

Spencer City Star



Vision Statement: *"The Good Neighbor City" where quality of Life is available to all!*

Mission Statement: *To promote the existing peaceful atmosphere while providing quality services to our community through public awareness, public safety, communication and beautification, utilizing economic development as a means to enhance a positive future.*

City Hall will be closed November 11th for Veteran's Day and the 26th & 27th for Thanksgiving



- **Planning Commission Meeting** - Thursday, November 5th, 6:00 pm
- **City Council Meeting** – Thursday, November 19th, 7 pm

LIFE CHANGES & WELLNESS CENTER, INC.

Located at 8515 NE 25TH Spencer, Oklahoma 73084 will for the 1st year be a part of the Child Nutrition – Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) to feed children ages 6-19. For more information you may contact Mrs. Gail Dial – Director @ 405-796-7045 or 405-204-6761.



NOTIFICATION OF WATER SHUT OFF

In the event of a water main break or water leak repair and the water will be shut off for more than 2 hours an alert will be posted on the City Web Site, Facebook Page and TV Channels 4, 5 and 9.

2020 BULKY WASTE SCHEDULE

11/30/2020

***City of Spencer*... "TOGETHER WE ACHIEVE THE EXTRAORDINARY!"**

City Managers Corner
Huey P. Long

Emergency "ICE STORM" Waste Management Collection...

Residents due to the excessive damage throughout our community, the City of Spencer is in the process of getting a proposal from Waste Management for the purpose of assisting the community with cleanup of excessive tree limbs throughout the City of Spencer! Obviously, this level of destruction rises to the level of FEMA, and we will be under strict guidelines and documentation in the cleanup process. To assist our residents in the cleanup campaign, we are asking our residents to cut limbs in six (6') foot lengths. Do not place limbs under power lines, near gas lines, water meters, fire hydrants, and not on the roadway. This request is mandatory due to the overhead equipment that will be used to remove the limbs from your property.

Please place tree limbs in the right-of-way and observe the requirements listed above. CAUTION...if you have limbs touching power lines or power lines on fence structures "DO NOT TOUCH," please call OG&E and report immediately! To date, Oklahoma has experienced one (1) death from the storm and Two (2) deaths from the Carbon Monoxide Poison from Home Generators...therefore make sure you properly ventilate Generator Systems!

City Hall...

Citizens, please be aware we are in the same situation as you regarding public utilities! No power, no internet, and no phone service during the ice storm. Therefore, as our public utility companies restore services to our community, we hope to have our utility bills delivered in a timely manner, however, if delays to restore power, phone service, and internet are delayed, your monthly utility bill may be delayed. If that is the case, the Spencer Utilities Authority will "not" assess late fees in the event your bill is not received in a timely manner. Also, the Spencer Police Department, Fire Department, and Public Works Department have been without phone, power, and internet.

REAP GRANT APPLICATION...

The City of Spencer recently submitted our second ACOG REAP GRANT APPLICATION for a Waterline Improvement Project to replace 1,200 linear feet of aging 3" and 4" waterline on N.E. 25th Street. If approved, the new line 10" PVC distribution line will loop to the Spencer Booster Station. The total project cost is \$156,750.00 with the City of Spencer providing the local match of \$56,000.00. The intent of the Waterline Improvement Project is to make significant improvements to the City of Spencer's Utility Authority providing sufficient water pressure and volume to our neighborhoods and commercial districts. ACOG approved the extension of a 12" and 1,300 linear foot of Waterline on N.E. 50th from Baker to Shadynook at a cost of \$150,000.00 and matching funds from the ACOG REAP GRANT in the amount of \$38,000.00.

Bond Refinancing Project Update...

The City of Spencer Police recently purchased a new patrol car in the amount of \$26,000.00. REAP Grant Funds will equip the vehicle. Two (2) additional vehicles will be purchase in January, 2021 and will be equipped with REAP Grant Funds. This will be the first time in many years that new patrol vehicles have been purchase for the Spencer Police Department. In addition, Body Cams will be purchase for and required for all Spencer Patrol Officers. Again, funds provided by REAP Grant Funds. Presently, the City of Spencer has six (6) full time certified officers and two (2) reserve officers. Less than one year ago, the City of Spencer Police Department served the City of Spencer with two full-time and one part-time officer.

Other refinancing bond projects in the que is the demolition project at Kringlen Park which will be advertised for bid in the near future and the Spencer Public Works Department Building Project. This project is in the proposal stage and will include a new addition to the existing Spencer Public Works Building in the amount of approximately \$50,000.00.

The "SMART METER" Project has been approved by Governmental Capital! Approximate cost \$500,000.00. This project will replace approximately 1,500 aging residential and commercial meters in the City of Spencer Utilities Authority. The new system will replace manual meter reading with an automated system equipped to send meter readings directly to the utility billing system. The technology will enable the utility division to provide accurate meter readings, daily readings, flag leaks, and many other improvements to assist the user and staff regarding utility operations and the overall management of the utility billing system. The project includes installation of meters, electronic signal, hardware and software necessary to operate the system. Estimate of project completion approximately four (4) months from date of signing lease purchase agreement.

Warren Peacock, City Engineer, is nearing the final stages of providing architectural renderings for Kringlen Park. Once the renderings are finalized, the Mayor and City Council will hold a public forum for the purpose of reviewing the architectural renderings and seeking community input regarding the development of Kringlen Park.