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Lucas City Newsletter

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

City Council Regular
Thursday, Oct 3

Planning & Zoning Commission

Thursday, Oct 10

Municipal Court
Wednesday, Oct 16, 3:30 p.m.

City Council

Thursday, Oct 17

Founder's Day

Saturday, Oct 26





THOUGHTS FROM THE MAYOR

City Manager Jeff Jenkins tendered his resignation as City Manager at the September 19th City Council Meeting. I know you will all join me and my fellow Councilmembers in wishing Jeff well, and thanking him for his past service to the City of Lucas.

City Secretary Kathy Wingo was appointed interim City Manager during this meeting. Kathy has done an admirable job in coordinating the efforts of our outstanding City staff during this transition period.

We have now hired Dan Savage as our Interim City Manager. You may recall that Dan served in this capacity in 2011 while we went through the process of hiring a new City Manager after the resignation of Robert Patrick. Dan did an outstanding job for us, and we are very fortunate to be able to use his services again.

Dan has had a long career in municipal service, including serving as City Manager of both Duncanville and The Colony. Prior to his retirement in 2009, Dan served for 12 years as the Assistant Administrator of Dallas County. In his retirement, Dan has served several cities as Interim Manager for those going through the search process for new managers. He most recently completed a stint with Sunnyvale earlier this year in this capacity.

During his tenure at Dallas County, Dan was heavily involved in a number of construction and capital improvement projects. Upon his retirement he was lauded by County Commissioners for his ability to work with people, and his commitment to excellence. As we continue to work on the plans for our fire station improvement and expansion Dan's background and experience will be a valuable asset.

We have begun the process of recruiting candidates for the permanent position of City Manager, and will continue to work hard at finding the best possible candidate.

We welcome Dan back, and know you will all enjoy working with him during this transition period.

City Council Actions for September

- * Approved financing the Fire Department equipment in the amount of \$375,000 using American National Bank at an interest rate of 2.29% and Exhibit B option # 1 and authorize the City Attorney to draft an agreement.
- * Approved an application request by Bank of America for site plan approval. The property to be considered is known as Lot 2, Block A of the Wal-Mart Lucas Addition, located at the northeast corner of W. Lucas Road and Angel Parkway intersection.
- * Approved the landscape plan for Bank of America, Lot 2, Block A of the Wal-Mart Lucas Addition, located at the northeast corner of W. Lucas Road and Angel Parkway intersection.
- * Approved the preliminary plat of a portion of the first phase for Inspiration Development, formerly known as the Hanover Property and Huffine Development. The parcels are part of the Leroy Farmer Survey ABS 334, Mark Morris Survey ABS 561, and Orpha Shelby Survey ABS 799.
- * Approved the preliminary plat for Ella Brooke Estates, Lots 1-3, Block A, being 8.823 acres situated in the James Grayum Survey, Abstract No. 354, City of Lucas, Collin County, Texas.
- * Approved the contract between the City of Lucas and Questcare Medical Services, P.A. for medical supervision of EMS activities, upon review and approval by the City Attorney and authorize the City Manager to execute said contract.
- * Approved a 3% pay raise to the City Secretary effective October 1, 2013.
- * Approved an agreement between the City of Lucas and Collin County Elections Administration for election services concerning the November 5, 2013 Special Election.
- * Approved **Ordinance # 2013-09-00763** 3R Properties. LC annexation.
- * Approved **Ordinance # 2013-09-00764** Stevens annexation.
- * Approved **Ordinance # 2013-09-00765** Stinson Highlands II annexation.
- * Approved Ordinance # 2013-09-00767 adopting the Budget for FY 2013-2014.
- * Approved Ordinance # 2013-09-00766 adopting Ad Valorem Taxes for the Tax Year 2013, \$0.355616 per \$100.
- * Approved an agreement between the City of Lucas and Collin County concerning the improvements of West Lucas Road from FM 2551 to FM 1378.

Recycle Containers being removed As of October 1, 2013

On August 15th the City Council approved the termination of the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lucas and Collin County for Recycling Roll-Off Container.

Effective October 1, 2013 the Recycling Roll-Off Containers will no longer be located behind the old city hall, 151 Country Club.

There are recycling containers located in Branch or you may contact Barnes Waste Disposal for curbside recycling.





