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A CITY WITH ROOM FOR GROWTH

A Message from Our Mayor

Hello Pine Forest,

Hope everyone is doing well. As you all know it has been five years since Hurricane Harvey. Thank God, we haven't had another storm of that magnitude. But, at the risk of sounding negative we all know that this is the time of year that we are most susceptible to hurricane activity. It's not time to let down our guard. Take the time to prepare in case of evacuation and watch Pine Forest Talk or call the office for National Weather Service updates. Please everyone be safe. Cathy Nagel

SEPTEMBER

Save the Date:

September 5- Office Closed for Labor Day

September 12- City Council Meeting 6 p.m.

October 10- Office Closed in Observance of Columbus Day

October 11- City Council Meeting 6 p.m.

October 31- Halloween

November 6- Daylight Saving Time Ends- Roll those clocks back!

November 12- City Council Meeting 6 p.m.

November 24- Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed

November 25- Office Closed for Thanksgiving



Hours of Operation

Business is open Monday through Friday 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM. Our City Council Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:00 PM.

Next City Council Meeting will be held on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM.



Keep our Community Clean & Safe

City Dumpster Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Every 3rd Saturday of the month the Dumpster will be open to Pine Forest Residents ONLY. You must make an appointment prior to your visit by calling us at 409-786-4100. Next Available Saturday is Sept. 17, 2022. Please keep our city safe. The city has received several reports of dogs running loose causing Postal Services and Utility providers unable to deliver. Please be a good neighbor and a responsible Pet Owner and keep your dogs on your property.

Monthly Meetings

Council Meetings are held at 6 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at City Hall, located at 305 Nagel Street, unless a Holiday falls on that date, the meeting moves to the next business day.



- Visit our website to view a copy of the agenda.
 www.cityofpineforest.com
- Special Meetings are called as needed and are posted on the website and at City Hall 72 hours prior to the meeting date and time.
- Citizens may speak to the council during the Citizens Communication portion. It is recommended that you show up 15 minutes prior to the meeting to sign in. Speeches are limited to 3 minutes.



PLEASE CONTACT US AT 409-786-4100 WITH ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR CONCERNS.

Observed the first Monday in September, Labor Day is an annual celebration of the social and economic achievements of American workers. The holiday is rooted in the late nineteenth century, when labor activists pushed for a federal holiday to recognize the many contributions workers have made to America's strength, prosperity, and well-being.

Have you heard the joke about the skunk and the camping trip?

Never mind ...it really stinks!



Where can I get a Covid-19 test?

If you think you have COVID-19 and need a test, The City of Pine Forest has just received FREE In-Home Covid Test that are available for our Residents to pick up Monday through Friday during the hours of 9:00-4:00 pm ONLY at Pine Forest City Hall. Please bring a photo ID with proof of address. 1 Test per Family Member will be issued. Supplies are limited.

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"It is only through labor and painful effort, by grim energy and resolute courage, that we move on to better things"

- Theodore Roosevelt

City Permitting

Pine Forest requires that a Permit be issued for any Modification to your property, building constructed or moved onto a property or for any improvement to your property, home or building. Permits can be obtained by filling out a Permit Application and these permits are valid for 180 days.

Some examples that require a Permit are:

- Construction of a new building or home
- Additions to existing buildings
- Substantially improving existing buildings
- Placing of manufactured (mobile) homes on a property
- Temporary building for both residential and commercial
- Agriculture buildings
- Concrete, Fill, grading, excavations, mining, and dredging

New Business in the City

Pine Forest Donuts

3665 N. Main Suite C

409-790-4180

Open Monday-Sunday 5am-12pm

Stop By and Grab you some Coffee &

Breakfast!



Please Slow Down!

The City of Pine Forest continues to encourage drivers to slow down. Especially during High Traffic. The posted speed limit is 30 MPH on Lakeview Cutoff and 20MPH down most City Streets. Please make this a safe place to live for our residents and our Children at play.

As a Reminder, please slow down. Not only does driving fast put you at risk, but those around you, such as other drivers and pedestrians.







Hurricane Season 2022

BE PREPARED, STAY PREPARED

Know Your Risk - Sign up for your community's emergency warning system. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio also provide emergency alerts.

Gather Supplies - Keep in mind each person's needs, gathering supplies for at least three days. Stock up on items such as food and water, non-perishable foods, firstaid supplies, prescriptions, pet supplies, flashlights and batteries. Don't forget to charge electronics you may need.

Personal Safety - In your "go kit" include items like hand sanitizer, face masks, wipes, and liquid soap.

Secure Documents - Remember to secure copies of important personal documents. Filing for government assistance requires documentation. Be sure to keep documents in a secure location and take them with you if you need to evacuate.

Protect Your Property - Shutter your home as needed, review your flood insurance policy (or sign up for one) and declutter drains and gutters. Most homeowner and renter insurance policies do not cover flood damage. A flood insurance policy generally does not take effect until 30 days after purchase, so be sure to maintain your policy.

Make Your Evacuation Plan - Be familiar with the route and shelter locations. Discuss and practice drills for your evacuation plan with your family each year.

Love our Newsletter?? We'd Love your feedback!

Please stay up to date with us on our city website www.cityofpineforest.com and Pine Forest Talk on Facebook. Our city newsletter will mail out monthly. If you no longer wish to receive our Monthly Newsletter by US mail, please call us at 409-786-4100 to be removed. Thanks.



ARE YOU PREPARED?

STAN, the Southeast Texas Alerting Network, is a messaging and notification system that keeps the communities of Southeast Texas informed about emergencies and other important events in the area. Through STAN, industrial companies and emergency management officials can quickly notify you about emergencies, industry or weather events occurring in Southeast Texas.



Local Emergency Management encourages you to sign up to receive alerts on your cell phone.





Visit the STAN website at www.thestan.com

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