



City of Duncanville

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kevin Hugman, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Police Department – The Police Department will hold its annual Police Memorial event honoring fallen Duncanville police officers Sgt. Michael Poe and Officer Roger Hobden, and all police officers killed in the line of duty in the past year, on Wednesday, May 15 at 10:00a. The ceremony will be held in front of the Police Department. We invite you to attend.

The department collected a total of 349 lbs. of unused or out of date medications during last weekend's drug take back initiative.

This week, Chief Robert Brown participated with the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center by reading the names of alleged abused/neglected children at Klyde Warren Park in Dallas to bring attention to child abuse. The Dallas Children's Advocacy Center is working to bring awareness to the over 27,000 reported cases of abuse in Dallas County each year. The challenge is, the victims are under 18 and their identity and stories are concealed to protect them. Turning this challenge into inspiration, the DCAC has created a campaign called "Save Jane," that shows that child abuse in Dallas spans every race, age and neighborhood in a provocative and creative way.



This week, the department received the results of an audit conducted by the Texas Department of Public Safety Texas Crime Information Center (TCIC) Auditor. The audit reviewed the Duncanville Police Department's Policies and Practices as they pertain to TCIC/NCIC guidelines. While the entire department is responsible for the day to day adherence of these guidelines, the Terminal Agency Coordinator, Stacy Trevino, and IT Technician Jesse Rodela, were responsible for

meeting with the auditor and responding to the auditor's questions. No deficiencies were noted in the audit.

Notes on recent successes:

- Night patrol officers were dispatched to a domestic disturbance in which the suspect kicked in the door of his ex-girlfriend, entered her home, and assaulted her before fleeing. As officers began to arrive in the area, they saw the described suspect vehicle, stopped it, and were able to arrest the suspect after an on-scene investigation. Several different types of narcotics were seized from the suspect and placed into evidence as well.
- Day patrol officers were dispatched to the Clay Cooley overflow vehicles property regarding a criminal trespass. During the officers' investigation, they encountered a male and a female, who claimed to be homeless, inside one of the "trade in" vehicles on the lot. The officers found that both were wanted for felony drug charges out of Arkansas and had evidence on them indicating they had committed a burglary of the building. The male also had in his possession, tax returns, credit cards, and other identifying information belonging to other people. Both were arrested, and all property was confiscated as evidence.
- Following a month-long investigation stemming from a patrol officer's traffic stops in which 5 pounds of marijuana and \$1,000.00 in cash were seized, the SWAT team with members of the patrol narcotics team and detectives, executed search warrants on suspected drug supply houses. While these supply houses were not in Duncanville, at least one of the suspects lives in Duncanville. The search warrants of these houses resulted in the following:
 - 3.5 pounds of marijuana (additional to that seized on the traffic stop)
 - Several different types and quantities of illegal narcotics
 - 10.75 pounds of THC concentrate edibles ("Capital" Felony)
 - Evidence of large-scale cocaine distribution
 - Large volumes of used packaging indicative of suspects moving hundreds of pounds of marijuana from California throughout the metroplex
 - Large volume of unused packaging and fake Medical Cannabis labels
 - Weapons consisting of 4 handguns, 2 shotguns, 1 stolen AK-47
 - 2 vehicles used in the narcotics trafficking
 - Nearly \$8,500.00 in cash
- A day patrol officer towed an abandoned, wrecked vehicle from Thrush Ave. after it had been tagged for removal for 48 hours.
- Directed Traffic Enforcement
 - W. Danieldale Rd. – (4) citations
 - E. Danieldale Rd. – (1) citation
 - North and South Main St. – (13) citations; (1) written warning
 - Astaire Ave and Avenue of the Stars – (0)
 - East Wheatland Rd. – (7) citations
 - West Wheatland Rd. – (1) citation
 - Cedar Hill Rd. – (0)

Fire Department – The Department has not had any major fire or EMS events in Duncanville this week.

A physical agility test for remaining eligible firefighter candidates from the last civil service test, will be conducted on May 11. The Department has four vacancies at this time.

Assistant City Manager Paul Frederiksen, Chief Sam Rohde, Assistant Chief Greg Chase, and Public Works Director Greg Ramey toured Garland Fire Department Station 5 this week. The tour was very informative in learning Garland's recent experience in building that station. The lessons learned will be very valuable in the process of planning and construction on Duncanville's new fire station.

