



City News

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MEETINGS

- February 6th**
6pm – BPS Bd of Ed
- 6pm – BETA**
- February 9th**
6:30pm – Planning Commission
- February 15th**
6:30pm – Special City Council
- February 21st**
6pm – Bd of Adj
- February 23rd**
3:30pm – Juvenile Court
- February 28th**
2:30pm – Traffic Court
- 6pm – City Council**
- 6pm – BMIA**

*All City Boards, Commissions, & Authorities meet at Blanchard Municipal Courthouse unless otherwise noted

Agenda Action

The Blanchard City Council and the Board of Trustees of the Blanchard Municipal Improvement Authority discussed, considered and took appropriate action on the following agenda items at their regular January 24th meeting:

CITY COUNCIL

- ◆ Held Public Hearing regarding application for Outdoor Recreation Grant with the Oklahoma Department of Tourism and Recreation;
- ◆ Authorized application for Outdoor Recreation Grant;
- ◆ Accepted offer from W & W Construction to purchase of city-owned land;
- ◆ Adopted Special Non-Emergency Ordinance No. 649 regarding the sale of land;
- ◆ Adopted Resolution No. 2017-01 directing the filing and notification of the publication of the 2016 Supplement to the Blanchard Code of Ordinances;
- ◆ Approved Consent Agenda.

TRUSTEES

- ◆ Declared surplus of 2183 water meters; and to dispose as appropriate;
- ◆ Approved Consent Agenda.

Canadian River Crossing



Plans have been approved and a Permit to Construct has been issued by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). Legal documents to obtain the necessary

EVENTS

February 2nd

◆ Groundhog Day

February 12th

◆ Lincoln's Birthday

February 14th

◆ Valentine's Day

7am – School Board

Election

February 20th

◆ Presidents' Day

February 22nd

◆ Washington's
Birthday

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website at
pioneer.lib.ok.us/home*

easements have been prepared and mailed to property owners at and near the River for the new water connection alignment. If we obtain all necessary easements to include the one from the Oklahoma Commissioners of Land Office by February 28th this will allow for publication advertising for bids; bid award by March 28th and construction to begin on or about April 7th.

Election



To vote on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14th** in the local school board election. All precincts will be open from **7am to 7pm**.

BLANCHARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD MEMBER - OFFICE NO. 2

Liz George

Mitch Fitzgerald

Everbridge System

Please go to www.mcclain-co-ok.us to sign up for the McClain County Mass Notification System.

This free service is only available to residents of McClain County and allows citizens to receive general and emergency information that may affect you and your family as well as automated weather alerts specific to addresses you enter to include notices of water shut-off due to leaks, road closures, and other emergency notices from the City of Blanchard.

Since alert emails are sent as mass-mailings, your email filter may send it to your SPAM Folder. Be sure to allow emails from @everbridge.net into your email in-box.

See more at: <http://mcclain-co-ok.us/everbridge-the-new-notification-system/#sthash.FDJKUVoF.dpuf>.

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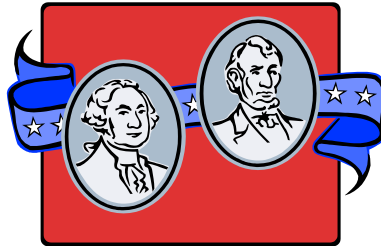
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President's Day

Monday, 20th of February, will be observed as President's Day.



In the United States, Presidents Day is always celebrated on the third Monday of February. Trash service is unaffected. City Offices are open for business.

School Incentive Grant



The City of Blanchard has been awarded \$11,460 grant toward the purchase of outdoor gym fitness equipment for the Crystal Lake Trails that will feature the Greenfields Outdoor Fitness apparatuses as pictured above.

The purchase of this equipment will go towards a match for the new walking trail connecting Southpark to Lions Park.

Shelter Registration

Blanchard Emergency Management would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that severe storm season is fast approaching. We want to express how important it is for everyone to register their home's storm shelters and safe rooms. The City of Blanchard storm shelter registry provides emergency services with information that allows them to locate citizens after a tornado or other natural disaster. Registration helps ensure that people in shelters affected by the storm are able to get help quickly with the potential of shelters' exits being blocked due to debris or structural damage. Registration

is doubly important with the possibility of shelters flooding due to broken water lines or simply rain waters entering the shelter and drowning people trapped inside. Registration forms include your address, list of persons who would normally be present at the home and could potentially be in the shelter, the location of the shelter/safe room on the property, and contact information for yourself and an emergency contact. If you have previously registered and some part of your information has changed, feel free to submit an updated form. If you have a question as to if your shelter is registered please contact the Emergency Management Director/Fire Chief Charlie Largent at the Blanchard Fire Department at 405.485.3939.

Registration forms available at Blanchard City Hall and online www.cityofblanchard.us/document_center/storm_shelter_registration.pdf. Please return all registrations to the Blanchard City Hall, 122 North Main Street, Blanchard, OK 73010 or you can mail them to P.O. Box 480, Blanchard, OK 73010 c/o Blanchard Emergency Management.

Water Conservation Tips

Thinking about redesigning your landscape? Add water-wise and Oklahoma native plants instead of cool-season grasses, like tall fescue. Drought tolerant plants are attractive and require less water and maintenance than tall fescue lawns.

Black-Eyed Susans and Blanket Flower attract butterflies to the garden. Russian Sage and Yucca provide unique texture and Catmint and Rosemary introduce fragrant foliage to the landscape.

For more Oklahoma appropriate plants go to Oklahoma City's www.SqueezeEveryDrop.com.