

# City of Bethany Newsletter

## City Manager Appoints Public Works Director

The City would like to congratulate David Buchanan on his promotion to Public Works Director! David was promoted to Deputy Director in July 2015 and stepped in as Interim Public Works Director in April 2016. During that time, he has worked tirelessly to not only maintain each division that he supervises, but to implement much needed changes and improvements. Congratulations David!



## Long Time P&Z Member Resigns

*April 2017*

At the March 2nd meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Chairman Ron Burchett announced that he is resigning as Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Chairman Burchett was appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission by our previous Mayor, Bryan Taylor, and has served on the Commission for over 10 years, with 4 of those years being as Chairman.

Chairman Burchett served the City of Bethany on the Planning and Zoning Commission with great thoughtfulness, patience, and passion for the City. Though his leadership will be missed, we wish him the best in his future endeavors.

## Online Bill Pay

Did you know that you can pay your City of Bethany utility bill online at NO COST!?

Just visit our website at [www.cityofbethany.org](http://www.cityofbethany.org), go to the "Online Payments" section and set up your account! It's a quick and easy process. Once you have an account, you can view your bills, make changes to your existing account(s) and pay your bills online at no cost to you!

## Severe Weather Info

As we are entering the severe storm season here in Oklahoma, we would ask that you stay weather aware.

As you are aware, the local television stations here in Oklahoma are the best source of severe weather information and provide the earliest warning of severe storms and tornados.

The Bethany Police Department often receives dozens of calls wanting severe weather information. Please know that they have no specialized weather equipment and rely on local media for weather information as well. If you hear weather warning sirens, this is the time to take cover, please do not call the police department to ask why the sirens are sounding.

If severe weather does happen here in Bethany and your power is out, please report the outage directly to OG&E at (405) 272-9595. Please be aware that the City of Bethany has no public storm shelters and residents should have a shelter plan in place before a severe storm arrives.

## Big Trash Pickup

April 2017

We are pleased to announce the commencement of our big trash pickup on a quarterly basis! The next big trash pickup will be April 17 – 21. We will commence on the 17th at 6:00 AM.

As a friendly reminder, we are all wishing to clean up our community. We cannot achieve this if clutter and debris are laying around neighborhoods for lengthy periods of time. Therefore, please refrain from placing items curbside before Friday, April 14. This will be for one week only. To ensure pickup of items, please have them curbside no later than 6:00 AM Monday, April 17.

The Public Works Department will start on the North side of town and work to the South. During this the event, we will use heavy equipment on streets with limited space. For your safety and ours, we would encourage residents to seek alternative routes if you encounter our cleanup crews. Please be advised that temporary street closures may occur and delays are possible.

### Items that will not be collected:

Tires; Refrigerators/Freezers/any items containing chemical refrigerants; Paint; Oil; Pesticides; Batteries; Any Liquids; Asphalt Shingles; Propane Tanks or pressurized cans; Commercial trash; Any other hazardous materials.

### Bulk Trash Guidelines:

Each residence limited to 12 cubic yards (equivalent to 6 washing machines in a row stacked 2 high); All items must be placed within 12' of curb; Limbs/branches should be placed parallel to curb & no longer than 10'; Don't place items for pick up around fire hydrants, gas meters, under low lying trees or directly under overhead lines; Don't park cars in front of anything you want picked up; Don't stack trash against fence lines or next to mailboxes.

### Citizen Collection Station:

If you miss your opportunity for curbside pick-up, please feel free to use our Citizen Collection Station located at 5300 N. Central Ave. The Collection Station will be open from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM from April 17th - April 21st, 2017. During this quarterly event the use of the Collection Center is free to residents. Cubic yard limitations do not apply if you choose to use the Collection Center. Each Collection Center participant is responsible for unloading their own vehicle or trailer. We cannot assist with equipment. Please bring your water bill and a photo ID for proof of residency.

## City Recognizes Public Works Crew

The City would like to recognize and say THANK YOU to our amazing Public Works crew for all of their hard work on the City Hall grounds & around the rest of the City!!!

