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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 2020 to April 2021 could have an increase, decrease, or your rate could remain the same depending on how much water consumption you had during December 2019, January and February 2020. These new rates will be reflected on your May 2020 bill, which will be sent out around the 20<sup>th</sup> of May.

If your May 2020 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**

**Mayor**

Jim Mickley 409-4944

**Ward 1**

Jim Von Thaer  
615-7966

**Ward 3**

Roger Godwin  
464-0411

Pat Woolley  
740-7537

John Knipp  
789-4690

**Ward 2**

Kim Allsup  
205-0829

**Ward 4**

Glen Lipinski  
789-8640

Jon Evans  
520-5820

Donnie Ryan  
831-6483

**City Facebook Pages**

**Police Department:**

<https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresPolice/>

**City Hall:**

<https://www.facebook.com/WarrAcresCityHall/>

**Fire Department:**

<https://www.facebook.com/Warr-Acres-Fire-Department-123632811077770/>

**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

## **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.

### **TRASH SERVICE**

This is a reminder that per ordinances 8.08.040 and 8.08.070, all Warr Acres residents and businesses must have trash service with the City of Warr Acres.

### **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.



### **WHAT'S UP @ WARR ACRES LIBRARY**

Have you ever wanted to start a new business? Are you a small business owner looking to grow your business? SCORE Oklahoma City Chapter will be hosting a free three-week class covering the basics of organizing a business, monitoring the financials, and marketing to grow your business. Sign up at [tinyurl.com/WAscore](https://tinyurl.com/WAscore).

#### **Celebrate Black History Month at the Warr Acres Library!**

On Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup> at 2PM enjoy a presentation featuring live music and Oklahoma history with Cheryl Coleman and her Black Towns from Coast to Coast program.

#### **Coming up in March!**

March into the Library will be our Customer Appreciation Event happening throughout the month of March. Look for details on how to win prizes for bringing a friend to the library!

#### **What else can I do at the library?**

As always visit [metrolibrary.org/locations/warr-acres](https://metrolibrary.org/locations/warr-acres) for information on all of the free events happening at your library!

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Warr Acres Library

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