

CITY OF OXFORD, NORTH CAROLINA
City Manager's Report
For Period Ending October 2, 2015

Introduction

- Listed below you will find the significant activities for the period from September 19th through October 2nd. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact me.

Upcoming Events

- **East Coast Bike Ride** - On Thursday October 8th, the City of Oxford and Granville County Tourism will host a rest stop for the East Coast Greenway Alliance cyclists as they travel from Fredericksburg VA to Raleigh. The rest stop will be at the Rotary Park picnic shelter, part of the Hix Gym Complex along Spring Street. ***Thirty-five cyclists are expected to arrive mid-late morning.*** Please welcome them by stopping by the picnic shelter or greeting them in the community. Oxford is fortunate to be a part of the East Coast Greenway Route. The Route is marked by the signs as indicated by Mayor Sergeant and the Granville Greenways.
- **Masonic Homecoming Festival** – October 10, 2015 9:00 am – 3:30 pm

Police

- Oxford Police Department successfully passed an Audit by NC Training and Standards on 22 September 2015. This was Oxford Police Department's first Training and Standards audit since 2001. The auditor, Mr. Beck, described our administrative staff's preparation of the audit as exceptional. The Chief was extremely impressed with the work that Ms. Janet Dix and Mrs. Christine Henderson did in preparation of the audit. I commend both these employees on a job well done. Thank you for your leadership in this area Chief.

Planning

- Planning Director Cheryl Hart is preparing a proposed city ordinance to address the issue of neglected and/or abandoned nonresidential structures. Once the city attorney has completed his review the ordinance will be submitted to the city council for consideration.

Engineering

- **750K Elevated Water Tank** – Our consultants have submitted a request for a low interest loan to fund the construction of this water tank to meet the ½ day required supply and provide for growth in the Triangle North Industrial Park.
- **Martin Luther King Drive** – Notification letters have gone out to the residents, businesses and property owners on Linden notifying them of the street name change. City Clerk Barb Rote did an excellent job in preparing a very informative letter and attachment brochure to help residents navigate the street name change.

Public Works

- **Water and Sewer** – Water tank maintenance has been completed and all tanks are back in service.

Recreation

- **Hix Gym** – The gym has been closed in preparation for its renovation. We have taken some additional time to confirm the absence of hazardous material. If such material is found, appropriate steps will be taken. There will be pre-bid conferences for the lights and the installation. We will also seek proposals to remove the ceiling tiles.
- **County Funding** – Congratulations to Chris Usry for her hard work in obtaining the full county recreation funding request in the amount of \$46,921
- **Football Equipment** –We will be replacing some football equipment which is no longer serviceable and safe. Football is a major part of our recreation program and provides opportunities for children who may not otherwise participate in our activities.

Finance

- The auditors will be in city hall working on the audit beginning the week of October 12th.

Technology

- **NPG** – We are still evaluating the options presented and expect to make a decision next week.
- **Tyler Computer System** – The Finance Department and other key staff are continuing to work with Tyler to coordinate the implementation of the important system. A new implementation is expected to be submitted by Tyler within the next few days.