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NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

FEBRUARY, 2023

Come celebrate 75 years with us!

We will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of Governor Roy Turner signing the papers declaring Warr Acres as a city. Monday, February 27th from 11-3 at city hall; 4301 N Ann Arbor. We will have cookies and punch, old photos and newspaper clippings!

From the Mayor

As the mayor of the City of Warr Acres, I would like to say I have enjoyed the opportunity to work for you and with you for the last several years. At the February meeting, I will step down and Roger Godwin will take the reins of the city as your new mayor. Please welcome him.

Over the last 3 terms we have accomplished a lot: we have passed the first bond issue since 1962 taking our city out of the 60's to the current century. We have a new fire station, a new police station and a new animal control building and have totally remodeled our city hall building. We have completed 2 million dollars in residential street improvements and we have widened MacArthur from 34th street to 49th street. We have money set aside waiting on federal funding to widen MacArthur from 63rd street to the Expressway.

We have passed 4 TIF districts to help our economic development growth, and increased our tax base. We have huge playground equipment upgrades coming in the next month or two, making all of our parks equal in equipment. We have 5 fantastic parks in a city 3 square miles and we have 3 new pickleball courts.

We have a new fire truck on its way. We have purchased multiple new police cars and trash vehicles. We survived covid and the worst ice storm our city has ever seen. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your mayor.

Helpful Phone Numbers

City Hall	405-789-2892
Fax	405-787-5432
Police Department	405-789-3329
Fire Department	405-789-5912
Animal Control	405-789-9025
Municipal Court	405-495-3032
Inspections & Permits	405-789-2892
Sanitation Department	405-491-6474
Streets & Parks	405-787-1404
Sewer Department	405-491-6478
Putnam City Schools	405-495-5200

City Council Members

Mayor

Jim Mickley 405-651-0070

Ward 1

Jim Von Thaar
405-615-7966

Ward 3

Roger Godwin
405-464-0411

Judy Myers
405-722-1324

John Knipp
405-789-4690

Ward 2

Mike Schmidt
405-323-8933

Ward 4

William Tucker
405-613-2723

Jon Evans
405-520-5820

Randy Prince
405-495-6499

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. **The Recycle center will be open first Saturday of the month only from 8:30am until 11:30am.** The Recycle Center is not open in January or July due to the weather. Closed during inclement weather.
Warr Acres Recycle Committee 405-720-2949

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 2023 to April 2024 could have an increase, decrease, or your rate could remain the same depending on how much water consumption you had during December 2022, January 2023 and February 2023. These new rates will be reflected on your May 2023 bill, which will be sent out around the 20th of May.

If your May 2023 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, bring 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.

EXPLANATION OF FEES ON TRASH/SEWER BILL

RA – CA – Residential Ambulance and Commercial Ambulance Fee – Commercial Sewer – for the sanitary Subsidy fee for Samaritan EMS maintenance

RS – CS – Residential Sewer and sewer system, usage and

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

WF – Waste Fee – Fee for solid

BKNG – Any collection fee; hearing fee or return check fee. repair and maintenance of the sanitary

LM – Line Maintenance – For the sewer lines.

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

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, except in very unusual circumstances with wind chills below zero we reserve the option of waiting until the next scheduled pickup.**

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.