



**Meeting October 8, 2013
City Manager's Staff Meeting Notes**

City Staff met with residents at City Hall on October 8, 2013 at 8:30 AM with the following persons present:

Larry Graves
Tommy Lemond
Pat Stallings
Patrick Harvey
Jim Berman
Amy Meyers
Cindy Brown
Dara Crabtree
Marty Anderson

Additional City Staff present:

Cindy Kintz, Chris Ryan, Phil DeChant, Robbyn DeVore, and Chris Caballero

Larry Graves, City Manager apprised the Directors of the following upcoming events:

Monday, October 14, 2013 Columbus Day Observed
Monday, October 21, 2013 City Council Meeting
Thursday, October 31, 2013 Chili Cook-Off at City Hall
Tuesday, November 5, 2013 Election Day
Tuesday, November 12, 2013 City Staff Meeting

Updates:

Cindy Brown shared that workers will be present from 7:00AM to 6:00PM daily at the Ace Hardware project site along with Ladis Barr. Cindy Brown advised that employees should be receiving their health insurance cards from Aetna by the end of the week and temporary cards may be downloaded at Aetna.com.

Robbyn DeVore stated that the City's Facebook page had 844 likes last month and visitors to the site really like the pictures of the parade that are posted. Robbyn DeVore advised that the street dance was quite a success and there were 15 food vendors participating.

Jim Berman advised that the Cain Street water tower rehabilitation is in progress. Jim Berman shared that he is currently working with Dallas County to get the paperwork for the Farmers Road/Simonds Road rehabilitation.

Phil DeChant stated that they are starting to lay pipe at the Ace Hardware project.

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Chris Ryan advised that there have been a lot of water main breaks recently and where they normally have an average of 40 main breaks a year, they repaired 9 main breaks from Thursday to Sunday.

Liz Gant stated that the annual employee Chili cook-off will be held on Thursday, October 31, 2013 at City Hall. Liz Gant advised that she is currently planning the Arbor Day activities for Saturday, November 2, 2013 and she has been told that there will be 700 trees donated and the Boy Scouts will conduct the honor color guard ceremony.

Patrick Harvey shared that Janice Body is leaving the City after 8 years of service to work for Dallas County.

Tommy Lemond stated that the Fire Department is conducting fire safety puppet shows at all three elementary school this week. Larry Graves interjected that Tommy Lemond will be retiring from the City this year after 34 years of service and there will be a reception held on December 19, 2013.

Pat Stallings presented the UCR part one crime stats for the month of September.

Amy Meyers shared that St. Ives has contacted her about the 13 acres behind Walgreens in regard to possibly constructing a 30,000 square foot shell.

Cindy Kintz stated that the next P&Z Committee meeting will be Tuesday, October 22, 2013 and there will be a joint P&Z and Board of Adjustments meeting on Thursday, October 24, 2013. Cindy Kintz shared information about permits issued and various projects around town.

Chris Caballero advised that since the last meeting he has completed 23 work orders, 21 of which were building maintenance and 2 were janitorial.

Blanche Gattis expressed concern about parking on both sides of the streets in some of the older areas and she wondered if there was an ordinance about that. Larry Graves stated that there would be signs up if there was an ordinance. Blanche Gattis asked when Smith Lane will be repaired. Larry Graves advised that Jim Berman has that on his list as funding permits.