



# Lucas City Newsletter

**October 2012**

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## THOUGHTS FROM THE MAYOR

If you've driven by the new Wal-Mart location on the corner of W. Lucas Rd. and FM 2551 (Angel Parkway) by now you have likely noticed that the exterior of the building is nearly complete. As I have been out and about in both Lucas and Allen, I have heard it often repeated that the grand opening date will be "Black Friday", the manic shopping day after Thanksgiving. For those who might be excited about this prospect, don't make your shopping plans quite yet! There is no truth to this rumor. Although the Wal-Mart building contractors are certainly ahead of schedule, there are other issues that would prevent this from happening. Although construction of the new gravity sewer line has begun, there is no way it will be complete by late November. It has been the estimation all along of an opening in first quarter of 2013, and this still appears to be a reasonable timetable.

I have also heard rumors out in the community of another big box store being planned along FM2551 just to the north of the Wal-Mart. The City has heard absolutely nothing from the land owners/developers about any plans of this nature. At this time, we simply do not know what future commercial developments will be proposed in this area. Whatever they might be, you may be assured they will have to be in compliance with our zoning restrictions and comprehensive plan. If at any time you hear one of these rumors about future plans and want more information, feel free to contact our City staff, or any member of your City Council.

On another note, it is almost time for our annual Founder's Day Celebration. I hope all of you will plan to attend, and perhaps even volunteer to help with this fun event. We have a wonderful new playground at the City park for all the kids, and I know this will be a great addition to our usual fun attractions, such as bounce houses and our Stick Horse Rodeo.

### NEW TRASH RATES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2012

**Basic Service - \$ 17.00**

**Expanded Service - \$ 19.45**

**Expanded Plus Service - \$ 25.50**

**All meetings begin at 7:00 PM unless otherwise specified.**

City Council

Thursday, Oct 4

Fire Department Open House

Sunday, Oct 7, 1-4 PM

Planning & Zoning Commission

Thursday, Oct 11

Chili Cook Off

Sunday, Oct 14(see page 2 )

City Council

Thursday, Oct 18

Municipal Court

Wednesday, Oct 24, 3:30 PM

Founder's Day

Saturday, Oct 27

**Chili Cook-Off  
(Benefiting Lucas Volunteer Fire Department)  
Hosted by Faith Fellowship**

Sunday, October 14th 4:30-7:00pm  
Held at Faith Fellowship Church, 415 W. Lucas Road  
Admission: Donations to benefit LVFD

We want to thank our Volunteer Firefighters for all they do for us! All proceeds will go to the Lucas Volunteer Fire Department! This is a fun community event for the whole family with chili tasting, food & kids games!! If you are interested in entering the Cook-Off there is a entry fee of \$10, please contact Luke Crain at [luke@faithfellowshiplucas.org](mailto:luke@faithfellowshiplucas.org) by Monday, October 8th.

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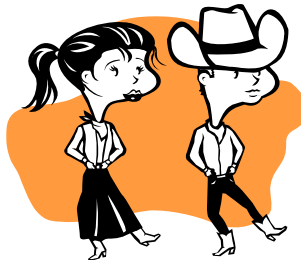
**Lucas Fire Department to host  
Open House**

You are invited to attend the Lucas Fire Department's 2nd Annual Open House on Sunday, October 7, 2012 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm at the Lucas Fire Station, located at 165 Country Club Rd. Lucas, Texas 75002. Do you know what to do when severe weather threatens Lucas? How to prepare yourself, your family and pets for a disaster? Who to call if you have a medical or fire emergency? We will have representatives from the National Weather Service, Careflite, East Texas, Collin County Sheriff, Lucas CERT and Fire Department to help you answer these and other questions you might have. There will be activities and fun for kids and adults.

