



# City of Chickasha

## Operational Update

### Week of October 10, 2016

#### Public Works

##### Street Department Projects:

1. The Eastbound lane of Grand Blvd east of US 81 and the Westbound left turn bay east of US 81 for no more than 24 hours starting the morning of Tuesday, 10/18/16 to complete partial removing of the concrete median.
2. (Reminder) 1<sup>st</sup> Street, between Colorado and Iowa, will be closed for a month starting Friday
3. 16<sup>th</sup> Street near cottonwood drive will be partially closed starting on Tuesday and will be partially closed for 1.5 weeks.

There is a link attached from USW on reporting and updates. The file is too large to attach in a pdf.

#### Police

Lieutenant Traye Alexander has been transferred from his position as shift commander on a road patrol shift, to the Neighborhood Services Division Commander. As such he will oversee the operations of Animal Control and Code Enforcement.



Animal Control Officer Layce Graham received a Letter of Recognition from Chief Stewart Steele on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.

Animal Control Officer Layce Graham began the Animal Control Academy August 1, 2016. During her last week of the academy her co-worker suffered an on the job injury and has not yet returned. For the next 46 days straight, ACO Graham worked all of her normally assigned shifts; worked her days off to

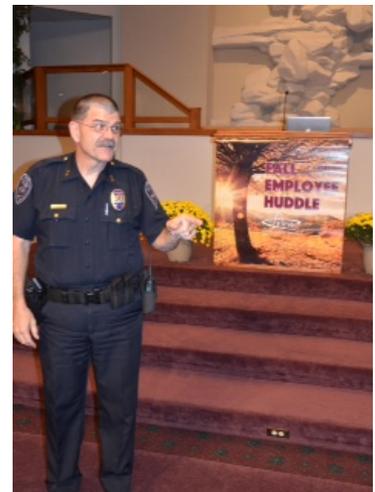
ensure all animals were fed, watered and properly cared for; responded to all required after hour calls, continued to coordinate animal rescue efforts with other states, transported animals for medical care, investigated criminal and ordinance violations and testified in court. ACO Graham did all that was required of her AND more! ACO Graham continued to serve her

profession and the City with honor and character with a smile on her face, never complaining! Chief Stewart Steele is pictured presenting her with her Letter of Recognition. Several members of the CPD and other City employees were on hand to congratulate her.



The Chickasha Animal Shelter and members of C.A.R.T. participated in the Atwood's Hot Dog Day on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. Atwood's donates their facility, time and many of the fixings to allow non-profit groups to earn money toward good causes. The Shelter and C.A.R.T. were specifically invited to this event by Atwood's Manager, Sheila Stegall.

Thanks to everyone's efforts a total of \$333.72 was raised and will be used to off-set costs associated with vetting and sending animals to a good rescue home. Pictured above are ACO Layce Graham; Co-Founder of C.A.R.T., Kelly McGill; Kennel Worker Anne Steninger and Jess Graham.



On Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> First National Bank held their annual bank wide training: The FNB Fall Employee Huddle. Candace Jones and Jo Perryman of FNB asked Assistance Chief Music to address the group on Active Shooter events and planning methods of keeping their employees safe during an incident. Over 150 employees were in attendance.

## Fire

Fire will start back on its ongoing inspections of commercial businesses. CFD is also going out to the public schools to remind students of fire safety for fire safety awareness month. Chief and his staff are readying paperwork for the ISO inspection occurring Thursday, October, 20<sup>th</sup>.



There have been some fun events going on at the Library recently and there's more to come. Last Friday night was Teddy Bear Sleepover at the Library. 10 children left their precious stuffed friends to spend the night at the Library, that's not an easy thing to do. See pictures of what the stuffed friends did after the children went home. We did not include pictures of the children because we did not have photo permission for all of them.

In addition to stuffed animals a Youth Sewing event was held last Saturday with 10 children in attendance. Thank you **Council Member Phylis Steelman** for helping and agreeing to help with the next one. Also the adult trivia event held this week was all about Harry Potter. The grand prize was a drawing of a quidditch ball by staff member Michelle Skinner. The winner was Gina Bruner. It's time for the Friends of the Library's Fall **Used Book Sale** Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. Thurs. 4:30-8pm for Friends Members; Fri. 10-7; Sat. 10-3; Sun. 1-3.

There are numerous events coming up such as a World War I presentation on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm and a Genealogy Workshop on Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm.

### Community Development

There are a number of developments at various stages of the process. The color coded stages are represented by: Green – completed; Red – Halted; Yellow – In process; and Gray – Incomplete. The stages of the development are above the identified project.



Chickasha Travel Plaza – 2200 W Highway 62 – Building framing continues.



Bordwine Development @ 4322 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street – West addition finishing up.



Reese Home Sales Office – 1105 W. Choctaw – Lacking parking lot striping and landscaping. No activity this week.



Grady County Fairgrounds Indoor Arena – First panel of roofing installation has been installed. New electrician contractors are in place.



Chisholm Trail Phase 1 retail area 200 E. Grand – Transformer being set to allow for tenant occupation.



Chisholm Trail Phase 2 retail area 2121 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street – Building entering final stages for tenant finishes



New restaurant (Legends) – 3525 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street- No movement. Awaiting fire line installation.



Cotton Patch Café – 2135 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street – Permit ready to be picked up



Ice House – 521 Grand – No movement



Bank of Commerce – 2401 Ponderosa Drive – Foundation poured



First Baptist Church – 324 W. Colorado Avenue – First wall framing up and electrical and mechanical



Bouncin' Around – 2409 Ponderosa – Ready for occupation after a few inspections



Best Western Plus – 400 S. Grand – Architecture under review



## Grady Memorial Hospital Expansion – Mtg held this week



## Taco Bueno – 2121 4<sup>th</sup> Street – Plumbing and electric started; Insulation installed



Fairfield Inn – 2816 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street – Project has been reactivated. Site plans reviewed and comments sent to architect and engineer.

## Airport



The Chickasha Municipal Airport has reached quite a milestone...75 years! On Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm, the Airport welcomed its neighbors to celebrate Airport Neighbor's Day. This is just one of the many ways that the Airport reaches out to the neighbors in the area. It also provided an opportunity for Airport staff to let individuals know of some of the upgrades to the Airport

that have been made and will be made in the near future.



## Tourism



Next week will Main Street's "Sip and Stroll" in October. This event is from 5 to 7 pm on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Come out and enjoy cider samples while eating, shopping and enjoying Downtown Chickasha.

Reding Farms features live music performances every weekend. This agri-tourism event brings in over 8,000 people, with the majority traveling from out of town to our City during the month of October and

the first half of November.

Also, several Church groups are having Fall Festivals the weekend of the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Neewollah will be on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5 pm to 7 pm in Downtown Chickasha.