

# NOTES FROM THE FRONT

## THE CITY OF DEL CITY



June 19, 2009

### Del City Council

Brian Linley	Mayor
Dick Carter	Ward 1
Bill Giles	Ward 2
Ken Bartlett	Ward 3
Mike Grimmett	Ward 4
Mark Edwards	City Manager

### Helpful Telephone Numbers



City Hall  
(405) 677-5741

Police Department  
(405) 677-2443

Fire Department  
(405) 671-2891

Economic Development  
(405) 671-2812

Public Works  
(405) 671-2873

Utility Billing  
(405) 671-2820

Inspections & Permits  
(405) 671-2814

Community Center  
(405) 671-2868

Code Enforcement  
(405) 671-2818

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular city council meetings take place every first and third Monday at City Hall located at 4517 SE 29th Street, Del City, Oklahoma. The next City Council meeting will be on June 15th and will be held at the new City Hall located at 3701 SE 15th. The last regular meeting was held on June 01, 2009.

- Council approved minutes of regular meeting of the Council June 1, 2009.
- It was approved to use Alliance Personnel Services for FY 2009-2010 to provide temporary labor to be utilized in Park Maintenance Division in amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.
- Council also approved the use of Oklahoma Publishing Company for FY 2009-2010 for publication of advertisement for position openings in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.
- An agreement with Westlaw for FY 2009-2010 was authorized and will provide books and online research tools for use by the Legal Department.
- Blanket purchase order was authorized for FY 2009-2010 not to exceed \$5,000.00 for using AmeriWorks Occupational Health Center for medical services for pre-employment physicals/drug screens and fit-for-duty physicals.
- Council approved using McAfee & Taft for labor relations, consulting and representation as required in matters relating to labor relations for FY 2009-2010 for amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.
- A blanket purchase order not to exceed \$3,000.00 was approved to be used at Sam's Club to purchase concession items for resale at the Eagle Harbor Aquatic Center.
- A blanket purchase order was also approved for FY 2009-2010 to A-Deal Services in an amount of \$6,000.00 for Code Enforcement abatements.
- The FY 2009-2010 Budget for the City of Del City was adopted.
- Council approved Oklahoma County Del City Jail Services Agreement for FY 2009-2010.
- Contract with ThyssenKrup Elevator for FY 2009-2010 was approved for \$165.00 per month to provide monthly elevator service/maintenance.
- Council approved disposal of records.

## CITY JOB OPENINGS

**Building Inspector** - \$33,622.90 - \$45,033.74 + Benefits

**Code Enforcement Secretary** - \$22,773.00 - \$30,502.41 + Benefits

**Vehicle Mechanic - Fleet Maintenance** - \$27,671.53 - \$37,062.62 + Benefits

**Sign Fabricator - Street Dept.** - \$25,103 - \$33,622 + Benefits

**Meter Reader - Water Line Maintenance** - \$20,660.00 - \$27,671.53 + Benefits

**Animal Control Officer** - \$25,103.38 - \$33,622.90 + Benefits

For further information, contact Human Resources at 671-2827

TODAY IS THE OFFICIAL DAY  
FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2009  
CITY HALL HAVE A NEW HOME.



AS OF JUNE 7, 2009 BUFFALO WILD WINGS  
OFFICIALLY OPENED IT'S DOORS.  
DEL CITY WELCOME THE FIRST OF THE  
NEW BUSINESSES TO COME, THAT WILL BE  
A PART OF THE  
NEW DEVELOPMENT  
LOCATED AT I-40 AND SOONER ROAD.



**DEVELOPMENT**

## Police Report

The Police Department is holding Oral Boards this week for selection of Officers for the SWAT team. Officers being considered for the team will be interviewed on their police experience, work ability and expertise with firearms. The Police Department has had a trained SWAT Team since the team was initially formed in 1989 by City Manager Mark Edwards, former Chief of Police. They respond to high risk search warrants, hostage situations or any high risk police action that may occur. Detective Joe Sterling and Detective Travis Holland are currently attending the 2 week Technical Investigator School being conducted by the Oklahoma City Police Department. The Detectives are learning valuable techniques for investigating crimes, processing crime scenes and identifying suspects

## Firehouse Happenings

### Focus on Fire Apparatus and Equipment

The pride of any fire department is its people and its apparatus. Both are essential in the daily operations of the fire department. The firefighters need dependable apparatus, or fire trucks, to supply water, carry equipment, and carry manpower to the scene, and the apparatus needs quality trained operators to drive the trucks safely to the scene and properly pump the truck to extinguish the fire. It takes both working in tandem to effectively do the job. In Del City, the Department maintains 3 pumping apparatus in its fleet of vehicles. Ladder 1, a 2000 E-One model 75' aerial capable of pumping 1500 gallons of water per minute, is housed at fire station 1. Engine 2, a 1995 model E-One pumper and Engine 3, a 1989 model Pierce pumper, are both housed at fire station 2 and both are 1250 gpm pumpers. Engine 3 is the Department's reserve engine. On a structure fire, the Department's protocol is to have the pumper in the district of the fire call, go straight to the fire and begin fire extinguishment operations. Then, the second arriving pumper locates the nearest hydrant to the fire scene and lays a supply hose from the hydrant to the first arriving pumper. The pumpers carry anywhere from 500 to 750 gallons of water in the onboard tanks, so quickly locating a water source is essential. Ladder 1, the Department's aerial apparatus, provides multifunctional capabilities. It has a large assembly of equipment, fire attack hose, supply hose, ventilation saws, an assortment of ground ladders, medical equipment