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**GOOD SHEPHERD UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH ARTS & CRAFTS BAZAAR**

Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 - Why go to Canton when you can get it locally? Please join us on Saturday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-3 at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 750 W. Lucas Rd. in Lucas, TX. We will have arts, crafts, a bake sale, hourly raffles, and more! If you are interested in selling your arts and crafts at our bazaar, booth rental is \$20 for an indoor 10x10 space and \$15.00 for outside. Email [teri-tracey@sbcglobal.net](mailto:teri-tracey@sbcglobal.net) for an entry form/additional info or call the church at 972-727-3639. We look forward to seeing you!



**Founder's Day Volunteers  
Needed**

Save the date, October 27, 2012, is the next City of Lucas Founder's Day Event.

We need volunteers to help with this event; such as chefs, local musicians, bands, and bounce house attendants. We also need donated stick horses for the Stick Horse Rodeo. Contact Councilmember Steve Duke for information at 469-235-7240 or email [sduke@lucastexas.us](mailto:sduke@lucastexas.us).

If you would like to have a float, ride your horse, march, drive your classic car, or any other fun participation, contact Councilmember Steve Duke.



Lots of fun for everyone, hope to see you there!

**Volunteers Needed**

The October 15th deadline is approaching to submit an application to serve on the various boards, commissions and advisory committees. Nominations and appointments will be made October 18th to begin service November 1st. If you would like to volunteer please complete a volunteer application and mail to ATTN: City Secretary, 665 Country Club, Lucas, TX, 75002 or email to [kwingo@lucastexas.us](mailto:kwingo@lucastexas.us) or fax to 972-727-0091.

An application can be found on the City's website:

[http://www.lucastexas.us/objects/Volunteer\\_Application-1.pdf](http://www.lucastexas.us/objects/Volunteer_Application-1.pdf)

Volunteer positions open:

Planning & Zoning Commission: one (1) full voting member and two (2) alternates.

Parks & Open Space Board: two (2) full voting members and one (1) alternate.

Board of Adjustments: two (2) full voting members and one (1) alternate.

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## September Actions from City Council

- \* Approved the preliminary plat of Belmont Park, a parcel of land being 43.634 ± acres, ABS A0538 Jas Lovelady Survey, Tract 48, for applicant Rudy Rivas on behalf of M. Christopher Investments. This parcel is 1300' West of Stinson Road and 2650' South of Lucas Road or more commonly known as Rockland Farms Phase III and/or Stinson Crossing.
- \* Approved **Ordinance # 2012-09-00735** of the City of Lucas, Texas, adopting the budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2012 and ending September 30, 2013; for said fiscal year shall be made in accordance with said budget; appropriating and setting aside the necessary funds out of the general and other revenues for said fiscal year for the maintenance and operation of the various departments and for various activities and improvements of the city; providing a repealing clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.

Approved **Ordinance # 2012-09-00736** of the City of Lucas, Texas, levying Ad Valorem Taxes for the Tax Year 2012 at a rate of \$0.374177 per one hundred dollars (\$100) assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City of Lucas as of January 1, 2012, to provide revenue for the payment of current expenses; providing for due and delinquent dates together with penalties and interest; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date.



