



TO: Mayor and Members of the Town Council

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1. On Saturday, November 6, 2021, members of Boy Scout Troop 771 competed landscaping on the northside of the roundabout on Crawford Road. The project was led by Major Hermann, son of Councilmember Cynthia Hermann, as part of his Eagle Scout project. Approximately 20 volunteers were involved in the project including fellow scout members, parents, Town of Argyle staff and Denton County Master Gardener John Ankeny. The project consisted of planting 34 3-gallon containers of pampas grass, 10 Texas sage trees and four vitex trees. This project was also done in conjunction with the 2021 Argyle Arbor Day tree giveaway. It was an enjoyable experience and the group learned a lot throughout the process. The main takeaway for me was how hard the ground is in North Texas. When you drive by this, remember the value of scouting and how they give back to the communities in which they live.



2. The 2021 Argyle Arbor Day tree giveaway was a huge success. There were 160 trees given to residents last Saturday, November 6, 2021. This event couldn't be possible without our sponsors, BPS Technology and TreeNewal. Thank you to residents who registered for trees and we encourage you to stay tuned for next year's Arbor Day event, which will be bigger and better than this year's.

3. Keep Argyle Beautiful is having its annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony on Saturday, December 4, 2021. It will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Cross Timbers Church. Join your neighbors as we illuminate the Christmas Tree at a festival where everything is free and hosted by area churches! Including hotdogs, fresh popcorn, Christmas cookies, coffee, hot cider, cocoa, wassail and candy canes from Santa & Mrs Claus. Enjoy live music, crafts and see a live nativity. KAB will also be accepting donations to Argyle Food Bank and toys for an Angel Tree. The Town of Argyle is a proud sponsor of this event.

4. The next Argyle Business Association networking event will be Thursday, November 18, 2021 at Precision Fit Labs - 811D Stonecrest Road, Suite 9, Argyle, TX 76226. Precision Fit Labs is the Business Spotlight for the month of November and you can read more about the business in their Q&A [here](#). Mark Miller from Hillwood Development Company and the Metroport Chamber will be speaking at this event. Business owners in the 76226 ZIP code are all invited to attend this free networking event. Register for the event [here](#).
5. On Veteran's Day, November 11, 2021 the Town of Argyle and Keep Argyle Beautiful worked together to place 60 American flags along US 377. The flags were up from sunrise to sunset in honor of those who have served our country. We thank those who have served.
6. Jagoe is in the process of completing the items that were identified on the Crawford Road punch list. This week, Jagoe was able to hydro mulch the area. Before the town allows Jagoe to remove the erosion control fence, we must have established ground cover on all slopes. The sidewalk crossing at Unity Park concrete was poured and the cracks that have developed on the roadway have been filled. The town will be monitoring the movement associated with the cracks to determine if additional work will need to be done under Jagoe's two-year maintenance bond. The soil settlement problem, which occurred on the Country Lakes HOA property, is caused by the shifting of the 36-inch drainage pipe which was installed. The town is requiring Jagoe excavate the drainage pipeline and relay it. This work should be done in the next two weeks.
7. On Monday November 8, 2021, the Community Development Team received the Town's Month End Operations Activity Report for October 2021 from SAFEbuilt, the town's contractor for building inspection. The October Operations Activity Report indicates that SAFEbuilt issued 57 residential permits and completed 54 plan reviews, as well as issued 1 commercial permit and completed 2 commercial plan reviews. A total of 494 residential inspections were completed, with a 70% inspection pass rate, while a total of 3 commercial inspections were completed with a 100% inspection pass rate for the month.
8. Over a year ago, the Town of Argyle had several meetings with Oncor about the frequent power outages we were experiencing. Aaron Patterson from Oncor said that most of the outages would be addressed with the installation of an autotransformer. Oncor was slated to perform the install this time last year, but the autotransformer was delayed from the manufacturer because of COVID. Oncor finally received the autotransformer in April 2021 but the rain in May and June made the work area too wet to work in. Oncor made a business decision not to install the transformer in June because of the hot temperatures and decided to get through the hot months. When the actual autotransformer will be installed is still unknown. It is my understanding that they will provide the town a couple weeks' notice prior to installation. When the installation occurs, there will be an extended outage. We will let the public know when this will happen.