

MAYOR'S MESSAGE March 2020

Water Under the Bridge



No, it's not a mirage, there is water under the bridge and some distance down the creek. Water has been released somewhere up stream and thankfully, it has added some water to the creek. The reservoirs upstream must be full for the water to flow into our portion of the creek and for this we are grateful. As many of you are aware, Lake Tanglewood backs up to about a quarter of a mile in Palisades from the Osage entrance to Timber Creek Canyon (TCC). The ponds are full at Camp Don Herrington so this means that TCC is the only area between Canyon and Lake Tanglewood lacking in sufficient water to fill the creek. This just proves the old adage that "life is not fair". Pray for rain this Spring!

Skunks

Driving area roads it is evident that skunks have become the number "1" road kill and indicate the number of skunks that must inhabit the county at this time. 2019 was noted for the number of rabies cases in the panhandle and the major vector is skunks. The signs for rabid animals include but not limited to:

- 1) unusual behavior – this includes wild animals that appear friendly and nocturnal animals that appear active during the day (skunks are nocturnal)
- 2) an increase drool or saliva
- 3) animals that appear very sick, aggressive or mean
- 4) animals that have difficulty moving or dead www.health.zone

Report any unusual animal behavior to the Police Chief: Jeremy Hoffman 673-8535.

Ordinance Review

The Board of Alderman continue to review of Village Ordinances. Ordinances are added, modified, or deleted as needed between these reviews, but it is good to stand back and make

sure there are no conflicts and the ordinances cover the Village's needs. Ordinance Sections being review at this time are Section 8 - Zoning and Section 9 – Building Ordinances.

The Village of TimberCreek Hazard and Mitigation Plan

The Hazard and Mitigation Plan should be completed and adopted by the Board this month. The Hazard and Mitigation Plan looks at disasters or catastrophes that could befall the Village and develops a plan-of-action for all these events. An approved plan makes the Village eligible for FEMA assistances. All communities must have an approved plan before they can receive FEMA disaster assistance if funds become available. This has be a long process but the Board is confident that it will be well worth the effort. The Board appreciates the work from Kurt Grant and Emile Nolte at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) for their efforts to complete this process.

Items that are on the March 12th Board agenda that may be of interest to residents of TCC:

1. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER VILLAGE OF TIMBERCREEK CANYON HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
2. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON VILLAGE OF TIMBERCREEK CANYON PERMIT AND INSPECTION FEES
3. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDINANCE 2020-2, AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERCREEK CANYON CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 8 - ZONING
4. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDINANCE 2020-3, AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERCREEK CANYON CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 9 - BUILDING
5. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING JOE SHEHAN ENGINEERING FOR FIRE STATION RUNOFF PROPOSAL
6. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER POTENTIAL TIMBERCREEK COMMUNITY BUILDING
7. UPDATE ON REGULATIONS FOR WEBSITES AND MUNICIPALITIES
8. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INSTALLING TOWER AT HACKBERRY PROPERTY

UPCOMING DATES 2020; Mark your calendar!

Village Spring Clean Up – May 9th
TCC Village Day – June 15th
FireWise Picnic – TBA
Village Fall Clean Up – October 3rd