**Frank Hamlin**

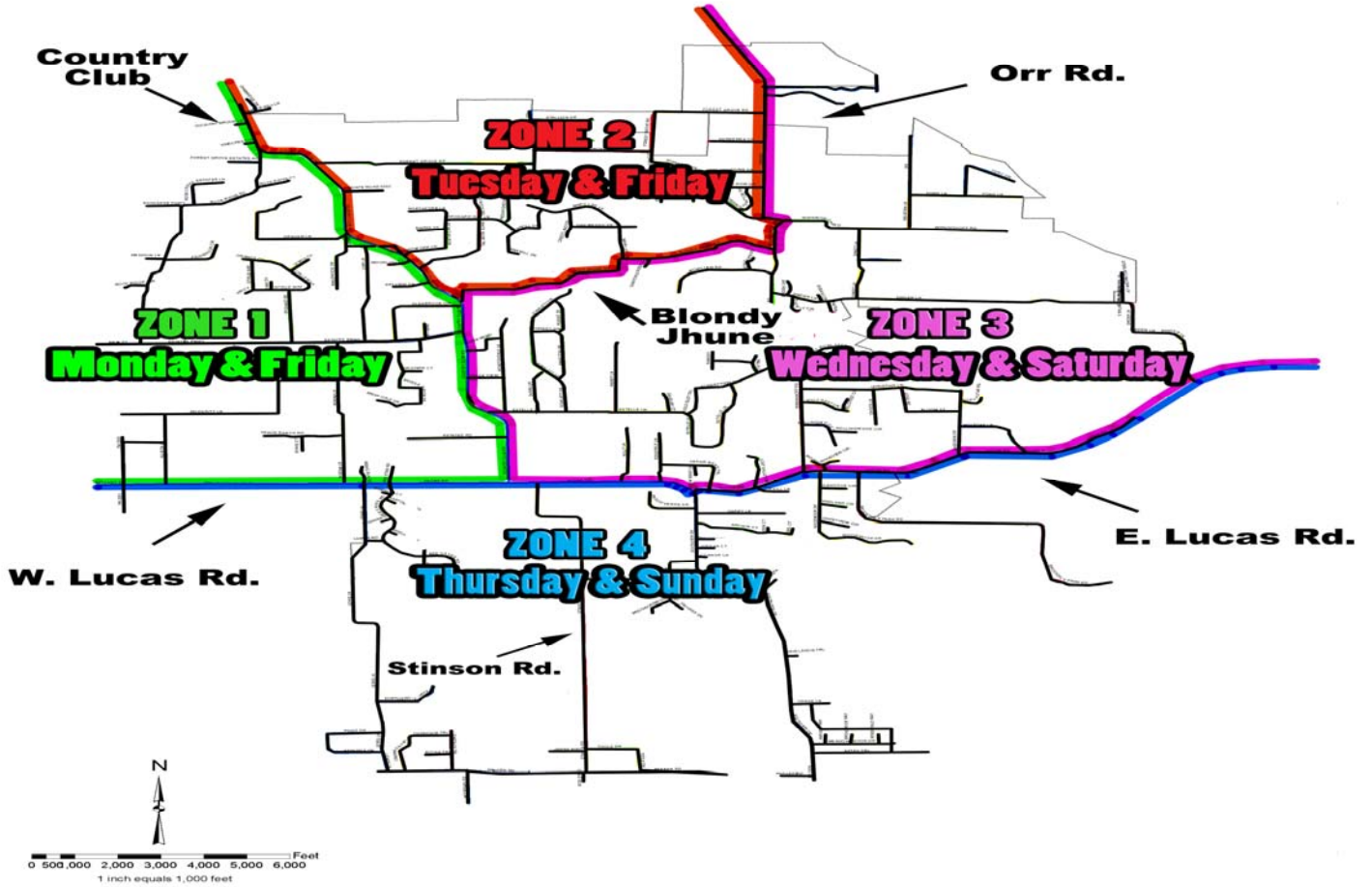
On Tuesday, September 18, 2012, Lucas Volunteer Fire Department lost their founding member and first Fire Chief, Frank Hamlin. The Lucas Volunteer Fire Department was founded by Frank Hamlin in 1973. He served as Fire Chief from 1973 to 1988. In June 2003, the Lucas Volunteer Fire Department celebrated their 30 year anniversary and honored their first Fire Chief by naming the station, "The Frank Hamlin Fire Station". A plaque was dedicated in his honor and is exhibited at the Lucas Volunteer Fire Department to serve as a reminder of his dedication and leadership to the Lucas firefighters and to the citizens of Lucas.



October 9, 2012 is the deadline to register to vote in the November 6, 2012 General and Special Elections.



# Stage 2 ~ Water Restrictions Effective June 1, 2012



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