



City of Lawton

April 2013

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Water meter readings are taken around the 20th day of each month.
Invoices for water, sewer, garbage and landfill are sent on the 1st of each month.
These invoices are delinquent if not paid by the 20th of that same month.
A 10% Late Fee will be assessed on all delinquent accounts.

Yard Waste Carts

The GREEN yard waste carts will be emptied beginning April 4th and will be emptied weekly through the first week in November. It is not required that you bag your grass clippings, but many have found that bagging cuts down on the odor and mess left in the carts.

If you had a cart last year and did not request it be picked up, I will begin billing you on your May 1st invoice. Please notify City Hall if you want to change your service. Cost is \$10/month for the GREEN cart.

Street Repairs

The Public Works Department will be working on some street issues as the weather warms up. One of their major targets will be to bring manhole covers to street level. It will likely involve removing a section of street, inserting a riser, then pouring concrete around the manhole.

When this happens barricades will be placed around the work area. You are asked to park an adequate distance away from the work area in order to allow smooth traffic movement around the work site.

City-wide Clean-up

Our city-wide clean up is going to run a little differently this year. The owner of "Almost Full Hauling" is willing to pick up most appliances AT NO COST TO YOU OR TO THE CITY. Appliance stickers will not be needed.

Bruce plans to be in town late afternoon on June 15 to pick up metal/appliances setting at the curb. He will also be back in town on Monday, June 17.

Watch this newsletter for further information. If you want to contact him directly, call Bruce @ 712-301-5981.



This star indicates "Recycle Day"
(Use Gray/Pink carts
or small green tubs only)

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 ★ <small>City Council meet 5:00</small>	3	4 <small>Garbage/ Yard Waste</small>	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 <small>Garbage/ Yard Waste</small>	12	13
14	15	16 ★	17	18 <small>Garbage/ Yard Waste</small>	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 <small>Garbage/ Yard Waste</small>	26	27
28	29	30 ★				

City-Wide Garage Sale—June 15

The LBHS Cross Country Team will be in charge of our annual garage sales this year. Vonna Kingsbury will be heading the project, along with former coordinator, Renee Eyres.

The date has been set for June 15, Father's Day weekend. As this is a fundraiser for the Cross Country Team, a concession stand is also being planned.

As more information becomes available, I will forward it to you via this newsletter, the electronic information sign at the park, and a mass email.

Registration forms will be included with your May invoices. If you have any questions, please call Vonna at 712-944-5395.

THANK YOU, Vonna and Renee !!!

Some minds are like concrete...thoroughly mixed up and permanently set

2013 Pet Tags are IN



All dogs and cats at least 3 months of age must be licensed in Lawton. If your pet was licensed this past year, your 2012 tags are good



until the end of June. However,

if you want to get a jump on renewing your tag, let us know. The new tags are good through June 2014.

Cost of licensing is \$5 for spayed or neutered pets and \$10 if they have not been spayed or neutered. Most times the rabies certificate will tell us if the pet has been unsexed.

Call City Hall or stop in if you have any questions on licensing. We will need to see your pets' CURRENT rabies certificate if it has been renewed since you last licensed. If we have a current certificate on file, you will not be required to bring it in again at this time.

Pet Reminders

Dogs Barking! - If your dogs are barking, there is a reason. Please check on them and tend to their needs. Your neighbors do not appreciate a dog that is constantly barking.

Pets running loose - All pets are to be leashed or in a fence/kennel if they are outside. If they are leashed, someone capable of controlling them must be handling their leash. If you let them outside to "do their business", keep track of them! Keep them on YOUR property!

Walkers should not have to fear your dog being outside. Please don't let this be an issue!

Pick up what your dog/cat leaves behind!! - This is pretty self-explanatory. If you take your pet out for a walk and he/she decides it's time to defecate, clean it up. This not only applies to private property, but also to public property. Parents do not appreciate taking their children to the park and having their little ones step in dog or cat feces.

BUILDING PERMITS

This time of year always brings to mind all those fun building projects we've been thinking of all winter. The City of Lawton requires a building permit for all outside projects with the exception of certain landscaping projects. You **MUST** get an application, and it **MUST** be approved by the Building Permit Committee prior to any construction...including the moving of dirt prior to building.

Pouring a cement slab or putting up a fence also require building permits from the City. Blank applications may be picked up at City Hall or downloaded from the city website. Fences that will be placed on your property line will also require the signature of the abutting property owner. You are responsible to locate your own property lines. The City is not able to help locate these.

Remember to call

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before digging

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***It's the law!***

### Messages on Electronic Sign

If you have a special birthday or anniversary message you would like to see on the electronic sign downtown, contact City Hall for details. Cost is \$10.00 for up to three days. Other messages (no political campaigning) may also be run at the same cost.

Local churches and businesses are encouraged to notify City Hall of open houses or other public activities. However, commercial "advertising" will not be posted. Let's keep the sign fun and informational. Contact City Hall with any questions you may have.

### New picnic tables

Sometime after the frost is gone from the ground, the city will be pouring two concrete slabs in order to install two new ADA picnic tables. These tables were purchased and donated by resident and Councilman Don Grigg.

One table will be located in the Veterans' Memorial Park downtown, while the other table will be located in the new little park area on Ash Street at the entrance to the West Creek Development.

The tables are 46" in diameter and will have three bench seats per table. A fourth "seat" is absent to accommodate a wheelchair, stroller, etc.

