

CROSS ROADS TIMES



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MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK



T. LYNN TOMPKINS, JR.
MAYOR OF CROSS ROADS

2023 In Review

This is the final newsletter of 2023; a new year is just around the corner. I wanted to take this opportunity to highlight some of the events of the past year. In January, the Council approved improvements to the audio/visual system in the Council Chambers to allow for more citizens to participate in Council meetings online. We also approved a shade structure for police vehicles that is designed to protect our fleet from hail damage. Other activities included the funding of street lights at Naylor Road and Sedona Lane at the entrance to the Oak Hill Ranch subdivision and updating our investment policy.

During the month of March, the Council adopted the 2035 Comprehensive Land Use Plan and voted to install stop signs on Historic Road at the one-lane bridge. April brought about the adoption of the 2035 Strategic Plan which established a road map to grow the community in a manner that reflects the 2035 Vision. Each of the Town’s boards, committees, and departments were tasked with specific goals in accordance with the vision. In May, the composition of the Council changed as Steve Zuczek and Chris Paus were elected to Council. Kay Neubauer chose to resign, and the Council appointed Stephanie Housewright to her position.

In late spring, the MDD conducted interviews with Cross Roads businesses to determine how to best provide support during the US 380 construction project. One of the suggestions was permitting temporary signs, which was adopted by the Town Council in June. Another suggestion was to expand this newsletter into a monthly mailing with a heavier focus on our businesses. In July, the Council adopted amendments to the subdivision regulations that provide more clarity for individuals wishing to develop in Town. In September we celebrated the Town’s 50th birthday with the newly established Cross Roads Founder’s Day event. The first event was a huge success and one we plan to hold each year, so mark the third Saturday in September (September 21, 2024) on your calendar and join us for the celebration!

October started the 2024 Fiscal Year. The adopted budget projects nearly \$400,000 in net income and allocates \$428,700 to road improvements. This is in addition to the funds the Town will receive from Denton County for the design and reconstruction of Fish Trap Road and Moseley Road and right of way acquisition, design and construction of the new east/west collector.

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MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

LOCAL BUSINESS HIGHLIGHT!



Mission:

"Work hard, have fun and make money by providing legendary service and great products as everyday low prices."

Hello Cross Roads Family,

My name is Bryan Lauderdale, I manage the Tractor Supply on 377 in Cross Roads TX. My team and I are so honored to serve and be a part of the Cross Roads community. Going on 85 years Tractor Supply Company has served many communities throughout the United States. Starting out has a mail-order catalog for tractor parts and growing into over 2000 stores. During that time Tractor Supply has transformed from a mail-order catalog into all your farm, ranch and pet needs. Offering multiple ways to save you money, financing options, pet washing station, trailer rentals, propane refills, delivery options and so much more.

My interest in Tractor Supply didn't start with the great products, it started with the people. Tractor Supply has shown that they live out their Mission and values and take care of their employees and customers in a way that makes you proud to work there. So come check us out and see what we can do for you, I would love to meet you.



BRASS TAP RIBBON CUTTING

The Cross Roads Municipal Development District held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Cross Roads Brass Tap location on Thursday, November 9th at 11450 US-380, Suite 160, Cross Roads, TX 76227. The Mayor, Chief of Police, and Town Administrator joined MDD in welcoming the newest restaurant to the area. Make sure to give Brass Tap a warm Cross Roads welcome by stopping in!

MAYOR'S LETTER (CONT.)

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As we move into 2024, we look forward to amendments to our zoning regulations to continue the work from our Vision 2035 plan, as well as starting a second major road improvement project and working towards the Cross Roads Police Department becoming an accredited agency.

I wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas.

Respectfully, Mayor T. Lynn Tompkins, Jr.

AROUND TOWN

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

12-29-1975

The Town Council adopted an ordinance prescribing regulations pertaining to the subdivision of land. This was the first ordinance around land use adopted by the Town.

12-29-1986

The Planning and Zoning Commission discussed the possibility of building a go cart track in Cross Roads.

12-06-1999

The Town Council adopted a resolution with the purpose of requesting the widening and modernization of Highway 720 from the intersection of Highway 720 and Highway 423 North to US Highway 380.

12-19-2006

The Town Council approved the Final Plat application for the Village of Cross Roads subdivision.

HOLIDAY MARKET

The Parks and Recreation Board will be hosting a Holiday Market on Saturday, December 16th from 9am to 2pm in the Cross Roads Town Park. Santa will be paying Cross Roads a visit at the market, so make sure you stop in and say hi!



TOWN PARK FUNDRAISER



Town Hall has Founder's Day shirts available for purchase!

The men's pocket T-shirt in a cream color are \$15. Available sizes include: men's large, extra large, and 2x large.

The youth shirts in gray are \$8. Available sizes include: youth medium and large.

The v-neck cut women's T-shirts in gray are \$12. Available sizes include: women's small, large, extra large, and 2x large.

The unisex T-shirts in a textured gray are \$12. Available sizes include: unisex small, large, and 2x large.

All shirt proceeds will go towards park improvements!

To purchase a shirt, call 940-365-9693 during Town Hall business hours.

FIRE AND POLICE UPDATES

NEW ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF



The Little Elm Fire Department has recently welcomed Jeromy Porter to their department as the new Assistant Fire Chief!

Porter most recently served as Deputy Chief with the Frisco Fire Department (2014-2023) and is a 27-year fire service veteran. Before serving in Frisco, Porter also served as Deputy Chief with Lake Cities Fire Department, spent the majority of his fire service career with LCFD and climbed the ranks within the organization during his tenure from 1996 to 2023, as well as part-time Division Chief with Argyle Fire Department from 1998-2009.

He has a Bachelor of Science in Fire Science from Columbia Southern University, an Associate in Fire Administration from Weatherford College, an Associate in Paramedicine from North Central Texas College, and multiple certifications in fire service and emergency medicine.

Chief Porter is married to his wife, Crystal, and has two children, Bryson & Jaily. He enjoys bass fishing, golf, and cruising with his wife on Royal Caribbean cruises.

CROSS ROADS CITIZEN ACADEMY



The Cross Roads Police Department is pleased to announce the formation of our first Citizen's Police Academy (CPA)!

Class will begin on Thursday January 25th and continue for eight weeks. Class times are 6:00PM to 8:00PM and will be held at the Cross Roads Police Department located at 1401 FM424, Cross Roads, Texas.

Participants will learn information related to operations of the Police Department, the hiring and promotion process, patrol procedures, traffic, and criminal investigation.

Applications are currently being accepted. Any Cross Roads resident, business owner or employee may participate in the program. Outside applications will be considered on a space available basis. Applicants will have a background check completed prior to being accepted into the CPA.

Seating is limited and anyone who is interested in participating should go to crossroadstx.gov/cpa.

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The Town of Cross Roads, TX

Elected Officials:

T. Lynn Tompkins, Jr., Mayor
David Meek, Mayor Pro Tem
Ron King, Council Member
Steve Zuczek, Council Member
Chris Paus, Council Member
Stephanie Housewright, Council Member

Staff:

Kristi Gilbert, Town Administrator
Shaun Short, Police Chief
Donna Butler, Town Secretary

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- The December Council meeting will be held on Monday, December 11th at 6:00 pm at the Police Department and on Zoom.
- Planning and Zoning Commission meets the 1st Tuesday of each month, 7:00 pm at the Police Department and on Zoom.
- Park and Recreation Committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Police Department.
- Municipal Development District meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Police Department.

All meetings, agendas, and support materials are posted online at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. For additional information, please contact the Town Secretary.