and as a huge asset to the Department, an elevated nozzle that can assist in providing a water stream to extinguish a large fire, such as an apartment or a commercial structure. One comment that is commonly heard from citizens is the amount of time spent by firefighters cleaning and washing the truck. What isn't seen is the amount of time spent cleaning, maintaining, and repairing all of the equipment that is carried on the trucks. Every morning, the trucks, the pump and the equipment are checked for proper performance and prepared for the next call. Each Monday, the trucks and equipment are given a more thorough evaluation and cleaning, and on the last Monday of the month, an even more thorough check-out process is performed where additional maintenance is done. Maintaining the truck, the equipment and all of the tools are done with one thing in mind; public safety. Every piece of equipment, whether it is a fire hose trying to protect life or property, to ground ladders used to rescue people or gain access to the roof, to extrication equipment used to free a victim from a wrecked car, are cleaned, inspected, maintained or repaired on a daily, weekly and monthly basis to be ready in a seconds notice. Del City Firefighters take pride in their equipment and apparatus and their dedication to the maintenance adds to the readiness and longevity of the large investment of firefighting and lifesaving equipment.



## Preliminary Housing Inspection Program Statistics – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter.

373 Total Inspections  
272 Initial Inspections  
100 Reinspections

120 Full Certificates  
190 Provisional Certificates

62 Properties Failed Inspection  
51 Failed Properties Ready By End of Quarter

### Conclusions

84% of houses passed inspection, either fully or with minor repairs needed.

16% failed inspection. Of this 16% that did not pass, most were repaired within the quarter and are now much improved and ready for habitation.

Property owners and real estate agents continue to take advantage of the preclearance option, which eliminates delays for tenants and purchasers.

All inspections were conducted within 72 hours, unless otherwise requested.

## The Good & The Ugly

Clean-up Continues in Del City...



## DEL CITY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT A CALENDAR OF SEASONS

In the world of emergency management, the calendar revolves around the different seasons, but not winter, spring, summer and fall. The emergency management calendar is tornado season, wildfire season, winter storm season, and currently in parts of the country, hurricane season. We just finished our spring tornado season with a few near-misses and only one official tornado warning for Del City in May. As we head into the hot, humid months of summer, it's important to remember to not let your guard down. Take this time to review with your family and co-workers the importance of having an emergency response plan and preparing an emer-

gency supply kit. If you are planning a vacation, take some time before the trip to learn about the area you are visiting. If the Gulf Coast states are your destination, you may want to review what to do during a hurricane or a tropical storm. If your summer keeps you here in Oklahoma, remember, it's only going to get hotter! Plan activities early in the morning or later in the evening to keep out of the extreme heat of the day. Drink plenty of water and pace yourself accordingly. Take plenty of breaks if you work outside and use plenty of sunscreen. The world of emergency management not only involves the risks associated with natural disasters, but also has to consider the manmade threats as well. What is important to remember is to be vigilant! Be aware of your surroundings and report any suspicious activity to your local law enforcement. The Del City Office of Emergency Management wishes everyone a safe summer. Continue to BE READY! Be Informed! Have a Plan! Prepare a Kit! For more information, visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) or [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov).



While this guy did a good job of preparing for the hazards above, he failed to plan for the disasters beneath.

CITY UPDATE



## Oklahoma Model Boat Association Welcomes You to Our



### **RADIO CONTROL BOAT RACES**

I.M.P.B.A. District 6 Sanctioned Race

Hosted by the Oklahoma Model Boat Association

Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 5pm

Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 8:30am to approximately 3pm

Eagle Lake, Del City

Some of these boats are capable of 80 mph.

Spectators Free – Bring your lawn chairs and ice chests.

For entry information, go to - -

<http://www.oklahomamodelboatassociation.com/>

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## **Del City High School Alumni** *Hall Of Fame*

The Del City High School Alumni Hall of Fame Committee announces that it is seeking nominations for inductees into the school's Alumni Hall of Fame. The Committee seeks nominations of former Del City High School students who have **ACHIEVED RESPECT, FULFILLED DREAMS, EXPERIENCED AND STRUGGLED WITH LIFE, PERFORMED WELL, MET OR SURPASSED EXPECTATIONS** and **DESERVE RECOGNITION**. The inductees will be announced at the Del City High School Academic Awards Assembly on November 6, 2009. Individuals will be selected based upon criteria exemplifying accomplishments in education, military service, professional/business career, community/public service and continued involvement with Del City High School and/or the Del City Community.

The Del City High School Alumni Hall of Fame Committee will be accepting nominations through September 1, 2009. You may submit your nomination electronically or print the nomination form from the website at [www.dchsalumni.org](http://www.dchsalumni.org). Printed nomination forms may be submitted to the Del City High School Alumni Hall of Fame Committee, P. O. Box 15445, Del City, Oklahoma 73155.

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**If you have future announcements or events concerning Del City that you would like included in future publications of this newsletter please email your request to: [econ@cityofdelcity.com](mailto:econ@cityofdelcity.com) with newsletter in the subject line.**

**THANKS TO ALL!**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS**

The only way of finding the limits of the possible is by going beyond them into the impossible.

Arthur C. Clarke