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WHO TO CALL AT CITY HALL?

General Information
352-3675

Municipal Court
352-5977

Street Department
352-5818

Water Bills
352-2066

Library
352-3434

Adopt A Unit Program Kicks Off In Taylor

The Team Taylor/Hutto Adopt A Unit program got off to a great start with a fly-in by a Longbow Apache helicopter from the 1-4 Attack Reconnaissance Battalion from Fort Hood on Saturday, April 26.

More than 200 children had the opportunity to see the helicopter up close and sit inside the advanced helicopter that was flown in by Cpt. Rod Pauletto and 1st Lt. Ross Ridge.

Commanding Officer LTC Brian Bennett and his wife, Amy, were at the Taylor event with their children. Congressman John Carter and Precinct 4 County Commissioner Ron Morrison also were on hand to show their support of the program. Mayor Pro Tem Don Hill and Council members Rod Hortenstine and Ella Jez were present to assure LTC Bennett that the City of Taylor will do its part to support their troops and families.



Congressman John Carter, LTC Brian Bennett and County Commissioner Ron Morrison at Adopt A Unit event.

The cities of Taylor and Hutto have jointly adopted the 1-4 Attack Reconnaissance Battalion, also known as the Dragon Battalion, consisting of 400 soldiers and 24 Longbow Apache helicopters.

Service organizations, churches, civic clubs, families and individuals are invited to participate in the program. To find out ways to help, contact the Chamber of Commerce, 1519 N. Main, 352-6364 or City Hall, 400 Porter, 352-3675, where donation boxes are located.

New Downtown Neighborhood Zoning District Open House

The City of Taylor will hold an Open House at 6 p.m., Monday, May 12, in the City Hall auditorium located at 400 Porter St. This is an opportunity for the public to discuss the proposed rules relating to the new Downtown Neighborhood Zoning District and changes to the Future Land Use Map. The Downtown Neighborhood Zoning District is recommended in the 2004 Comprehensive Plan and is designed to encourage small-scale mixed-use commercial/residential development.

The public is invited to the Open House. Refreshments will be served. For additional information, contact John Elsdon, City Planner at 352-3863.

Building Safety Week May 5 - 11

Mayor Benito Gonzales proclaimed May 5 – 11, 2008 as Building Safety Week during the April 22 City Council meeting.

Sponsored by the City of Taylor and the International Code Council, the City will highlight the importance of local building codes to protect citizens and property from fire, unsanitary conditions and structural failure.

Building safety and fire prevention codes address all aspects of construction, such as structural soundness of buildings, reliability of fire prevention and suppression systems, plumbing and mechanical systems, and energy efficiency and sustainability. To ensure buildings are safe requires the active participation of building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, builders, engineers, and others in the construction industry, as well as property owners.

The City will observe Building Safety Week by disseminating information about building codes to the community.

For more information about local building codes, call the City's Community Development Department at 352-3863 or visit www.buildingsafetyweek.org



**Taylor's
Bloomin'
Festival**

Saturday, May 3, 2008
10 am - 5 pm ~ Downtown Taylor, Texas

Arts & Crafts • Children's Area • Kids on Wheels Parade
Classic Auto Displays • Plant Swap • Pet Show
Bingo • Beer Garden • Great Food & Drinks
Live Music all day long on 3 Stages

Free Admission for Festival

For more information call 512-352-5448

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Swim Season to Open in May

City pools open Saturday, May 24 and will be open through Labor Day, September 1.

The Murphy Park Aquatic Center will be open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 12 noon until 8 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 8 p.m. The pool will be closed Mondays for maintenance.

Robinson pool will be open Saturdays from 12 noon - 6 p.m. and Sundays from 1 - 8 p.m. Extra days at Robinson Pool will include June 19 and 20 and July 4.

For pool party information, contact the Taylor YMCA, 365-3463 or the pool at 352-3958.

Brush Pickup Limits

Please be reminded that in order for brush to be picked up at the curb of a residence, it must be cut to no more than four foot lengths and placed at the curb the same day as regular garbage pickup.

Up to five cubic yards of unbundled brush will be picked up once a week. Five cubic yards is equivalent to four foot lengths stacked approximately four feet high and eight feet wide.

Bulk items such as mattresses, sofas and most household items also are picked up once a week on the regular pickup day.

For more information, contact Beverly Currie, 352-3633.

City Calendar of Events for May

May 6	Zoning Board of Adjustments @ 6 pm
May 8	City Council @ 6 pm
May 13	Planning & Zoning Commission @ 6 pm
May 20	Parks & Recreation Board @ 6 pm
May 21	Main Street Advisory Board @ 11:30 am
May 22	Airport Advisory Board @ 6 pm
May 27	City Council @ 6 pm

Agendas are posted at City Hall and at www.ci.taylor.tx.us.

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