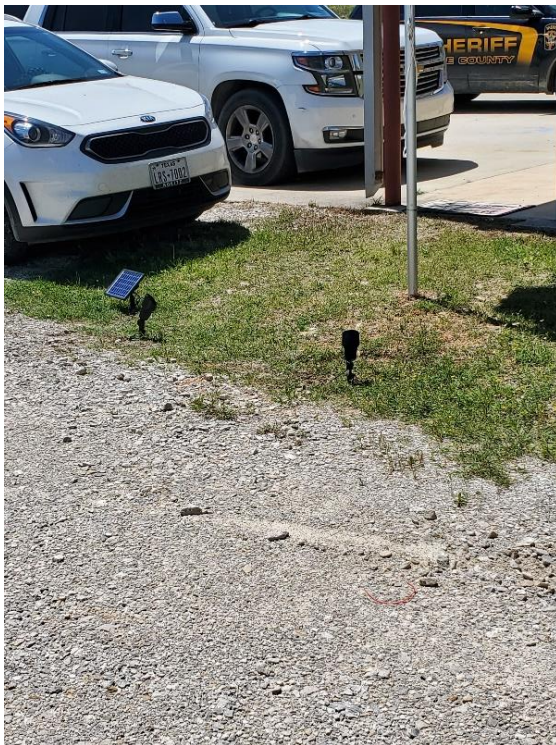City of New Fairview
Operational Update
Week of April 13, 2020

<u>Operations</u> –Jamie Wisdom, our Public Works Contractor, completed mowing around the complex. He has installed solar-powered lights on the flag pole and has started to finish cleaning up behind the buildings.

Jamie also perfomed pothole patching on Branding Iron using a significant amount of our latest load of patch. The patches that were done on Hilltop were inspected after the weekend of rain and they seem to be holding very well.

Administration – We have been working to make next week's Council meeting work better via the internet. We have identified and tested participants using their cellphone for the audio part of the meeting. This method works much better. Brooke has posted instruction on the City's website and Facebook page on how to use your phone for the next virtual meeting. Instructions are available for iPhones and Androids. We have also included information directly on the agenda for logging into the meeting.

Omar Otero installed a new PDX telephone system at City Hall this week. This will allow for more than one person to be on the phone at one time. It will also allow for conference calling, voice mail and other features in a standard business phone system.

I had a meeting with two police chiefs about how to create a police department from scracth. This will be part of the discussion on May 16 at our planning retreat when we discuss a five-year financial plan. I also had a two-hour conversation about establishing an economic development program with Craig Rotter, Executive Director of the Texas Rural Leadership Program, part of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. He is sharing information from that meeting with some of his colleagues and we will have a future conversation on how we go about establishing that.

Upcoming Meetings

April 20, 2020	7:00 PM	Special City Council Meeting
May 4, 2020	7:00 PM	Regular City Council Meeting
May 16, 2020	9:00 AM	City Council Strategic Planning Retreat
May 17, 2020	7:00 PM	Special City Council Meeting