Volunteer Applications Now Being Accepted until October 15th

The City of Lucas' City Council is now accepting volunteer applications to serve on the Planning & Zoning Commission, 4 full member positions; Parks & Open Space Board, 3 full member & 2 alternate member positions; and the Board of Adjustments, 3 full member positions.

Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 15th. Anyone interested in serving on one of the aforementioned boards or commission may contact the City Secretary's Office at 972-727-8999 to obtain a volunteer application or go onto the city's website and complete the online form.

https://tx-lucas.civicplus.com/FormCenter/Volunteer-Applications-3/City-of-Lucas-Board--Commission-Voluntee-37



City of Lucas' Special Election Tuesday, November 5, 2013

The City of Lucas is holding a Special Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2013, to vote on whether or not to allow

for the sale of beer and wine for off-premise consumption.

Early voting begins on Monday, October 21, 2013 and continues through Friday, November 1st. Early Voting polling location will be held at Lucas City Hall during the period of Monday, October 28th—Friday, November 1st.

A voter will be required to show one of the following forms of photo identification at the polling locations before the voter will be permitted to cast a vote:

- Texas driver license issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Election Identification Certificate issued by DPS
- * Texas personal identification card issued by DPS
- * Texas concealed handgun license issued by DPS
- * United States identification card containing the person's photograph
- United States citizenship certificate containing the person's photograph
- United States passport

With the exception of the U.S. citizenship certificate, the identification must be current or have expired no more than 60 days before being presented at the polling place.

Election identification certificates are now available only for voters who do not already have a required form of photo identification. There is no fee for the certificate. Information on how to obtain an election identification certificate can be found at www.dps.texas.gov. You may also contact DPS by telephone at (512) 424-2600.

Hoops Barry Farm

On the north end of Lucas sits a small farm. Nothing special about this farm to anyone except the people who own it.

What makes it special to them is the fact that it has been in their family for 103 years.

The farm was bought in 1910 by Joseph J. Hoops. The following year he sold it to his sister and brother-in-law, Andrew and Martha (Hoops) Barry.

In 1952, half of the farm (56 acres) was given to their son Thomas (Tom) and his wife Annie. The remainder was later sold.

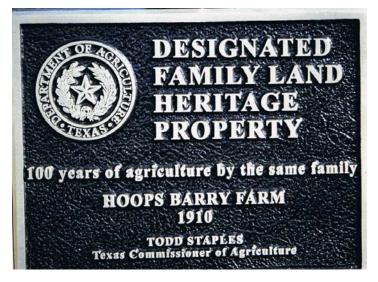
Tom and Annie Barry had three daughters who later inherited the farm.

Patty Davidson, a present day owner, was given her portion by her mother, Mildred (Micky) Barry. Ruby deeded her portion to a daughter, Jan Fowler and son Wallace Scalf, Jr. The third daughter, Marie, later sold hers.

Last year the family was honored in Austin by Todd Staples, of the Texas Department of Agriculture, with a luncheon and an awards ceremony honoring the Hoops Barry Farm along with others across Texas for their commitment to Texas agriculture.

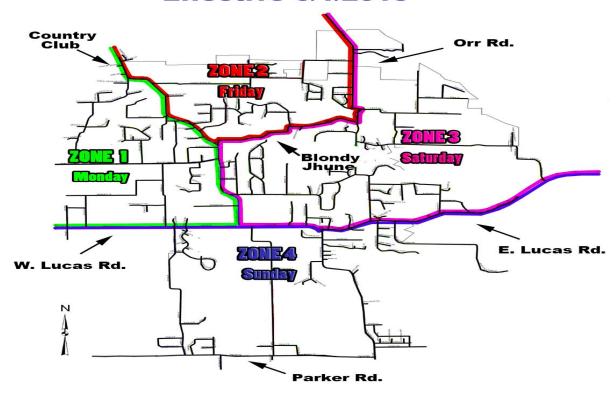
A plaque has been placed in front of the Fowler home designating the farm as a Family Land Heritage Property.

At present there have been six generations to live on the farm.





Stage 3 ~ Water Restrictions Effective 6/1/2013



Customers are permitted to water the lawn once per week, beginning June 1, 2013. The approved days for each zone are shown above.

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