

GARDEN'S GAZETTE

June Newsletter

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Mayor's message

I apologize for the delay in getting this newsletter out, but I wanted to ensure that notice was given to all residents about a special meeting to be held on July 11, 2007 at 6:00pm in reference to oil and gas. The City Council received four proposals for oil and gas leases. The request for bids were received from XTO Energy, Chesapeake Bay, Hardin Company, and Paloma Resources . If you would like to see the bids that were received from these companies you may pick up a copy at City Hall. All of these companies have been asked to present their proposals to City Council and our citizens and to be prepared to answer questions from Council at the special meeting on July 11.

Please pay close attention to the details and conditions of ANY lease that you have already received or may receive from ANY organization attempting to secure your mineral rights. You should consult with neighbors or possibly wait to see which company drills in the area before signing a lease agreement.

Mayor Tedder

Park Board News-

Recreational Trails(10-year park plan)-

The Park Board has now viewed the sidewalk layout prepared by our city engineer. While we are still a couple of months away from seeing any physical changes in the park we are seeing progress with our plan. Needless to say we are very excited about this project.

Park Board Appointments-

Thanks to the Park Board members that served on the 2006-2007 board: Kathy Price, Jeannine Calhoon, Cathy Stein, Tina Hall and Stacy Tedder. Thanks also to the city staff, mayor and the council for their support of this board. We have all worked together to improve our park and look forward to continuing to implement the park improvements as outlined in the 10-year park plan. The City Council has renewed the two-year terms for Jeannine Calhoon and Stacy Tedder. We would like to express our thanks to Tina Hall for her volunteer service to the city and specifically for her contribution to the Park Board. We still hope to see Tina in and around Gardens Park and we now welcome Larry Galbiati to the Park Board. We are always thrilled to see citizens that want to get involved in improving our park.

The next regular park board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

City Council News

The following items were approved and discussed at the June 21, 2007, City Council Meeting:

Proclamation for Mayor Gene Coats was presented

Minutes of the May 17, 2007 Council meeting- approved

Planned Development amendment for Arlington Classics Academy- approved

Appointment of expired terms for Boards and Commissions-approved

Larry Galbiati- appointed to the park board

Brett Hall- appointed to the planning and zoning commission

Employee Health Insurance renewal- approved

Zoning Change for the southwest corner of Bowen and Arkansas- approved

Zoning Change for the southeast corner of Bowen and Mayfield- approved

Approval of NCTCOG voting representative- approved

Community

Thank you to those citizens who volunteered to fill the vacant board position on the Park Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission. Larry Galbiati was appointed to fill the position on the Park Board and Brett Hall was appointed to fill the position on the Planning and Zoning Commission. As there were only 2 positions available, we would like to thank those that volunteered to serve their community and we will contact you as any other board positions become vacant.

DPS News

Dalworthington Gardens DPS would like to thank our citizens and visitors for remembering to buckle up, watching your speed and remembering to drink responsibly. The third wave of the STEP wave grant has now been completed.

Water Conservation Tips

As warmer temperatures begin to arrive in our areas and the April shower season picks up, here are some tips to follow:

- Water only when the grass needs watering. Walk across your grass early in the morning. If your footprints remain, it needs water.
- If we are forecasted to receive rain or are under a flash flood warning, please adjust your water sprinklers accordingly.

RESIDENTIAL: rain and freeze sensors are required on irrigation systems installed on or after June 1, 2007.

NON-RESIDENTIAL: irrigation systems installed on or after June 1, 2006 must have rain and freeze sensors.

Existing irrigation systems must be retrofitted with rain and freeze sensors by June 1, 2007.

Annual inspection of the rain and freeze sensors, this inspection should be done in conjunction with the annual backflow assembly inspection. It must be performed by a licensed plumber or irrigator that is registered with the city of Fort Worth.

New Way to Pay Your Water Bill

To pay your water bills by credit card, Call Government Payment Service, 1-888-604-7888 24 hours or go to: www.governmentpayment.com. Have the Pay Location Code when paying: 1019.

A fee of 5% of the total amount for this service will be added to the total amount charged.

Credit Cards accepted include: Discover, Mastercard, Visa, and American Express.

New Businesses

Discount Merchandise- 3100 W. Arkansas Ln, suite I, located at the corner of Arkansas Lane and Roosevelt, 817-276-9995

If you would like to get on the mailing list, visit their website: www.discountmerchandiseonline.net.

May Meeting Dates

Zoning Board of Adjustments- no meeting in July

Planning and Zoning-July 10, 2007, 7:00pm

Park Board- July 12, 2007, 7:00pm

City Council Meeting- July 19, 2007, 7:00pm