



City News

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MEETINGS

September 11th

6p – BETA (No Meeting)

6p – BPS Bd of Ed

September 14th

6:30p – Planning Commission

September 19th

6p – Bd of Adjustment

September 21st

4p – Code/Complaint Court

September 26th

2:30p – Traffic Court

6p – City Council

6p – BMIA

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

Canadian River Crossing

Below is the anticipated timeline for the installation of the Canadian River Crossing to restore water services with the City of OKC as follows:

1. Access roads to both sides of the river have been constructed.
2. A portion of the pipe has been delivered to the site. The rest is in Texas waiting on water to recede so that the trucks can get to it. They estimate late next week on delivery of the remainder of the pipe.
3. Boring equipment is currently moving in.
4. Contractor is planning on starting the bore next Tuesday (12th).
5. Estimated time for completion of the bore is 30 days if there are no equipment failures.
6. After the bore is completed the next steps will be flushing the new line, connection to the existing lines, installation of air valves and vaults, driving piles and pouring thrust anchors, disinfection, and final clean up.

The date of completion of all WORK is scheduled for November 21, 2017, subject to the weather.

Food Truck Schedule



The Blanchard Parks & Recreation has scheduled the following food trucks to be in Blanchard listed below. The food trucks will be set up each **Tuesday** from **11am** to **2pm**, located on the empty lots at 200 North Jackson Avenue (just East across

the street from Pioneer Telephone). BON APETITE!

Okie Bills (BBQ)

Tuesday, September 12th

EVENTS

- September 9th**
- 8a ♦ Farmer's Market**
- September 12th**
- 11a ♦ Food Truck**
- Tuesday**
- September 14th -24th**
- ♦ Oklahoma State Fair**
- September 16th**
- 8a ♦ Farmer's Market**
- September 17th**
- ♦ Citizenship Day**
- September 18th -24th**
- ♦ Constitution Week**
- September 19th**
- 11a ♦ Food Truck**
- Tuesday**
- September 21st**
- 12Noon ♦ Chamber Luncheon**
- September 22nd**
- 3:02p ♦ Fall Begins**
- September 23rd**
- 7a ♦ AYCE Breakfast**
- 8a ♦ Farmer's Market**
- September 26th**
- 11a ♦ Food Truck**
- Tuesday**
- September 28th**
- 9a ♦ Legislative Breakfast**
- September 29th**
- 8a ♦ Nu Chi Golf Tournament**
- September 30th**
- 8a ♦ Farmer's Market**
- 10a ♦ Muffler's on Main**

For Blanchard Library Events: Please visit their website at pioneer.lib.ok.us/home

Mutts Hot Dogs (Hot Dogs)
Rolling Cafe (Steak Sandwich)

Tuesday, September 19th
Tuesday, September 26th

Legislative Breakfast

The Blanchard Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Legislative Breakfast on **September 28th, 9am**, at Restore Church, 203 W. Veterans Memorial Highway.

Their special guests will be Senator Paul Scott (R) and Representative Tim Downing (R).

Mufflers On Main

The City's third annual car and truck show will be held on **Saturday, September 30th** from **10am to 2pm**, on Main Street.

There will be entertainment for all with food vendors, games and live bands. For more information, contact Chris Wittenbach at 485-9392 or parks@cityofblanchard.us.

Odd / Even Watering

Effective as of July 1st, the City is under a mandatory odd-even watering schedule. For example: If your address is 1400, you can water on the 2nd, 4th, 6th of the month and so on. If your address is 1401, you can water on the 1st, 3rd, 5th, etc.

All watering shall be supervised in person to limit unproductive runoff. Water running in drainage ditches or streets shall be determined to be in violation of this restriction and punishable by a fine in the Blanchard Municipal Court.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6



CITY NOTES

Ever bridge 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>

Meetings All City meetings are held at the new Blanchard Municipal Courthouse located at 300 N. Main Street.

Recycling The City's Citizen Collection Center is opened to receive recyclables Monday thru Friday from 6:30am to 8:30am and from 4pm to 6:30pm. Also on Saturday from 8am to 12Noon. Visit our website for more information.

