

For Your Information

Weekly

FROM THE CITY MANAGER & STAFF

August 4, 2017

The City of Clewiston welcomes Natasha Hayes as its new Library Director. Please visit the Clewiston Public Library to meet and congratulate Ms. Hayes.

The City of Clewiston is currently accepting nominations for the 2017 Outstanding Community Service Award. If you know of someone who you feel deserves this honor, please complete a nomination form and return it to City Hall. Nomination forms are available at City Hall and on the City's website. Nominations will be accepted until August 18, 2017.

Dates to Remember

August 7, 2017 – Planning and Zoning Board Meeting

August 17, 2017 – Golf Course Advisory Board Meeting

August 17, 2017 – Clewiston City Commission Workshop and Budget Workshop

August 21, 2017 – Clewiston City Commission Meeting

Staff Reports

Community Development Director Travis Reese reports:

- Fire Marshal Reese has completed the annual inspections on all of the Hendry County Public Schools in Clewiston. Their maintenance staff is working on some last minute corrections. The teachers are all busy preparing their rooms and sprucing up the hallways in anticipation of the new school year.



- There will be a Planning and Zoning Board Meeting on Monday, August 7, 2017, at 5:30 pm. The only agenda item is to discuss accessory structures.

Library Director Hayes reports:

- Remember you can get your e-books free at www.hendrylibraries.org.
- **For information regarding any of our programs, please call the library at (863) 983-1493 and remember to visit www.hendrylibraries.org. Like us at www.facebook.com/clewistonpubliclibrary .**

Golf Course Director Robbie Rush Reports:

- **Get all Clewiston Golf Course news by signing up on Constant Contact.** Go to the City of Clewiston website, and sign up on Constant Contact. You will be automatically put on the golf course e-mail. The Clewiston Golf Course also has a Facebook page with pictures and all golf course information.
- Summer memberships are now available.
- Summer rates are now in effect at the golf course.
- **For more information call golf shop 863-983-1448**

Recreation Director Lance Ramer reports:

- **Adult Water Aerobics** Classes take place every Tuesday from 6-7pm. Cost is \$5.00 payable on the day of class.
- Ballfield crew has begun aggressively spraying for evasive weeds on “ALL” soccer game fields at Sugarland Sports Complex this week. 2nd round of Tribute was completed this week and the 14 day repeat round of Revolver and Sencor will begin next week. The rains last week have slowed the process a bit...
- Ballfield crews have begun aerating and top dressing the Soccer Fields at Sugarland Sports Complex. The rains last week have slowed the process a bit as well...
- Recreation staff has cleaned, inventoried, repaired and put back into storage, equipment used during Summer Camp.
- Adult Men’s and Co-Ed Softball continue their season this week, with some regular scheduled games and some make-up games. Games begin at 6:45pm Monday-Thursday on Field #9 on the Big Quad at Sugarland Sports Complex.
- The Splash Pad is open daily from 9am-7pm.
- C.S. Mott Pool is OPEN for public swim on the following schedule until school begins on August 10th.
 - Saturdays 10am-6pm
 - Sundays 1-6pm
 - Monday-Friday 10am-6pm
- **UPCOMING** Weekly highlights for Clewiston Recreation
 - Aug. 5th – 50th Wedding Anniversary 5-9pm John Boy Auditorium
 - Aug. 5th – Birthday Party 4-8pm Youth Center
 - Aug. 6th – Baby Shower 2-6pm Youth Center
 - Aug. 6th – Cougar Cheer Meeting 9am-6pm Beardsley Room
- Go to www.clewistonrecreation.com to check us out and get information regarding all your recreational needs.

Public Works Director Sean Scheffler reports:

- **Boat Basin Repairs:** (1) Work was scheduled to start on Monday but as usual it's raining and you can't do paving work on wet ground. The contractor was able to start on Tuesday. Please be aware of the equipment and workers.
- **Mosquito Control:** The Okeechobee Blvd. trap count was over 1,500; Harlem trap count was over 300; and the Sports Complex trap count was over 800. We are scheduled for a ground application on Thursday with a back-up air mission if needed on the weekend.
- **Street Division:** (1) Staff pulled maintenance on the big pieces of equipment while it rained on Monday. (2) Strong winds during the rain events blew over tipper carts. A Street Division employee was out standing up carts so the automated truck could service residents. (3) Litter control and mowing continued when weather allowed.
- **Facility Maintenance Division:** (1) The Plantation Shutters in the lobby of the John Boy Auditorium have been repaired and the "T" trim has been installed. (2) Old landscape material has been pulled and a new landscape plan is in the works for the John Boy Auditorium. (3) The exterior of the John Boy Auditorium building is being power washed and prepped for painting. (4) Bids for painting the inside of the John Boy Auditorium building are due on Monday August 7.
- **Employment Opportunity:** Qualified mechanics are encouraged to contact Human Resources at the City Hall for more information on this open position.
- **Reminder:** All driveway aprons are required to be installed by February of 2018. For more information, call Community Development at 983-1500, Public Works at 983-1471 or the Code Enforcement Division at 983-1454. A permit and inspections are required.

Utilities Director Williams reports:

- Electric Activities:
 - Repaired street lights
 - Installed underground service
 - Changed two transformers due to storm
 - Located service lines for new jobs
 - Checked and cleaned all pole bonds and insulators on line going to sewer plant
 - Traffic light loop troubleshooting
 - Installed flag and repaired light at John Boy auditorium
- Please remember to register with CodeRed (Reverse 911). This system allows us to contact you in case of an emergency or with other informational announcements. You may register by clicking on the CodeRed link at the bottom of the City's website page www.clewiston-fl.gov. You may update your information at any time through the same link.
- If you are considering replacing your air conditioner or insulation, remember the City offers a rebate program for those items. Most local contractors participate in the program and can give you information. You can also visit our website at www.clewiston-fl.gov or call our office.
- DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR METER BASED SURGE PROTECTION! Visit our office today.
- ONLINE BILL PAY IS AVAILABLE on our web site at www.clewiston-fl.gov or www.municipalonlinepayments.com/clewistonfl.

PLEASE BE AWARE OF UTILITY PAYMENT SCAMS: Scam artists are calling Utility customers posing as employees of Clewiston Utilities and threatening disconnection of services if payment is not made immediately. Please be aware:

- 1) Clewiston Utilities will NEVER request you to purchase money cards or gift cards to pay your account over the phone.**
- 2) Clewiston Utilities will NEVER contact our customers on the weekend and threaten disconnection of services.**
- 3) Clewiston Utilities will NEVER speak to our customers in a threatening tone.**

If you feel you have been a victim of this scam, please contact Clewiston Utilities to verify the call or the Clewiston Police Department and file a report.