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STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Committee of the Whole 6:30 PM A. Max Bacon City Hall HR Training Room

POLICE DEPARTMENT





Smyrna Police Department at Campbell High School: Staff from dispatch, detention, and police officers came together for a recruiting event at Campbell High School for their juniors and seniors. It was a great opportunity to talk about our Police Department and answer questions from local students.

Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 16 Citations: 115 Warnings: 40

Calls for Service: 640

HUMAN RESOURCES



Jamila Morgan
Part-Time Community
Center Attendant
Parks and Recreation
Hired: 03/04



Paul Caldwell
Part-Time Community
Center Attendant
Parks and Recreation
(Historic Buildings)
Hired: 03/11



Brandon Hixon
Water/Sewer
Maintenance Worker
Water/Sewer Distribution
Hired: 03/11



Cameron Johnson
Police Officer
Police Department
Hired: 03/11

Welcome to Smyrna!

FIRE DEPARTMENT







Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 1

Medical: 103 Other: 45 Total: 149

Community Outreach: Members of the Smyrna Fire Department command staff visited two of our community partners, The Zone at Davis Direction and The Extension. These partners regularly help citizens in need and we were glad to collaborate with them. During the visit, we shared health kits that included Naloxone and COVID test kits, provided by Cobb Douglas Public Health. We hope that by working together, we can make a difference in our community.

ENGINEERING

Intersection Improvements: The crosswalk, push-button controls, and ADA ramps for the northern leg of the Atlanta Road and Windy Hill Road intersection were shifted farther south to improve pedestrian safety. The sight line of vehicles turning north onto Atlanta Road from westbound Windy Hill Road is now much less obstructed by the railroad bridge structure. Drivers are now able to see and yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk much sooner.



COURT SERVICES

Court on 03/05

Cases: 90

Failures to Appear: 29

Pre-Trials: 25 DUIs Completed: 1

Court on 03/05

Cases: 87

Failures to Appear: 28

Pre-Trials: 21

DUIs Completed: 1



PUBLIC WORKS

Streets Department: The Streets Department has been working on the following projects:

- Continued work on batting cages at Brinkley Park
- Worked on ADA accessibility at North Cooper Lake Park and Ward Park
- Resolved drainage issues on Hawthorne Court, Birch Street, and Hickory Circle
- Continued trimming and clearing the right-of-way as part of the monthly maintenance list

WATER DISTRIBUTION

Water and Sewer staff take great pride in being responsible for the installation, repairs, and maintenance of 150 miles of sewer pipes and 250 miles of water main pipes. We are currently providing services to 15,237 customers in the City of Smyrna. We guarantee above and beyond service and safe, clean water supply to each customer every day.



Work Orders: Staff resolved issues last week including:

- Water Main Breaks: 0
- Sewer Backups: 3
- Water Service Leaks: 4
- Resolved Work Orders: 51

Water Service Inventory Verification: Water service inventory verification is underway in Ward 3. Homes in Wards 2, 4 and 6 are completed. Work in Ward 1 is set to begin March 18.

Closed-Circuit TV Pipe Inspection: Sewer infrastructure is being graded with closed-circuit TV equipment. This technology allows staff to view lines in real time, determine pipe conditions, and make corrections when necessary. Inspections in Wards 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6 are completed. Work in Ward 7 is underway and work in Ward 3 will resume next week.

Water Main and Service Replacement Projects: Water mains and services are being replaced in several locations around the city. Work is underway in the following locations:

- South Cobb Drive: The contractor will close King Springs Road on the east side of South Cobb Drive beginning April 1-5. The detour to connect to and from South Cobb Drive will be Starline Drive.
- Creatwood Subdivision: The contractor is currently installing water services on Mohawk Place and boring driveways on Creatwood Trail.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Document Shredding: Document shredding is coming up on Saturday, March 16 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at the Aline Wolfe Center. This event is paper-only and open to everyone. <u>Additional information can be</u> found here.

School Grants Teacher and **Scholarships:** Applications close for Keep Smyrna Beautiful School Grants and Teacher Continuing Education Scholarships close on April 1, 2024. Keep Smyrna Beautiful School beautification, Grants support gardening, environmental education projects. Teacher Scholarships support Smyrna public school teachers with the costs associated with continuing education training for environmental education. Details and application links can be found on our School Partnerships page.

DOCUMENT SHREDDING



Saturday, March 16, 2024 9:00 a.m. to Noon Aline Wolfe Rec. Center, 884 Church St.

Musicians and Artists Needed for the Monthly Recycling Center Tour: Keep Smyrna Beautiful is looking for artists and musicians for the Smyrna Garden Tour on Saturday, May 4, 2024. Visit our website to review the guidelines and fill out the online interest form by the end of this week, Friday, March 15! <u>Learn more and fill out an</u> interest form.







