Administrators report May 2025

Shadowrock Park:

The biggest consumer of our time this month has been the preparation for the flooding of Shadowrock Park. We started moving campers out of campground 2 about three weeks ago and began removing the electrical components in



that part of the park. The guys worked hard removing the other items from the restrooms and shower houses. David and I removed the pickleball and tennis court netting. The design for the pickle ball post works well. We were able to unbolt and remove them quickly.

It is disappointing that the park has flooded, however the weekend before the water rose, I noticed about a hundred citizens using the park. The water will resend, and the park will be cleaned up and once again people will enjoy the proximity of the lake. Moving forward, improvements to the park will need to be flood tolerant.



Shoals Bend Park:

Regrettably the plans for the fireworks show have been canceled. The pyrotechnic company we had contracted wanted to alter the length of the program down to 7 minutes from the original 18 minutes, for the same \$15,000 we had budgeted. They cited the tariffs as to why the change was necessary. The tariffs have not yet gone into effect.

The guys have been working on the ball diamond up at Shoals Bend Park. A semitruckload of mulch was delivered and soon a new layer of mulch will go down around the playground equipment. We should do a better job promoting Shoals Bend Park, with its lack of



visibility, I feel the park is sometimes overlooked by our citizens.

Public works:



Shawn and Luke were able to pump the sludge tank at the downtown sewer plant using our old pump truck. This tank catches the non-dissolvable materials from the system before it enters the Biosolids tank. The material was then taken back to headworks and put through the

fine screen for final separation and removal from the plant. This was on our list of items that needed to be done. In the past, we would have needed to hire this done, however since the repair of the pump truck, we have been able to perform these tasks in house. Chief Bower and Pedro worked on the turbo and manifold this last fall and Shawn reworked the fuel delivery system a few months ago. Since then, the old truck has been performing well. With the newfound reliability, the guys will start pumping and cleaning the different lift stations on a rotating basis.



We have had several lift stations that needed considerable attention this month. Repairs included a total power failure due to a lightning strike, a complete pump replacement and several floats that needed replacement. These types of repairs are relatively common. The new SCADA system, which is about halfway installed, will help alert the crew to any items needing attention. Although the system is helpful, manual observation will still need to be carried out to ensure the infrastructure is working properly.

City Hall:

The new server was installed this month. We have had a few hiccups along the way but overall, the server is working well.



Scanning of the city maps and historical documents is ongoing, we continue to uncover items that have long been lost or forgotten.

The city-wide yard sale was a huge success.

