

## MAYOR'S MINUTE JULY 2012

First let me say that the city is not responsible for the crickets that have invaded our city... God created them..... also the city is not responsible for the tree trimmers that have cleared limbs from wires..... Texas A&M created them!!! ok just kidding there..... don't know where they learned to butcher trees like that!!!!

Due to the 4th holiday and very small agenda I cancelled the July City Council meeting set for the 3rd. Council will have a budget workshop next Tuesday at the community center so anyone that would be interested is welcomed to come .... meeting set for 6:00.

Speaking about the budget the city is financially healthy going into next year. There are a few items I will be requesting the council to keep in next year's budget.... 6,000.00 on renovations of community center.... it needs some work.... tile, paint, new bathroom fixtures.... also City Hall \$40,000.00 to repair the brickwork..... City Hall will be 100 years old in 2 years..... seems some of the mortar between the bricks have deteriorated ..to the point that in some areas you can slid the brick out with your hand!!! This has to be fixed and the building kept up so will also request to council they include this repair in the budget.....

City has worked on alley on Davis and Reagan.... hope drainage problem is corrected...section of this block is just flat with no grade.... Want to take this time to thank City employees for her hard work in this hot weather..... on Summer schedule...going to work early, getting off early to avoid heat of the day.... safer and more productive.

To quote John Kennedy...."Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their County".... To quote Mayor Muska "Now is the time for all good men and women to come to the aid of their City"!!!

Woody stays at the depot on Thursdays... I would appreciate anyone that has some time to call me...we need volunteers to stay at the depot and keep it open for visitors....I would like 10:00 to 5:00 6 days a week if possible..... if enough people sign up this would require only a few hours a week of your time.... so many people come by and it's not open.... would also remind retired military that the depot houses the Wall of Honor... if you want people to come enjoy this exhibit you need to step up and help with keeping the depot open.... call me at 826-5442 or city hall and let's work together to keep the depot open....

City also made up a great looking brochure about businesses in West using Hotel/Motel Tax money. If your going on vacation drop by city hall and pick up a few ... take with you to your destination... if your as excited and proud of the City of West as I am you can do your part in helping promote it and bring visitors to our City. Thanks to Kathy Kral and Al Vanek for their work on this project.

Also working on bids to repair and repaint depot..... if you remember City received \$5000 from Union Pacific Railroad for this project this past year..... submitted another request for money this

year..... It's city's obligation to keep our public buildings in good condition and the depot is in dire need of a paint job.....

I would ask that if you have elderly neighbors please check on them during these hot summer months to make sure they're ok..... Hope all of you had a great 4th of July!