Public Works – Water usage was 25.608 MG the week of April 22 through April 28, up slightly from 25.004 MG the previous week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Monday, April 22, when 4.416 MG was used. There was 2.05 inches of precipitation that week.

On Monday, April 29, the Building Inspections Division performed an annual apartment inspection for the Wexford Townhomes located at 600 Wembley Circle. Deficiencies were noted on the exterior of the buildings, and 1 vacant unit was inspected. In the vacant unit, fixtures needed to be secured, repaired, or replaced. The property manager was given 30 days to ready the property for reinspection. One complex will be inspected per week until the annual inspection program has been completed. Eight apartments have been inspected year-to-date and a total of 11 apartments remain.

Nineteen properties were registered for the residential rental property program since last week's report, for a total of 472 registered properties year-to-date. Twelve properties were inspected. Nine inspections passed and 3 failed. Of the properties that failed, lack of smoke detectors, GFCI protection, combustion air for appliance closet, and vacuum breakers on hose bibs were primary. Six residential certificates of occupancy were issued, for a total of 101 certificates issued year-to-date.

Mosquito testing was conducted on April 24 at 5 different locations throughout the City and the results from all locations were negative.

Construction and Maintenance:

- Vortex Turnkey Solution LLC continues the FY18 Pipebursting project in the Flame East Addition. Crews are also working on street restoration in the Flame East Addition.
- The City hosted a pre-bid conference for the FY2019 Sidewalk Improvements Project on Wednesday, May 1, 2019. Representatives from seven construction companies attended the meeting. Bid opening for the project will occur on May 16, 2019.

Parks and Recreation –

Parks:

- The annual color changeout is halfway completed (350 flats planted) as the crews have been working around the rain and wet conditions to be safe and not make a huge mess.
- The mowing contractors have managed their schedules as well with guidance and oversight by staff.



Fieldhouse:

- The FH will host the 2nd Jiu Jitsu Showcase Tournament – Friday, May 3 from 6:00p to 11:00p.
- This coming week we have:
 - Champion After School Program - Monday thru Friday 6:30a to 6:30p
 - B.O.S.S. Spring Basketball League - Monday 6:00p to 9:00p; (3) courts
 - Sista Hoops Basketball Tournament - Saturday 8:00a to 10:00p & Sunday 8:00a to 4:30p; (6) courts
 - Fieldhouse Youth Basketball League - Sunday 4:00p to 9:00p; (5) courts

Senior Center:

- On Tuesday, April 30, the seniors visited the Rangers Stadium in Arlington, TX to attend the Texas Rangers vs Seattle Mariners game.
- The Cinco de Mayo Celebration has been canceled due to inclement weather. Plans are underway to schedule another event in the next few weeks.
- The Mother's Day Breakfast is scheduled for Thursday, May 9, 2019 at the D.L. Hopkins Senior Center.
- The Porch / Rummage Sale is scheduled for Friday, May 10, 2019 at the D.L. Hopkins Senior Center.

Recreation:

- This Past Tuesday, Recreation hosted the first round of playoffs for the Tuesday Men's Basketball league. The semis and championship game will be next. We will receive the team trophies on Friday, so we can hand them out on Tuesday night.
- The Recreation Center hosted the National Day of Prayer event on Thursday, May 2 from noon to 1:00p.

Economic Development – ED staff is providing support and working on the following projects:

- Continues to assist W&B Service Company with their business expansion.
- Working with an electrical supply company to find a suitable location to expand into Duncanville.

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Permits Issued:

- None this week

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Applications Received:

- Corbett Mitchell Media & Consulting; 550 N. Main St., Suite #206 (Consulting and Media Firm Office Use Only)
- P. Ming Beauty; 111 S. Cedar Ridge Dr., Suite #130 (Wig Store)

Public Information – News coverage for this week:

April 30, 2019 – [Duncanville Police Shoot Man After He 'Made Aggressive Movements With his Hand in a Bag,' Officials Say](#)

April 30, 2019 – [Duncanville PD: Man Shot by Police After Ignoring Officers' Commands](#)

May 1, 2019 – [Duncanville Police Shoot Suspect After Brief Standoff](#)

In recognition of the 50th anniversary of the Duncanville War Memorial, we are ordering 300 “challenge coins” with the new city logo. We will give these to attendees of the event on Memorial Day.