Recycling Center Field Trip: Keep Smyrna Beautiful hosted 17 students and four teachers from Storyland Childcare this past Monday. Students toured the Recycling Center and took part in a paper recycling activity. Keep Smyrna Beautiful provides tours of the Recycling Center and educational programs in the community to residents of all ages. <u>Learn more about Keep Smyrna Beautiful's environmental education offerings.</u>

Monthly Recycling Tour: Come and tour the Recycling Center this Friday, March 15, during the monthly Recycling Center tour! The Recycling Center offers monthly tours on the third Friday of the month from 9:00-10:00 AM. Register here to save your spot for the upcoming tour this Friday.

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Weekly Visitors

Library: 3,315

Women's History Month: Mary Moore and Jennie Eldredge will present a lecture for Women's History Month entitled "Notable Women of Smyrna" on Saturday, March 16, at 3:00 PM in the Smyrna Library meeting room. The lecture will touch on women in politics, philanthropy, and entertainment. Women profiled will include Dorothy Moseley Bacon (pictured right), Maryline Blackburn, and Julia Roberts. This lecture is sponsored by the Friends of Smyrna Library.

Museum Tour Update: Due to a network outage, the museum will only be available for pre-scheduled tours in the next few weeks.



Smyrna Library Contributes to Award-Winning ITS-MARC Database: Smyrna library's Technical Services department was invited to apply to participate in a worldwide consortium of exceptional libraries offering and receiving cataloging data to share amongst member libraries. Our complete database entries were analyzed via rigorous quality control standards. After evaluation, Smyrna Library's database received excellent ratings in each analyzed topic, and an overall excellent rating. Smyrna Library ranks within the top three libraries based on data quality.

In return for our participation in the consortium, we now receive free, unlimited access to the over 83 million database records offered by qualified libraries in the consortium. The result is that our library patrons benefit from the expanded resources along with added discoverability. Next time you search the library's catalog to find any item, you can feel confident that your search is complete and accurate.

A Special Donation: This past week, Linda Bacon Keeney on behalf of the Bacon family, donated an original artwork by Nellie Mae Rowe to the Smyrna Museum. Nellie Mae Rowe used oil crayon on textured art paper to create this work in 1980, titled "Brother and Sister." The Museum will work with a conservator to safely display this important work at the museum in the future.





PARKS AND RECREATION



Teen Night: Calling all teens! Join us at the Smyrna Community Center on Friday, May 10, from 5:00-8:00 PM, for a night of epic laser tag battles, pizza for dinner, a movie, and a popcorn bar. After a long week of school, there's nothing better than unwinding and having fun with your friends. This event is for teens ages 13-17 and is \$30 per person.

Easter After Dark: Mark your calendars for Smyrna Parks and Recreation's upcoming Easter After Dark! On Saturday, March 23 from 6:00-9:00 PM, gather your friends and family for glow-in-the-dark Easter egg hunts for all ages! At 6:30 PM we will be showing the 2005 version of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Additionally, there will be vendors selling fun treats. Registration is required and is \$10 per person.

Parks Maintenance: Parks Maintenance staff works daily to keep our parks and fields in top shape for visitors and league play. This week some of the staff focused on the Reed House parking lot, spreading new slate chips with the skid steer. Over time, wear and tear has caused patches to wash out and leave worn spaces throughout the area. Once the slate chips were spread, an asphalt roller was used to smooth out the parking lot. This work ensures that guests of the Reed House have a safe and level area to drive and park.





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

185 Inspections 70 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$810,777.00

Commercial (7)

(7) Interior Renovation

- 4595 S Cobb Dr SE
- Cortland at the Village x6 Units (2139 Lake Park Dr SE)

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$111,000.00

Building Remodel / Residential (8)

- (1) Accessory Structure
- (1) Addition
- (3) Interior Renovation
- (2) Roof Replacement/Re-roof
- (1) New Construction

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$699,777.00

Electrical (2) Tree (8) Plumbing (1) Sign (5)

New Businesses

Heads R Us

Barber Shops 2697 Spring Road, STE E Ward 1

MAZERES BEAUTE CO LLC

Beauty Salons 3246 Atlanta Road, STE G Ward 6

Olympic Exteriors

Residential Remodelers Home Business Ward 1

Amercon Construction Group LLC

Site Preparation Contractors 1650 Armstrong Place Ward 7

Petals and Posies

Other Specialized Design Services Home Business Ward 7

European Mobile Mechanic

Mobile automotive and truck repair services Home Business Ward 3

Lindquist Lodge, LLC

Residential Property Managers Home Business Ward 7

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