

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE May 2020

### A roll-off waiting for a chipper!



### TimberCreek Village Cleanup Day

As you drive by the tennis court you will notice the large pile of limbs and brush that residents have left by the roll-off. This week is Village cleanup and services are being provided to help everyone clear brush from around their homes. Normally we have two roll-offs, one for trash at the fire station and a second one for brush and limbs at the tennis court. This spring there will only be one at the tennis court and it will only be used for brush and limbs. The Texas A&M Forestry Service will be here around 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> with their chipper and a crew. We will need some help moving brush to the chipper so if you can help please come down to the tennis court between 8:00 and 12:00.

Please keep the area in front of the roll-off clears so the chipper can discharge the wood chips directly into the trash container. Space is filling up quickly but there is still room on the sides and back. You may also bring your limbs and trimmings to the tennis court on Saturday morning and the crews can unload material directly from your pickup or trailer into the chipper.

Consider cleaning up around your residence or along the roads near your home since we will not meet at the fire station as we have in past years. Hopefully when the corona virus pandemic is over we can return as a group to the fire station for a group Village cleanup day. Since there will not be a roll-off at the fire station, everyone will be responsible for the trash collected around his or her home.

**Special Note:** be careful while collecting trash or brush. The temperatures have warmed and there have been several snakes seen around the Village. One resident has already killed a rattlesnake this past week near Cactus Dr.; be safe and watch where you step!

### Covid-19: Condition Red

The Board of Aldermen will meet Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and consider extending the declaration concerning the corona virus. As many of you know, Governor Abbot has loosened many of the

restrictions in the State of Texas concerning the pandemic. There are several points that everyone should consider before attempting to return to “business as usual”.

- 1) Potter/Randall as well as Moore county are still considered “hot spots” in Texas. The number of cases is still climbing and may not peak until the latter part of May or the first of June. The pandemic is not over and we cannot let our guard down!
- 2) Many people are NOT wearing masks when they are out in stores or areas where individuals are in close proximity with others. Your mask does not really protect you except in some really special cases. When you wear a mask, you protect other people by trapping aerosol droplets that may exit your nose and mouth when you talk, cough or sneeze. If you are infected with the virus, wearing a mask does reduce the number viruses that enter the air and are deposited on nearby surfaces.
- 4) Use hand sanitizer or wash your hands frequently! Continue to practice social distancing (6 ft.) with groups larger than 10.
- 3) There is no proven vaccine or cure for this disease and it is still unknown if those who have recovered from the corona virus are immune to subsequent exposures. Until more is known about this virus it is better to be safe than sorry.

I know that everyone wants to return to their lives and the way it used to be and everyone wants to return to work if they can but reality may not be what we are expecting. Vaccines are on the horizon and several are being tested today but until the majority of the population is immune, everyone should remain cautious and do what they can to reduce the spread of this disease. **One final note:** My wife and I have worked in hospitals in respiratory care for over 40 years each. We have worked with critically ill patients in isolation and with critically ill patients on ventilators. We have never witnessed the number of severely ill patients and the number of patients requiring ventilator assisted care that are currently being treated in our hospitals. The services the health care professionals are making to care for patients with covid-19 must not only be applauded but also be recognized for the sacrifice they are providing in caring for patients with this virus. Health care providers are reaching the limits of service they can safely provide, supplies (PPE’s) are limited in many areas, and although many companies are ramping up production of ventilators, the number of Respiratory Therapists who can safely operate this equipment is limited. Please do not make the health care providers’ job harder, follow safety guidelines, use common sense and together we can overcome this disease. Folks, whether you agree with me or not and whether you like it or not, the corona virus is here and we are all in this together.

### **Ordinance Review**

The Board of Aldermen will review Sections 9.05 -9.10 of Section 9 – Building Ordinances. Section 9 – Building Ordinances is one of the most used sections of all the ordinances since it describes the guidelines on how all major building construction is approved within the Village. Careful consideration is given on how a resident’s plans for new or remodeled construction matches the IRC 15 Guidelines and the charge to the Board of Aldermen to assure the regulations for health, safety, and welfare are met for all residence in the Village of TimberCreek Canyon. Chapter 9 will be reviewed in sections due to the length of the ordinances for this group.

**Items that are on the May 14<sup>th</sup> Board agenda that may be of interest to residents of TCC:**

1. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON DISASTER DECLARATION FOR THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERCREEK CANYON
2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER VILLAGE HEALTH AND SAFETY
3. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDINANCE 2020-2, AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERCREEK CANYON CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 9 - BUILDING, Review 9.05 - 9.10
4. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER POTENTIAL TIMBERCREEK CANYON COMMUNITY BUILDING
5. UPDATE ON PROPOSED TIMBERCREEK CANYON WEBSITE
6. UPDATE NEW GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS FOR TOWER AT HACKBERRY
7. REVIEW OUTCOMES OF VILLAGE CLEANUP DAY-MAY

**Next Board of Alderman Meeting**

The Board meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup> is open to anyone interested in attending. You may use your computer, tablet or phone to attend.

Logons are listed below.

**Timbercreek Canyon Regular Meeting**

Thu, May 14, 2020 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CDT)

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**UPCOMING DATES 2020; Mark your calendar!**

TCC Village Day – June 15th

FireWise Picnic – TBA

Village Fall Clean Up – October 3<sup>rd</sup>

