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NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

JANUARY, 2015

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED THE FOLLOWING DATE:



PRESIDENT'S DAY Monday February 16, 2015

Remember, NO trash will be picked up on the days City Hall will be closed. For those whose normal trash day is

Monday - there will be a CURBSIDE ONLY pickup on Wednesday, February 18.

**City of Warr Acres
Two Years Progress Report**

During the past two years your city council has accomplished numerous projects that have improved the safety and well-being of the citizens, businesses, our school children, and the city employees.

Warr Acres is a community which relies heavily on sales tax revenue to help pay for city services, street improvements, and sewer line repairs. Warr Acres has been blessed with a wonderful business base, along with new businesses choosing to locate in our city during the past two years. The following are a few of the major projects which have been completed or will be completed this year.

1. Our grant writer for the past three years has obtained grants in the amount of \$425,000 matching funds for three major sewer repairs, and lift station modifications.

2. Safety for our school children is most important to your city council. Two simultaneous projects were completed last summer. 50th street was resurfaced from Meridian west to Bethany and the school zone safety project (\$383,000), which included new flasher poles, crosswalk striping, ADA ramps, and of course those center of the road flashers in all of our school zones.



A new sidewalk program (\$232,000) has been approved and will be installed this summer (2015). The sidewalk will be on the south side of 50th street and will stretch from Meridian west to MacArthur in front of PC high school and St. Charles Borromeo School.

Helpful Phone Numbers

City Hall	789-2892
Fax	787-5432
Police Department	789-3329
Fire Department	789-5912
Animal Control	789-9025
Municipal Court	495-3032
Inspections & Permits	789-2892
Sanitation Department	491-6474
Streets & Parks	787-1404
Sewer Department	491-6478
Community Center	789-9892
Putnam City Schools	495-5200

City Council Members

Mayor

Patrick Woolley 409-4944

Ward 1

Cathy Maxey
722-1045

Ward 3

Roger Godwin
464-0411

James Mickley
721-7959

Bill McClure
787-5374

Ward 2

Stephen Fuhrman
537-5415

Ward 4

Glen Lipinski
789-8640

Stewart Shapiro
721-8230

Donnie Ryan
831-6483

Storm Safety

HAVE A SAFETY PLAN:

- Have a safety plan for wherever you might be when a tornado strikes – School, work, church, home, shopping, etc.
 - Think through your plan in advance, since there may not be much time to act once the tornado is approaching you.
 - Practice your plan and be sure all family members know what to do.
- City offices are **LOCKED** during a **tornado warning**.

Recycling

Recycling dumpsters are available at Dorothy Cavener Park, in the area of NW 52nd and Hammond Avenue on the first Saturday(9-3) and Sunday (1-3) of each month. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed during inclement weather.

3. For the first time in many years the city has added \$50,000 of new playground equipment in Baker Park, just south of the police department. A second set of playground equipment will be placed in one of our other parks this summer.
4. After 4 years of hard work with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation; Association of Central Oklahoma Governments, and city staff, we will start construction of the 50th and MacArthur beautification project in a few months. The project will include MacArthur from 48th north to 51st, and include 50th street from Abel's west to Munger Paint. The project will include the following items:



- a. Replacement of entire asphalt street with concrete.
- b. Addition of a left turn lane at 49th street signal lights.
- c. Installation of brick sidewalks throughout the project. .
- d. Antique signal/sidewalk lights will be installed.
- e. Flower beds and trees along the sidewalks.
- f. Brick paver crosswalks at both 50th and 49th intersections.
- g. Warr Acres concrete bench style signs on three corners of the 50th and MacArthur intersection.

The 50th and MacArthur project will be the creation of a Warr Acres Town Center, along with the revitalization project to encourage additional businesses to locate in our Town Center.

COLD WEATHER SAFETY

The Centers for Disease Control offers the following tips for extreme cold weather temperatures:

SUPPLIES:

- Stock up on food that needs no cooking or refrigeration, such as bread, crackers, cereal, canned foods (don't forget a non-electric can opener!) and dried fruits. Remember baby food and formula if you have young children.
- Water stored in clean containers (5 gallons per person)
- Medicines that any family member may need.
- Blankets, matches, first aid kit, battery-powered clock or watch and extra batteries.
- Help seniors prepare by storing food in the event that travel becomes hazardous. Prepare for power outages with working flashlights.

NAVIGATION:

- Walking and driving in harsh weather can be dangerous for senior citizens. Special devices can make shoes grab onto icy sidewalks, while door mats help absorb ice, snow and water.
- During winter, keep your vehicle's gas tank near full to help avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines. Keep your vehicle equipped with blankets, booster cables, flashlight, extra batteries, and a windshield scraper.
- Never pour water on your windshield to remove ice or snow; shattering may occur.

INDOOR SAFETY:

- Use fireplace, wood stoves, or other combustion heaters ONLY if they are properly vented to the outside and do not leak flue gas into the indoor air space.
- Ensure adequate ventilation if you must use a kerosene heater.
- Do not place a space heater within 3 feet of anything that may catch on fire.
- Monitor body temperature. Infants less than one year old should NEVER sleep in a cold room because
 - 1) infants lose body heat more easily than adults; and unlike adults, infants can't make enough body heat by shivering.

OUTDOOR SAFETY:

- Dress warmly and stay dry.
- The outer layer of clothing should be tightly woven, preferably wind resistant, to reduce body-heat loss caused by wind.
- Wool, silk, or polypropylene inner layers of clothing will hold more body heat than cotton.

