

City of Cheney

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Cheney Chatter

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Administrator's Report by Randall Oliver

Like all cities in Kansas, Cheney will be formulating the 2016 budget in the next six weeks. State budget problems have placed uncertainty on the School and City budget. The City will hold a budget workshop on July 6 at 7pm at City Hall. We invite all to attend the workshop so we can hear your thoughts and ideas as we try to improve our community.

Undoubtedly, you have seen various construction projects taking place around town. Work north of town on the Albers Finishing and Solutions building is underway and should be completed by year's end. City crews are installing the water main and will be extending natural gas service to serve this industrial park. Our city engineer is currently working on plans to extend sewer service to serve the industrial park. The sewer extension project will go out for bids next month. At the same time, city crews are extending the water main south of town along Main St to service the new Baseball and Softball complex.

You will soon notice construction in town repairing 55,000 feet of sewer line. Most of the repair is done on the sewer lines that were installed in 1920. This process will install a new liner inside of the sewer main to extend its useful life. Work will be done in the alley and rear utility easements.

We at the City welcome your thoughts and ideas to improve our community. Feel free to call or stop by if we can be of assistance.



Important Notice:

Utility Extensions will no longer be allowed effective August 1st. All utility bills must be paid by the last day of the month or utilities will be shut off!

Fireworks

Individuals, who are at least 14 years old and under the age of 14 years old with adult supervision, may detonate fireworks:

July 1st- July 3rd- 10 am – 10 pm

July 4th- 10 am- midnight

-If inclement weather prevents the use and discharge of fireworks on July 4th, the Mayor may notify members of the public that the dates may be extended to July 5th.

-All **debris** from detonation of fireworks **shall be cleared** from yard and all adjacent public right-of-way.

-It is **unlawful** for any person to **discharge, ignite or fire any fireworks upon any public street, alley or avenue or in any park or public place** within the city or within the fire zone of the city.

Non-Emergency Phone Number to Report Fireworks Complaints: 316-290-1011

The line will be staffed July 3rd-4th from 6:30 pm-3:00 am. This line should be used to report fireworks complaints when nothing is on fire and nobody is injured, loud parties and general noise complaints where this is no disturbances or other illegal activity involved to the caller's knowledge.



Contact Information:

Elected Officials:

Mayor Linda Ball
542-3732

Council Members

Jeff Albers 542-9873
Judy Lehner 542-0555
Greg Kampling 540-6145
Carl Koster 542-0353
Phil Mize 542-3830

City Departments

City Hall 542-3622
Maintenance 542-3815
Library 542-3331
Fire Dept. 542-3155
Police Dept. 542-3173
Cherry Oaks 540-0133
Emergencies 911

Community Calendar

Every Saturday- Farmer's Market (2nd & Main)

July 8-11th- Sedgwick County Fair (Visit ourcountyfair.com for events)

Reminder: Please do not blow grass clippings into the street or gutter. The grass clippings have a negative effect on our sewer ponds.

Mosquito Fogging
City maintenance crews will be fogging for mosquitoes during the evening hours. The spray is not harmful to individuals, but we ask that you do not breathe the fumes directly for a long period of time.

Cherry Oaks Pro Shop:

To celebrate the 10 year Anniversary of the Back 9, Cherry Oaks will be offering an Anniversary Special during the month of July!

18 holes with cart for \$25 after 12 pm.

Storm Shelter

In the event of a storm, please use the Senior Center at 516 N Main as shelter.

Community Calendar

The City of Cheney, Cheney Public Library, USD 268 and Cheney Recreation Commission have joined together to create a community calendar. The calendar will be accessible on each entity's website and will allow individuals to visit one website and have access to the various events going on around the community. The idea was presented to the community group by Tyler Gegen with Cheney Public Library, who believes the collaborative effort will be beneficial to each department and members of the community. The calendar can be accessed at www.cheneyks.org

Cheney Public Library

This summer has proven to be one of the busiest Summer Reading Programs that we can remember. Thanks to all the parents, grandparents and caregivers for signing up your children and participating in the programs. I would also like to thank all the teachers that take the time to bring the kids down before school ends so that we can introduce the Summer Reading Program. You make a BIG difference! Reading time logs are due by 5:00 on July 28th! We would like to thank the community for always supporting the library and especially our last book sale. We were able to deposit \$800 into our savings! Come check out our new collection of donated items in our Book Sale Vault. Susan Woodard, Director

Support Cheney Fire!

The Cheney Fire Department is raffling a Quilt!! (donated by The Wish List). Tickets are \$2.00 or 6 for \$10.00 and can be purchased at City Hall or Cheney Electric.

Fire Pits Inside the City Limits

Chapter VII Article 2 of the Cheney City Code states that it is **unlawful to burn combustible residential trash, solid waste or tree limbs of any kind within the city limits.**

Seniors Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

The Department of Aging has provided the City with \$30 food vouchers redeemable at the any Farmer's Market. Applicants must be over 60 years of age and have an income of no more than \$1,815 per month. Please stop by City Hall to pick them up!

Swimming Pool

Open 1-6 pm Daily

Daily Admission- \$3.00

Family Swim Wednesday Nights

6:30-8:30 PM- \$1.50

Adult lap Swim- Mondays and Fridays 6-7 pm. \$1 admission

Punchcards: \$45 for first card (20 admissions), \$40 for additional cards.

Family Pass: \$135 (Family of 4)

Additional family members \$20

*Available at City Hall- must show verification of claimed dependents (tax return)

Pool Parties: \$90 for 2 hour minimum, \$40 per additional hour- 50 or fewer people -\$1 per persons above 50

Cherry Oaks Golf Course:

5 tips to help your lawn survive another Kansas summer.

-Raise your mowing height: a higher cut lawn will help shade the soil, which will reduce the soil temperature.

-Mow less frequently: avoid "routine" mowing, only mow if the lawn needs it. Use the one-third rule. Cut off no more than one-third of the leaf blade at a time.

-Irrigation timing: avoid watering in late afternoon/early evening. Pre dawn/early morning is the ideal time to water your lawn.

-Avoid summer fertilizer: the turf should have adequate nutrients stored to get through the heat.

-Avoid herbicides when temps exceed 90 degrees: applying herbicides during high temperatures may cause unwanted injury to the turf.

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The City of Cheney would like to welcome Bryant Welch- Assistant Golf Superintendent- as our newest employee!

Congratulations to our newest Certified EMT- Jacque Keller!

The City of Cheney has several items up for auction at Purple Wave Auction on the Government Auction set for July 7th!



Car Show- August 8th

Car Registration- \$15

4pm-Midnight

Contact Jeff Albers @ 542-0404 for more information