

Mayor Comments

Summer is upon us and the city has been quite busy in the last month. By now you should have seen the affect on our traffic as a result of the repaving of FM 1093 that was to begin on June 15th and it should be completed by the 3rd of July. The good news is that the turn lane into Weston Lakes has been lengthened as requested by the City to allow a longer deceleration lane into Weston Lakes. We have established a new official bulletin board outside the Westerham exit. I would like to thank Jack Marshall, the President of the POA for allowing the placement. Please do not block the exit when stopping to read the bulletin board. Our official posting will be placed at this bulletin board, the Simonton City Hall, the Country Club MUD 81 bulletin board, as well as the City Web Site. Our Web Site is fully operational and has all of the City information. Bookmark the address <http://www.cityofwestonlakes-tx.gov> . By now our first Adopt a Highway trash pickup has been completed. It was scheduled for June 27th and I will report results next month.

We are preparing the budget for our next fiscal year. We will have a budget workshop on July 18th at 1PM at the Simonton City Hall. That will be followed by a budget public hearing on August 15th. Current projection continues to show a budget reserve for both this year and next. The City is also getting prepared for our election in November. The Election will be for Mayor and five City Council members. After the election the Mayor and two council members will be selected by lot to serve two year terms. The remaining council members will serve a one year term until 2011 when they will run for two year terms.

We are now into the Hurricane season and our Emergency Management Committee is hard at work trying to get ready for the season. Volunteers are needed. Please call our City Offices at (281) 533-0907. Senate Bill 361 passed the legislature and by this time has been signed by Governor Perry. The bill requires emergency backup power for all water companies private and public by 2011 which will solve some of the issues experienced in Riverwood Forest last year. I was successful in meeting with Aqua Texas in planning for this year's hurricane season. I can assure you that the communications have begun with Aqua Texas and I am hopeful that we will continue a dialogue with them. Please have safe summer and drive carefully.