



TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kevin Hugman, City Manager

DATE: August 16, 2019

SUBJECT: Weekly Update

Police Department – The Police Department will host an Open House on Saturday, August 31, 2019 from 10:00a – 2:00p at the Duncanville Police Station located at 203 E. Wheatland Road Duncanville, Texas 75116. There will be opportunities to meet personnel of the Police Department, have tours of the facility and some equipment, get information on crime prevention tips, and other things meant to engage the community with the Police Department. There will also be bounce houses and Kona Ice refreshments for the younger ones. Charlton Methodist will also participate and provide information on the opioid crisis and preventing drug dependency.

The Criminal Investigation Division coordinated a regional fingerprint identification training hosted by the Duncanville Police Department at the Public Library meeting rooms. The training was provided at no cost, by the FBI Criminal Justice Information Systems Division Biometric Training Team. A total of 20 law enforcement officers from various local agencies, including Duncanville, Lancaster, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, and Tarrant County Sheriff's Office, attended the week-long training consisting of both basic and advanced finger print identification and comparison.

Notes on recent activity:

- Night patrol officers were dispatched to a business alarm at a convenience store in the early morning hours. Responding officers noticed a male inside the building, who exited the store carrying bags, a backpack, and tools commonly known to be used in burglary offenses. The suspect ignored officers' commands and began to evade the officers on foot, but officers were able to catch the suspect after pursuing him for roughly one hundred yards. During the pursuit, the male dropped a mask he had been wearing, as well as items taken from the store. The male was taken into custody and the business owner was notified.
- A day patrol officer arrested a suspect from a Dollar Store who had previously been given a trespass warning.

- Night patrol officers and a sergeant were dispatched to Walnut St. to investigate a caller's report that someone was pulling on vehicle door handles. Officers located the male in the area of the call based on the description given. The suspect was arrested on unrelated charges and found to be carrying identifying information for several different people, however officers could not firmly establish the suspect had entered anyone's vehicle in that neighborhood.
- Night officers, after stopping a vehicle for a traffic stop in the 800 block of Duncanville Rd., sensed the odor of marijuana upon contact with the driver and occupants. As officers were conducting a search after having had the occupants exit the vehicle, one occupant fled on foot. One of the officers was able to catch up with the suspect about 200 yards from the traffic stop and arrested him for evading a lawful detention. A substance consistent with the appearance and texture of marijuana, as well as packaging commonly seen with the trafficking of marijuana was eventually recovered from the stopped vehicle.
- Directed Traffic Enforcement
 - W. Danieldale Rd. – 8 citations
 - E. Danieldale Rd. – one citation
 - North and South Main St. – 8 citations, one written warning
 - Astaire Ave and Avenue of the Stars – 0
 - East Wheatland Rd. – four citations
 - West Wheatland Rd. – one citation

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

The Department currently has two vacancies with nine remaining candidates to take the physical agility test. We are reviewing the calendar to find a day to schedule the test. Those who are successful in passing the physical agility test will then provide personal history statements and criminal background checks will be conducted prior to the next phases.

Public Works – Water usage was 48.363 MG this week, up from 45.374 last week. The daily peak water demand occurred on Sunday, August 11, when 8.132 MG was used. There was no precipitation last reporting week (August 5 through August 11).

West Nile mosquito testing was conducted on August 13 at five locations throughout the City with negative results.

Eight properties were registered for the residential rental property program since last week's report, for a total of 632 registered properties year-to-date. Twelve properties were inspected; nine passed and three failed inspection. Of those properties, a lack of GFCI protection, vacuum breakers on hose bibs and carbon monoxide detectors were the primary reasons for failure. Eight residential certificates of occupancy were issued, for a total of 221 certificates of occupancy issued year-to-date.

Code Enforcement collected \$4,225.84 on 33 liens this week, for a total of \$66,493.97 since the collection program started. A total of 218 liens have been paid since the program started.

The Planning and Zoning Commission held their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 12, at 7:00p in the Council Chambers, City Hall, to hear the request for a Specific Use Permit for a party/event facility at 134 North Main Street. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval, and the request will be considered by the City Council on Tuesday, September 3.

A pre-development meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 15, to discuss an office use on East Daniieldale Road.

Construction Update:

- The Concrete Construction crew installed a new ADA ramp at 230 Harman Street.
- City contractor Pavecon continues the FY19 Mill and Overlay Program with milling on Linkcrest Drive.
- City contractor Vortex completed pipebursting work on Segment 6 in South Forest Lane. Work began on the removal and installation of wastewater manhole EB2 at South Lincoln Drive and Wheatland Road with road closure from Wednesday, August 14 until Friday, August 16. The installation includes street restoration.
- City contractor Uretek has begun the FY19 Pavement Lifting Program, starting on South Cockrell Hill Road. Pavement lifting services are used as part of the City's overall street maintenance program.



Parks and Recreation –

Fieldhouse:

- Scheduled to host the Crunchy Rollers “Back to School Bash” on Saturday, August 17. The Fieldhouse will cater lunch for 300.
- Scheduled to host the Cedar Hill Fire Safety Active Shooter Training Exercise on Thursday, August 22, 2019.
- This coming week we have:

- Metro Safe Summer Camp - Monday thru Friday 6:30a to 6:00p
- Pro Bill Basketball Tournament - Saturday 9:00a to 9:00p, Sunday 9:00p to 4:30p x 3 courts

Senior Activity Center:

- This week, the seniors celebrated August birthdays, and took an excursion to the Omni Theater in Fort Worth, Texas.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Guitarist Nathan Daily – Wednesday, August 21 at 12:15p
 - Senior Citizen Day Celebration – Wednesday, August 21
 - Excursion to Celebration Restaurant – Thursday, August 22 at 11:00a
 - Bingo Sponsored by Advantage Foot Care – Friday, August 23 at 10:30a

Recreation Center:

- Upcoming Events:
 - Concert Series at the Park
 - Mango Punch – Saturday, September 14 from 6:00p – 9:00p
 - Jack Mason – Saturday, September 28 from 6:00p – 9:00p
 - Boo Bash – Friday, October 25 at 7:00p
 - Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting – Friday, December 6 from 7:00p – 10:00p

Public Information – News coverage for this week:

August 13, 2019 – [Duncanville Police Standoff with Armed Man Ends in Apparent Suicide](#)