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NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

MAY, 2020

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED THE FOLLOWING DATE:



Monday, May 25, 2020 – Memorial Day

Remember, NO trash will be picked up on the days City Hall will be closed. For those whose normal trash day will be missed - there will be **CURBSIDE ONLY** pickups on:

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Please remember to bring your trash to the curb or it will not be picked up.

NEW YEARLY SEWER AVERAGES FOR RESIDENTIAL SEWER BEGIN ON THIS BILL

This is the first month that your new sewer average is reflected on your bill. Your sewer rates are calculated from your water usage we receive from Oklahoma City and Bethany Water Departments. Every year the Oklahoma City and the Bethany Water Departments forwards to the City of Warr Acres a three (3) months average consumption of water usage for each residential property for the winter months of December, January and February. These three months are used because they are the months with the least amount of water being used during the year. The City of Warr Acres then takes this three (3) months winter average and figures the next year's sewer rates. This means that your sewer bill starting this month through April 2021 may have an increase, decrease, or your rate may remain the same depending on how much water consumption you had during December 2019 and January and February 2020.

BULK TRASH DAY INFORMATION



The City of Warr Acres has bulk trash pickup every three (3) months; the next bulk trash day will take place in July. Your bulk trash day will be listed on your Warr Acres utility bill, the newsletter and on the city's Facebook page. You are permitted to put your bulk trash items out three (3) days prior to your big trash day There is a limit to how much trash you can

put out, and if you exceed this amount, you will be charged extra on your utility bill. The amount you can put out is eight (8) cubic yards, which is equal to what one can place in the back of 2 full size pickup beds. A base flat fee of thirty-five (35.00) dollars shall be made for the removal of the material up to and including the first cubic yard. Additional material may be included and removed at a charge of fifteen (15) dollars per cubic yard up to a maximum of forty 40 cubic yards (Ord. 1124, 2012)

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
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
740-7357

John Knipp
789-4690

Ward 2

Kim Allsup
205-0829

Ward 4

Glen Lipinski
789-8640

Jon Evans
520-5820

Donnie Ryan
831-6483

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 Ave. on the first full weekend of each month. Saturday 8-12 and Sunday 1-3. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed during inclement weather. Warr Acres Recycle Committee 720-2949.

ASK TO SEE ID WHEN SOMEONE COMES TO YOUR DOOR

claiming to be a representative of a utility company or repair service:

- 1) **DO NOT** volunteer any information about how many people are in the house. If they are there to burglarize, they will want to find out if you are the only one at home.
- 2) **ALWAYS** ask to see a badge. **ALL** OG&E employees have one. Contractors will not, but **ALWAYS CALL** OG&E at (405) 272-9741 to verify if they were sent by the utility company.
- 3) If you're truly uncomfortable, call the police at (405) 789-3329.



FREE OR LOW COST SPAY/NEUTER CLINICS

A compassionate society knows there is a better way to solve overpopulation than needlessly euthanizing unwanted animals. Below is list of low cost spay and neuter clinics. If you need specific information regarding a particular spay and neuter clinic, you'll need to contact them directly. Please call and make an appointment for your furry friend today.

Central OK Humane Society [405-947-7729](tel:405-947-7729)

Animal Wellness of OKC [405-896-2120](tel:405-896-2120)

Spay Way [405-414-8142](tel:405-414-8142)

Animal Birth Control Clinic [405-625-6574](tel:405-625-6574)



GRASS

According to City Ordinance, grass needs to be cut before it reaches 12 inches in height. If your grass is 12 inches or more in height, you are in violation of City Ordinance and may be subjected to corrective action or a fine. If you have a code violation to report, please report it to City Hall and it will be turned over to Code Enforcement.

E-PAY: PAY YOUR BILL ON THE WEBSITE

The City of Warr Acres offers E-Pay as a utility payment option.

You will need to enter a 5-digit **PIN NUMBER** when registering. This PIN NUMBER is located **ON YOUR UTILITY BILL** on the **top left**. To sign up, please go to our website: www.warracres-ok.gov and follow the instructions. You will no longer receive a paper utility bill and you will be charged a convenience fee that goes to the payment processing service. If you would still like to receive a paper bill, and you would like your utility payment drafted directly out of your account, you may sign up for direct billing authorization. The form to sign up is available in City Hall, please note that the direct billing authorization process takes up to two billing cycles before it kicks in.

KEEP POLLUTANTS FROM ENTERING STREAMS.

The excessive use of fertilizers, improper disposal of leaves and yard clippings, overuse of pesticides/herbicides and over-watering can result in the polluting of Oklahoma's streams, rivers and lakes.

The following yard care suggestions will minimize water pollution while keeping a healthy and attractive lawn:

- Keep leaves and grass out of streets, drainage ditches, storm drains and creeks
- Grass clippings can stay on the lawn. They are a natural fertilizer.
- Set blade higher on lawn mower. This reduces stress to the grass and helps develop a drought and pest resistant root system.
- Using too much fertilizer may affect water quality in your area. Nutrients from fertilizers –usually phosphates - enter rivers and streams and stimulate the growth of algae. Excessive algae growth reduces oxygen levels in lakes and ponds, thus killing fish and other aquatic life.
- Choose a fertilizer with a slow-release form of nitrogen to reduce the potential for leaching into groundwater.
- Do not apply fertilizer when heavy rain is forecasted.
- If you are trying to have a greener lawn during the summer, then use iron (chelated iron or ferrous sulfate) instead of nitrogen.
- Some insects help keep pests under natural control without causing harm to humans. Some of the **“good” bugs** include: Lady Beetle, Assassin Bug, Earwig, Green Lacewing, Big-Eyed Bug, Syrphid Fly

