



City of New Fairview  
Operational Update  
Week of March 30, 2020

**Operations** –Jamie Wisdom, our Public Works Contractor, investigated the City’s well house. It is in bad shape and probably explains why the water quality at City Hall is so poor. I have contacted Wall Engineering to come and make an assessment of the situation. I will most likely be recommending the construction of a new well house and the demolition of the current one. We need to remember that at some point we will have to staff the Fire Station and poor quality water is not an option. All the information will be brought to Council before any final decision is made. I am sharing some photos below.





Duct tape and baling wire.



The water system uses hydrogen peroxide as a sanitizer.



The building will also most likely need to be replaced as part of the project.

Jamie also installed the boot cleaner and a new flag pole outside City Hall.



In addition, quite a bit of mowing was completed around the facilities. We will not be writing ourselves any code violations this week!

Pothole patching slowed down at the beginning of the week due to rain and much-needed repairs to the City pickup truck. The truck was back in service Thursday and Jamie used the dry day to work on more potholes on and around Hilltop.

**Administration** – The agenda was placed on the City’s website on Friday morning for citizens to download, so they will have the same materials as City Council ahead of time. All members of the City’s email list were contacted and provided instructions for the Zoom virtual meeting set for April 6 at 7:00 PM. In addition, the form for speaking before Council can now be completed online and sent

directly to City staff. It does not need to be filled out, scanned and sent in. Thank you, Brooke for the huge improvement.

We have acquired additional microphones for all Council members and this should improve the audio feed significantly.

On April 20 we will bring forward agenda items to procure a website company to upgrade the look and feel of the City's website and make it more user friendly and intuitive. We will also bring forward an item to hire a company to digitize our code of ordinances to make it easier to find and search city ordinances.

I have been in contact with BNSF Railroad regarding the railroad crossing on FM 407. They sent a maintenance crew to investigate the situation. They concluded that the crossing was in good shape but the road leading up to the crossing is the problem. They informed TxDOT about the situation. I was contacted by TxDOT on Thursday that they would send a crew to evaluate the situation and advise me of the recommended repairs. I will let you know as soon as I hear back from them.

**Upcoming Meetings**

April 6, 2020	7:00 PM	Regular City Council Meeting
April 20, 2020	7:00 PM	Special City Council Meeting
May 4, 2020	7:00 PM	Regular City Council Meeting