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City of Pilot Point 2011 Budget Update

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The City of Pilot Point completed its 2011 Budget on September 27, 2010 in preparation for the new fiscal year. The City's budget year begins on October 1st of each year and ends on September 30th of each year. The City provided notices for the City's property taxes and the budget in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. A public hearing was held prior to the adoption of the budget, and no citizens were present to provide public comment.

The City's budget will include a \$0.68 cent tax rate for this new budget year. This rate is called the "effective rate" and generates almost the same amount of revenue that the city collected last year. The rate is \$0.04 cents higher than last year's rate, but it does not generate additional revenue for city operations.



The City Council and the City Staff have worked hard to lower City spending while trying to maintain quality services. Funding for a full time Code Officer was a point of discussion and one of the City Council's goals for the new year, so the new budget provides for a full time code officer. The Police Department is in the process of searching for a full time code officer.

A second point of concern was the maintenance of city streets. While no one wants pot holes and bumps and dips, a number of citizens also expressed concern about the seal coat work (gravel) that was used this last year. The City worked with Denton County to seal coat parts of Harrison, Jefferson and Prairie Streets. This type of street work is effective for street maintenance and repair and is considerably less expensive than other alternatives. The City will consider steps to improve the seal coat work in the future for a smoother surface.

The City will continue to provide essential services including:

Police	Animal Control	Water
Fire	Code Enforcement	Sewer
EMS	Streets	Drainage Work
Library	Parks	Senior Center
Main Street	Community Events	Economic Development
Refuse Collection	Planning and Zoning	Municipal Court
Building Permits	Health Permits	City Engineering

The total General Fund operational budget for the new 2011 Budget Year is \$2,321,653 and the Water and Sewer Enterprise fund budget is \$1,580,869. The Economic Development budget is \$158,000.

The City approved the issuance of new financing with the beginning of the new year for water line replacement, water tank repair and improvements, and for Down Town sidewalk and street improvements. These projects total to \$645,000 with most of the funding going to the Water System. The City also refinanced \$1,865,000 from the 1996 and 1999 improvements for streets, parks and the Waste Water Treatment Plant and was able to save over \$160,000 because of low interest rates.

The City budget is tight, but we look forward to a good year in Pilot Point, Texas!

Tom Adams, City Manager

- Mon. October 25** **6:30 pm**
City Council Meeting
Council Chambers – City Hall
- Tues. October 26** **6:30 pm**
City Council /EDC Goals Meeting
Council Chambers – City Hall
- Sun. October 31** **5:00—7:00 pm**
6th Annual Trunk or Treat
Sonic
- Sat. November 6** **7:00 am**
Bulk Trash Pickup
- Sat. November 6** **11:00—3:00 pm**
Pilot Point Christian Academy's
Fall Festival
- Thur. November 11** **CLOSED**
City Offices Closed for Veteran's Day
- Sat. November 20** **7:00 am**
Bulk Trash Pickup
- Thur. November 25** **CLOSED**
City Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
- Fri. November 26** **CLOSED**
City Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
- Sat. December 4** **7:00 am**
Bulk Trash Pickup
- Sat. December 4** **TBD**
Christmas on the Square
- Sat. December 18** **7:00 am**
Bulk Trash Pickup
- Thur. December 23** **CLOSED**
City Offices Closed for Christmas
- Fri. December 24** **CLOSED**
City Offices Closed for Christmas
- Fri. December 31** **CLOSED**
City Offices Closed for New Years Eve

Keep Pilot Point Beautiful is conducting their 2011 Membership Drive and looking for new members to join. If you are interested in becoming a member of KPPB please complete the application below and remit along with your membership dues to:

KPPB
PO Box 457
Pilot Point, TX 76258

I pledge to take responsibility to do my part to help make Pilot Point a cleaner, healthier, safer and more beautiful place to live, play and work.

I will volunteer time to help with a community project at least once a year.

I will pick up litter when I see it.

I will tell my friends and family not to litter.

I will keep my house and yard litter free.

I will recycle.

Membership fees are tax deductible.

Students	\$5
Individuals	\$10
Non-Profit	\$25
Business/Corp	\$50
Lifetime Member	\$100

Yes, I would like to support the efforts of Keep Pilot Point Beautiful and become a member today.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



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