



THE CITY OF DURANT

City Department Updates 2/10/2023

City Clerk/Cemetery Administration

- A dumpster has been placed in front of the cemetery maintenance building as a courtesy for visitors to place old flowers or deteriorated grave decorations. Visitors are respectfully requested not to place these items on the roadside within the cemetery

Community Development

- A Municipal Planning Commission meeting was held in January where three cases were heard. There were two rezoning cases and a final plat case, all of which were recommended for approval and were heard at the regular City Council meeting in January. For the February Planning Commission meeting, there are no items on the agenda. Several cases are in various stages of being prepared for Planning Commission and City Council.

Economic Development

- The Retail Strategies-Conversations continue with Retail Strategies on recruitment of national retail and restaurant chains. Appropriate sites available for development continue to be a topic of discussion.

Emergency Management

- The radar installation has been delayed again from the January date until February 15th, 2023. The radar is built and the installation crews are available. The steel platform for the radome, which will sit atop the water tower, has been delayed several times. This was outsourced by Barron. All components supplied directly from Barron are completed and waiting in their warehouse for installation.

Fire Department

- Services Performed in January – three permits issued, 16 inspections, five plan reviews, three smoke alarms installed, one fire investigation, zero pre-fire plans

Donald W. Reynolds Library

- Attendance monthly total (library stats only, no community center): 3,207
- Library was open 22.5 days in December.
- Average daily attendance: 146
- Circulation monthly (physical units): 3,534

Neighborhood Services

- 131 inspections performed, 234 code enforcements, 77 animal control responses.

Parks and Recreation

- Met with Oliphant Golf Company about turning the old country club back into a golf course. To continue with their help they need to come out and look at the property it will run around \$3000 to get their evaluation.

Street Department

- Asphalt was added to the streets that were reported though the Public Works Admin office and were completed in order by severity.
- Street sweeping has been done daily and on an “as-needed basis.” Street sweeping is done starting on Monday, beginning with the north side of town and the driver works his way to the north side by week's end. Also being sure to address any streets that have been called in or reported online as needing attention.
- Traffic signal maintenance was completed on streets throughout the town.
- During the month of January an estimated 500 potholes were filled with asphalt to ensure there would be no further damage to the roads and to make sure our roads were safe and in compliance with our city standards.
- 125 street cuts were repaired with asphalt after M&O completed fixing water leaks throughout the city.
- 10 tons of chips and 300 pounds of salt were put on the roads during the snow storm.

To view the packet in its entirety, visit www.durant.org/129/Agendas-Minutes