



WESTCHESTER ENTRANCE. Earlier this year SJRA let a contract for the installation of a major water line from the new Lake Conroe water plant to major points in Montgomery County. In our area the pipe line will be installed along FM 830 and cross in front of Panorama Village from Rolling Hills West to the Westchester entrance and beyond. The original start date for construction was June 2013, but was delayed. The firm start dates to traverse our city limits is not specific, but this project should start soon. Due to the potential construction and digging along FM 830 the City delayed the Westchester Entrance. The city will now develop a project to upgrade the landscaping at the Westchester Entrance similar to the Panorama Drive and League Line Road Entrance. Expect to complete this spring, following the installation of the pipeline. In the interim, the City will do some planting of fall flowers.

ANGLIA HOMES – NEW HOUSING ON STONE CREEK. Over the past few months Anglia Homes have been completing the prep work to allow construction on 4 homes on the south side of Stone Creek. They have spent over 100K for this phase, to mitigate the underground spring that runs along the south side of the street, and prepare the soil to allow the proper construction of the slabs. The company completed their due diligence and a full report was given to the City Council by Thomas Manners, Vice President of Anglia Homes. The company has completed 9 homes and have 2 under construction; adding 4 more to Stone Creek. Our home inspector indicates that Anglia builds quality homes that have added value to our community.

CATAHOULA WELL. The well construction has come to and satisfactory conclusion, There are a few punch list items to be completed and the presentation of operations manual to our utility Department. All the test results have been provided to TCEQ and approved. The Catahoula water comes out of the ground and 106° F, goes thru the cooling tower, into the ground storage tank, then pumped to the elevated, and finally to the community. Catahoula well water started pumping to the community on November 14, 2013.

The collaboration with Shenandoah and Conroe has been positive for Panorama Village. It has insured our future water supply and allowed us to opt out of the SJRA ground water reduction plan. This saves Panorama Village monthly surcharges presently at \$1.50 per 1000 gallons and increasing in the out years. The start date for the Conroe portion of this project has not been finalized. When construction begins it will include installing specific equipment in the well area, and construction of a pipeline along the golf course to transport raw water to the Conroe system. More details about this water project will be provided to residents along the pipeline path under separate cover.

The pump output of the well will be 2000 gallons per minute, with the first 1000 gallons per minute dedicated to Panorama Village. Please note the total cost of the well is approximately 1.2 million was shared by Shenandoah and Conroe. All expenses associated with the well will be shared 90% by Shenandoah and 10% by Panorama Village. This includes the utility departments time spent on working the daily upkeep and maintenance on the well. Conroe will pay selected expenses directly. This is a win-win for all communities.

PANORAMA LAKE DREDGING. A citizen petition was presented to the City Council which now calls for a ballot initiative on the Cities May 2014 election, to decide if a bond can be issued to complete the dredging project. Early next year the Mayor will present a "State of the City" briefing that includes the pertinent facts and financing concerning this project.

FISCAL REVIEW. Both the City and Utility 2013 Fiscal year budgets finished slightly below the annual budget numbers. Considering all that was accomplished during the past year, there was a judicious allocation of City funds.

GOLF COURSE AND CARTS. City ordinance # 2005-295 lays out ground rules concerning non-golf activities on the course, mainly for safety considerations. The cart paths and green space are tempting location for pedestrian use and a dog run – which is happening almost daily. The ordinance gives the City the authority to enforce the ordinance, when necessary. However, some concessions have been allowed during non-golf paly, early mornings or late evening, with the caveat that if you come upon golf play you need to vacate the area quickly and safely. For those who walk their dogs on the course a strong reminder that the “pooper scooper” rule is in effect. This has been a continuing problem on the course and throughout the City.

TREE REMOVAL. By the time you read this letter the tree removal will have already started. We estimate about eight weeks to complete the project. The contractor has agreed that once they have completed the City project they will be able to assist residents at a mutual agreed price to remove trees on private property. Since the company is already here and marshalled his equipment, they could provide you a reasonable price for removal. Each resident would negotiate directly with the contractor. If you would be interested in a quote, provide your name and number to City Hall and we will pass it along to Abraham Tree Service.

WASTE MANAGEMENT. With careful consideration and input from the community we have decided to continue our contract with Waste Management. We will have trash pick-up two times per week and recycling one time per week. There will be no change in collection days but will have a slight price increase.

WINTER WONDERLAND 2013. Come join us for Winter Wonderland and the Village Clubhouse. There will music and dancing along with pizza by the slice. Limited menu items will also be available. This will be fun for the whole family. The children’s activities will start at 5:30 and go until 7:30. There will be several activities for the kids including free photos with Santa, Balloon artist, castle moonwalk and much more.