

Your Clearwater City Council has been busy this year. Here is a list of some City accomplishments for the first quarter of 2015.

ADMINISTRATION

- Burt Ussery was elected Mayor, Austin Wood and Laura Papish were elected to the Council.
- Ron Marsh was appointed to the Council to fill Ussery's unexpired Council term.
- The City Council hired a new City Clerk and new City Administrator.
- A agreement was reached with American Tower to increase the land lease for a cell tower by over 20 percent.
- Council submitted a proposal for a Transload Facility at the Clearwater Industrial Park. Such a facility would lift truck beds on and off of rail flat cars.

FINANCE

- The 2015 audit work was successfully completed.
- Clearwater in good condition with reasonable rainy-day cash reserves.
- Council approved an updated Purchasing Policy to provide better spending oversight.

PLANNING

- The Clearwater Planning Commission approved one zoning change, three zoning/subdivision variances, and the Preliminary and Final Plat for Park Glen Estates.
- Council approved strategy to take proposals for continuing development of City-owned lots in Chisholm Ridge subdivision. The City owns 37 lots as a result of a tax foreclosure.

POLICE

- The School Resource Officer Program at the schools has been discontinued for next school year.
- Police responded to 200 calls for service and 30 criminal cases during the first quarter.

PUBLIC WORKS

- The City is nearing the point of taking bids to dredge Clearwater's sewage lagoon in order to comply with State performance criteria.
- A water extension at Charles Engineering is underway.
- Public Works employees replaced and rerouted water lines to Garvey Complex which is served by Clearwater.

FIRE/EMS

- Wichita State was contracted to develop a strategic plan for the Fire and EMS operation to evaluate and assist in sustainability of those services in Clearwater.
- Ninnescah Township fire service contract was extended.

RECREATION

- A number of new improvements are underway at the City Park.
- Citizens should be thankful for the donation of products and services amounting to over \$30,000 for improvements to the Chisholm Trail Sports Complex.