



TO: Mayor and Members of the Town Council

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1. The Crawford Road Project continues to be on schedule; however, it is now time for the contractor to begin shifting traffic. Mid-morning on Monday, April 12, 2021, Jagoe will be instituting a traffic shift on Crawford Road at the roundabout. Westbound traffic will be shifted onto the northern half of the roundabout and continue westbound from there. This will allow Jagoe to begin construction of the south half of the roundabout. In addition, traffic will be able to travel through the roundabout onto northbound John Paine Road. This should eliminate the cut through traffic at St. Marks Catholic Church and eliminate the detour at Carnegie Ridge Road. It will be several weeks before Jagoe moves traffic onto the new asphalt they have laid down. Several driveways need to be finished before this can be done. The Town realizes the existing asphalt on Crawford Road is deteriorating and will continue to work with Jagoe on additional traffic shifting. A message board at John Paine Road will reflect the new traffic pattern advisory beginning today. The existing detour route is still in effect.
2. At the April 7, 2021 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, the board approved an extension request for the Creekview Ranch Phase 2 development located off Fincher Road. The developer, as a part of his Preliminary Plat application, is seeking three variances. The first variance was from Section 14.2.90.D.7a which deals with the maximum length of a cul-de-sac. The second variance was from Section 14.2.90.D which requires pavement width of 30 feet for a local residential street. The third variance was from the Town's requirement to submit a Tree Survey and Tree Mitigation Plan at the time of platting. The Board did discuss these variances with the developer and Town staff does expect a modification from his original request.

The Board also decided to hold an additional meeting in April due to the number of items which were scheduled for the May 5th meeting. With granting the extension to Creekview Ranch Phase 2, there are now 10 items.

The Board will hold a virtual meeting on April 28, 2021 discussing the following items:

1. ROW Abandonment Application – Highland Circle

2. Castle Development Argyle Phase 2 Site Plan
3. Public Hearing: 816 5T Ranch solar SUP (NorTex solar)
4. Public Hearing: 403 Trigger Trail solar SUP (NorTex solar)
5. Creekview Ranch Phase 2 Preliminary Plat.

The May 5, 2021 meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission will discuss the following items:

1. Harvest Phase 13 Preliminary Plat
2. Canyon Falls Village 9 AR Amended Preliminary Plat
3. Canyon Falls Village 9 AR Final Plat
4. Heath Estates Phase 2 Final Plat
5. Argyle Landing Preliminary Plat

Those items on the April 28, 2021 meeting which require Council action will be placed on the May 3, 2021 Council meeting.

3. A certificate of occupancy was issued for Rapid Med on April 6, 2021. Rapid Med is a one-story 5,825 square foot medical office facility, located on approximately 1.03 acres zoned Village Center-Mixed Use (VC-MU) on the southeast corner of US Hwy 377 and Cook Street. The facility is equipped for immediate medical attention for conditions that are not critical or life threatening. The site has 42 parking spaces, including 2 e-vehicle charging stations and 2 bicycle rack spaces. Signage for the site is reviewed and approved through a separate sign permit process.
4. Town staff has received an update from Cardinal Strategies on the Graham Branch storm water modeling project. Cardinal Strategies have been engaged to develop the pre-development Hydrologic Modeling System model. The HMS model for the Graham Branch will be the baseline condition model that all storm water modeling work within this area will be based on. In addition, they have a built-in River Analysis System model which will be used with their preferred routing. The HMS model that represents today's condition is still being set up. They are about 90% complete at this time. Their storm water report on the Graham Branch is about 50% complete. The Town should receive their preliminary report on April 14th. This information will be shared with developer within this basin.
5. The Town of Argyle has had our health insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield for numerous years. Recently, Anthem (another Blue Cross Blue Shield Association member plan) agreed to settle a lawsuit that was challenging elements of the Blue Cross Blue Shield association's licensing agreement. A \$2.67 billion Settlement Fund has been created. As part of the settlement itself, a settlement administrator will determine the eligible claims members notifying eligible claim members and distribute payments as approved by the court. The amount of individual payments and to whom they will be distributed is not yet known. The

Town of Argyle will be filing a claims form as part of the settlement agreement. Currently, the Town has no idea the value of our damages and will need to wait for the court to contact us.

6. Communications Coordinator Julia Falcon created a report on how the Town Council meeting recaps are performing online 24 hours after they were posted. These recaps were posted on the Town website, Twitter, Facebook, Nextdoor and LinkedIn. From the March 16th recap, there were 82 pageviews, 53 were direct entries (from email), 2 views were from websites (Facebook) and 9 views came from internal pages (which include the homepage, where the recaps are kept for 2 weeks). Of the page exits, 17 left and went to internal pages (mostly the home page and to the alerts page). There were 58 unique pageviews for this recap. From the April 6th recap, there were 111 pageviews, 77 were direct entries (email) and 7 from websites (Facebook and the NewsBreakApp). There were 19 views from internal pages, notably with 37% of those views coming in from the maps page. There were 21 who left and went to internal pages, with 29% going to the maps page. There were searches for “Furst” and for “Furst Ranch” on this day. There were 91 unique page views.
7. We have received a donation request from the Dawson, Texas police department for the donation of a police vehicle. The Dawson Police Department is a small department of 3 officers and one of their vehicles recently became disabled due to mechanical failure. They are down to a single vehicle to patrol their city. We are in possession of a 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe that is due to rotate out of our fleet and, instead of selling it at auction, we are recommending to Town Council that we donate it to the City of Dawson so they can effectively provide police service.
8. After the killing of “Tom the Turkey”, our police department was able to locate and charge the person responsible for Tom’s death. We were also able to recover several feathers and Tom’s beard. A local artist produced a drawing of Tom and a taxidermist produced a shadow box containing this drawing and Tom’s feathers. This shadow box will be presented to the town to display for citizens within Town Hall.
9. On Saturday, March 27th, an Argyle resident reported via social media that an unknown individual had taken a package from their driveway. The resident also provided video of the suspect’s vehicle, though the video did not show a license plate. Using the newly installed License Plate Reader (LPR) cameras, the Argyle Police Department was able to identify the suspects’ vehicle within hours of the initial report of the theft. The suspect was interviewed, the property was recovered, and the offense was cleared by the Argyle detective by filing a warrant for the suspect’s arrest.