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## NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

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### ANNUAL THREE-MONTH AVERAGE WATER USAGE

Every year the City of Warr Acres recalculates the next year's sewer rates based on a report from the Oklahoma City or Bethany Water Departments listing

a three-month average consumption of water usage for each residential property. This means that your sewer bill from May 2019 to April 2020 could have an increase, decrease, or your rate could remain the same depending on how much water consumption you had during December 2018, January and February 2019. These new rates will be reflected on your May 2019 bill, which will be sent out around the 20<sup>th</sup> of May.

If your May 2019 bill reflects a substantial increase, it may be because you had a water leak, a toilet or faucet that continually ran during those three (3) winter months. If you had a plumber repair one of these problems during these months, then you can bring in the plumbing repair bill to Warr Acres City Hall. Our utility billing clerk can recalculate your average water usage for a lower sewer rate. But you **MUST** have a plumbing repair invoice indicating the problem occurred during the months stated above in order for your sewer rate to be recalculated.

### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Mayor would like to personally invite all citizens to attend the Warr Acres City Council Meetings. City Council meetings are held in Warr Acres City Hall. The regular City Council meetings are every third Tuesday of the month and start at 6:00pm.

### IS YOUR CONTRACTOR LICENSED?



If you are having work done that requires a contractor (electrical, mechanical, plumbing) they **MUST** be licensed in Warr Acres. This will help ensure that your contractor has the required licensure/CEUs/insurance/etc. Contact the Licensing Clerk at City Hall to check to see if your contractor is licensed **before** work begins. Permits must also be purchased by the contractor for all work done within the City of Warr Acres.

### REGISTER YOUR STORM SHELTER

Storm shelters are a great way to protect your family and loved ones from the dangers of Oklahoma's unpredictable weather. While the shelter will protect them from the tornado and most debris, it may become a place where they become trapped because of debris piled on the shelter. Because of this possibility, we request that you register your storm shelter with the Police Department so that emergency crews can check to make sure you are safely out of your shelter once the danger has passed. You may obtain a form from City Hall or register online through the city website.



### **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**

<b>Mayor</b>	
Jim Mickley	409-4944
<b>Ward 1</b>	
Bo Broadwater	Roger Godwin
517-0289	464-0411
<b>Ward 2</b>	
Pat Woolley	John Knipp
740-7537	789-4690
<b>Ward 3</b>	
Kim Allsup	Glen Lipinski
205-0829	789-8640
Mitch Schmidt	Donnie Ryan
323-8933	831-6483

### **City Facebook Pages**

<b>Police Department:</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresPolice/">https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresPolice/</a>
<b>City Hall:</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresCityHall/">https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresCityHall/</a>
<b>Fire Department:</b>	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/Warr-Acres-Fire-Department-123632811077770/">https://www.facebook.com/Warr-Acres-Fire-Department-123632811077770/</a>

### **Recycling**

Recycling dumpsters are available at Dorothy Cavener Park, in the area of NW 52nd and Hammond Avenue on the first Saturday 8-12 and Sunday 1-3 of each month. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed during inclement weather. Warr Acres Recycle Committee 720-2949



## AMERICAN WATER RESOURCES

As a resident of Warr Acres, you may receive a letter or email from American Water Resources. This company offers programs that may help homeowners get coverage for broken or clogged water or sewer lines. Please be aware that these programs are not associated with the City of Warr Acres and the City is not promoting these programs.

### EXPLANATION OF FEES ON TRASH/SEWER BILL

**RA – CA** – Residential Ambulance and Commercial Ambulance Fee – Subsidy fee for Samaritan EMS

**RE – CE** – Residential EPA and Commercial EPA – EPA Federal mandate fee for storm water drainage.

**BKNG** – Any collection fee; hearing fee or return check fee.

**RS – CS** – Residential Sewer and Commercial Sewer – for the sanitary sewer system, usage and maintenance

**WF** – Waste Fee – Fee for solid waste removal.

**LM** – Line Maintenance – For the repair and maintenance of the sanitary sewer lines.

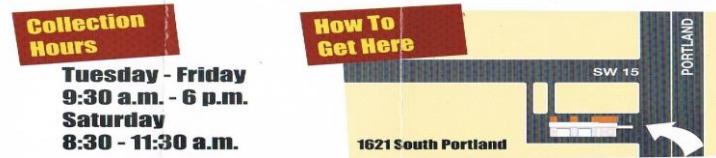
**RG – CG** – Residential Garbage and Commercial Garbage – for the pickup of refuse and operation of the sanitation department.

### **BIG TRASH ITEMS**

Please do not place big trash items out if it is not Big Trash Day; Warr Acres has Big Trash Day every 3 months for your convenience. The next Big Trash Dates will be in April and the wards/dates will be posted on the website, on your bill, Facebook and in the April newsletter.

### **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION is on 1621 SOUTH PORTLAND**

Residents with left over paint, stripper, drain cleaners, old batteries and other hazardous waste may load up these items and bring them to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility at 1621 South Portland and they can be contacted at 682-7038. The Center is free for residents of Warr Acres; however, you **must take a water bill or trash/sewer bill with you as proof of residency**.



### **SANITATION DEPARTMENT – ICE AND SNOW**

The sanitation department has always attempted to provide garbage service throughout the city regardless of the weather. When the city experiences ice storms, we must alter the way we gather the garbage for the safety of our workers. For the safety of our citizens, it is suggested that they hold their trash until the next scheduled pick up day.

When there is **ICE on the ground**, garbage **will not be picked up**. When there is **SNOW on the ground**, garbage **will be picked up CURBSIDE only**.



### **PEDDLER ALERT!**

The police department would like to remind residents to be wary of persons selling items door-to-door. Residents should be careful in purchasing from someone selling in this manner. **By City Ordinance, ANYONE selling items door to door MUST apply at City Hall.** They must show identification and be bonded by an insurance company. They must have a permit issued by City Hall to solicit. If they do not have a permit, contact the **police department**. Officers will check their permit status and can issue a citation or arrest the person.



### **"IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING"**

Be a good neighbor if you see suspicious persons or activity please don't hesitate to call 911. Many burglaries have been solved by neighbors calling in unusual activities in their neighborhood. The citizens can be our eyes and ears to assist us in apprehending persons from stealing from you and your neighbors. The police can arrive at the scene within a minute or two and determine if they have legitimate business in the area.