Police Blotter

JAIL REPORT for August 28th - September 7th:

9.2.17 • Rene Regalado arrested for DUI & Obstruction;

9.6.17 • Juvenile Male arrested for Possession of Marijuana.

Public Hearing

The City will hold a public hearing to solicit general comments regarding an application submitted by P & H Developers, LLC to re-zone property from the R-1, Single-Family Residential District to a PUD (Planned Unit Development) Overlay on the following described property as part of the Oasis Ranch (north Main Street):

A tract of land (approximately 32.45 acres more or less) being located in Section 19-T8N-R4W of the Indian Meridian, Blanchard, McClain County, Oklahoma.

The Blanchard Planning Commission will hold a "Public Hearing" on said Application at **6:30 p.m.** on **September 14, 2017**, at Blanchard Municipal Courthouse, 300 N. Main, Blanchard, Oklahoma, at its regularly scheduled meeting.

The Blanchard City Council will also conduct a "Public Hearing" at **6:00 p.m.** on **September 26, 2017** during its regularly scheduled meeting at Blanchard Municipal Courthouse, 300 N. Main, Blanchard, Oklahoma, IF the Planning Commission's recommendation is in favor of approving the rezoning request, at which time an ordinance amending the Zoning Code may be voted upon.

For more information, please call Ryan Conner, City Planner at 485-9392 extension 112 or email at cityplanner@cityofblanchard.us.

Public Notices - Free



Occasionally someone comments, "I wish I had known that the city was going to do that!" or "I see construction is being done on SH-9, what is going on?" All of these

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FEEDBACK

Please mail your
comments to:
City Manager's Office,
P.O. Box 480,
Blanchard, OK 73010
Or, email comments to:
citymanager@cityofblanchard.us

questions and many more can be easily answered if you will just subscribe to the "Blanchard News".

The benefit of these legal notices published in the local paper are:

- They are published by an independent source;
- They cannot be electronically changed or altered after the fact;
- They can be archived for future reference; and
- They are legally provable in court.

State law requires that the city publish legal notices of all ordinances, certain resolutions, bid notices, public hearings, zoning changes, projects, etc. in the local newspaper, before any activity can proceed. Also the local paper writes news stories of all projects, progress and repairs occurring around the city. In order to stay on top of everything happening in our community, the city encourages everyone to subscribe to the "Blanchard News."

A normal annual subscription is only \$25.00 a year, which is only 50¢ per issue, (the price of a stamp) delivered to your mail box...but...they are offering a FREE introductory special to any new or expired subscriber.

Just call the news office at 405-485-2311 to receive a FREE two (2) month subscription to the newspaper. You can also mail a form to them at PO Box 60, Blanchard, OK. 73010. You will start receiving the local paper in your mail box every Thursday. This way you can enjoy a trial subscription to the paper and you will be aware of everything happening in our great town.

Raising a Family

Recently, the research team from Elite Personal Finance has conducted a study on the best places to raise a family in Oklahoma for 2017. Blanchard has been ranked #3 behind Yukon and Coweta, which are #1 and 2, respectively.

The rankings are based on the latest legitimate sources like FTC, FBI and so on. The crime data is from information provided by the Blanchard Police Department to the FBI and OSBI.

Read more at <http://www.elitepersonalfinance.com/best-places-raise-family-oklahoma/>.

Sales Tax Collections

The City's September sales tax collections are more than one (1.6%) percent higher than the budgeted amount based on July retail sales of \$5,148,051. In addition, it is more than nine (9.5%) percent lower than last month's collections in August:

Month	Collections	Prior Year Δ
July 2017	\$198,621.83	11.6%
August 2017	\$225,512.22	-18.65%
September 2017	\$205,922.04	12.64%
TOTALS	\$630,056.09	-1.23%

Use Tax

The City's September use tax collections are more than one (1.84%) percent lower than the budgeted amount based on July collections of \$565,777. In addition, it is more than two (2.8%) percent higher than last month's collections in August:

Month	Collections	Prior Year Δ
July 2017	\$23,374.90	11.6%
August 2017	\$21,593.52	49.76%
September 2017	\$22,215.36	-56.27%
TOTALS	\$67,183.78	-20.48%

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.

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