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#### Elected Officials:

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#### Council Members

Jeff Albers	316-3151
Kassie Gile	640-4043
Greg Kampling	540-6145
Carl Koster	542-0353
Phil Mize	542-3830

#### City Departments

City Hall	542-3622
Maintenance	542-3815
Library	542-3331
Fire Dept.	542-3155
Police Dept.	542-3173
Cherry Oaks	540-0133
Emergencies	911

## Administrator's Report by Randall Oliver

With the start of the new year I would like to welcome our newest employees, Galen Sears- Maintenance Department, Mason Schell and Jeremy Watts- Police Department, Angela Gassmann- Utility/Court Clerk and Kassie Gile to the City Council.

The City is currently looking into a utility reading system that can read all of the gas and water meters from a remote site. This kind of system can read the meters in just a few hours and can also help determine if a large leak is happening on the customer water meter and alert them before it creates a large bill or damages. Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) solutions will let us automatically collect consumption, diagnostic and status data from your water and gas devices and then transfer that data to our central database for billing and analysis.

Work has stalled a bit on the newest ball diamond due to the weather. We have raised the ball diamond and added the 10-foot warning track along the fence line. We will be installing the fence, irrigation system and backstop this spring. We are installing 6 LED parking lot lights and will add lighting to the playground equipment.

I have decided to retire this year towards the end of April. In 1967 my brother and I contracted to mow the city parks and well houses for one year. That was my first job with the city and we used a 19" push mower. I started working for the City full time the first week of September 1973 as a general laborer. I became the City Superintendent about 7 years later and then became the City Administrator in 2009. I have seen several changes over my 44 years and will truly miss my coworkers as they have been great to work with.

**Congratulations to Utility Clerk/Court Clerk Evelyn Mize on her Retirement February 6th, 2018! Evelyn has been a dedicated employee for the City of Cheney since February 12th, 1996.**

### ***Sidewalk Grant***

**Do you have a sidewalk that needs repaired or replaced? Or do you wish to install a new sidewalk? The City of Cheney offers a \$750 sidewalk grant (per frontage).  
Apply at City Hall!**

### **Upcoming Events:**

Kansas BBQ  
Shootout- March 2-4<sup>th</sup> (@ Fairgrounds)

Cheney  
Community-Wide  
Garage Sales-  
May 24-26<sup>th</sup>

City-Wide Clean-up- June 2nd

Sedgwick County  
Fair- July 18-21st

### **Police Department**

**Greetings from the Cheney Police Department. As we usually do each year, we like to remind citizens to please clear their vehicle windshields and side windows of any frost, ice, snow, etc. Take the extra time to do this so your view while driving is not obstructed.**

**Also, just a few other reminders, regarding some city ordinances/state law that most people don't realize. We receive occasional complaints on the parking of trailers on city streets, parking of vehicles on yard areas and pit bulls being prohibited in the City. If you have any questions about these three items, please call the police department with your questions or stop by the City Offices.**

Chief Winter

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## Cherry Oaks Golf Course

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Season passes are on sale now!

Country club golf at a public price...Cherry Oaks Golf Course is now offering a wide array of season pass options. From Juniors (K-12) to Seniors (60 +), weekday to unlimited, we have green fees and golf cart passes suited for everyone at affordable prices. Leagues will be starting as soon as March! We are your host course for all benefit and fundraising golf tournaments.

Call today, 316-540-0133 or visit us at [www.cherryoaksgc.com](http://www.cherryoaksgc.com).

**WINTER SPECIAL \$25-18 holes w/ cart Monday-Sunday.**



## Maintenance Department

Brad Ewy [bewy@cheneyks.org](mailto:bewy@cheneyks.org)

With Old Man Winter making his presence known lately, there are a few things homeowners can do to help prevent water line breaks. Never leave a garden hose attached to an outside faucet. This actually increases the risk of frozen pipes. If you have an area of the house/building that gets very little heat, keep a low flow of water (trickle) out of faucets. Sprinkler systems should be winterized. Also, if snow is in the forecast, be aware of vehicle parking placement as the snowplows will clean the streets. Please remember that it is **ILLEGAL** to turn your water meter back ON after the maintenance department has shut it off. This falls under Theft of Service.

### Golf Cart/Utility Vehicle Rules

Please be aware of the rules for operating Golf Carts and Utility Vehicles inside the City Limits. Per State Law, some rules are different between Golf Carts and UTVs.

- Drivers must have a valid driver's license and be 16 years of age.
- **No golf cart** can be operated on any highway, street, road or alley with a posted speed limit in excess of 30 miles per hour.
- Do not operate golf carts or UTVs on sidewalks or other public use areas.
- **No golf cart** shall be operated on any public roadway between sunset and sunrise.
- **UTV's may be operated between sunset and sunrise** if they are equipped with lights.
- Liability coverage must be provided.
- A slow-moving vehicle emblem must be displayed.
- A valid City tag must be visible.

**Don't forget to renew your golf cart tags for 2018!**

## Cheney Public Library

*Experience Winter* in February.... a library program just for adults! With each activity you participate in, you will be entered into a drawing for gift cards to Texas Roadhouse & Cold Stone Creamery. Programming will include *Color with Wine*, *Cinema Night*, *For the Love of Books* and *Staff Picks*. Come in to inquire and get your schedule!

If you are interested in a book club, the library is the place for you! We meet on the first Tuesday of every other month. It is a great time to meet other people while talking about a selected book from our group. Join us for Story time on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. You will enjoy stories, crafts, music and snacks! All ages are welcome.

Susan Woodard, Director

### Cheney Fire Rescue made 322 runs in 2017

-62% were medical calls

-76% of the calls were in Sedgwick County, and 24% in Kingman County.

Previous years saw the following total number of calls:

2016- 350	2012- 392
2015-418	2011- 368
2014-338	2010-349
2013-329	2009-373

**Cheney Recreation Commission** has many upcoming programs in February and heading into spring time. Tae Kwon Do, Pee Wee Indoor Soccer, Mom and Me Paint Night, Flag Football, Blastball, Yoga, Zumba, Youth Painting, RIPPED, and Baseball/Softball Leagues, plus more. Check them all out on our website at [www.cheneyrec.com](http://www.cheneyrec.com). Don't forget that you can register on our website too! Follow us on Facebook for program updates and more.

Chickens and Dogs and Cats, Oh My!

Animal Waste Disposal: Cheney City Code: 2-125

Individuals with immediate control of an animal who defecates on public right-of-way, public property or private property of another, must immediately remove and properly dispose of the feces.

When walking your pet, individuals must carry a suitable container or other suitable instrument for the removal and disposal of animal feces.

Keeping Animals: Cheney City Code 2-109

It is unlawful to possess and maintain fowl within the city. "Fowl" include chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys, guineas, and pigeons.

No person shall harbor more than four dogs or four cats.

The entire City Code can be read on our website at [www.cheneyks.org](http://www.cheneyks.org)