



After Hours

For Public Works after-hour incidents (ie: water leaks, sewer backups, low-water pressure, no water, etc.) please call 405.485.9391. The City's Central Dispatch is manned 24-7 and will contact the on-call personnel regarding the incident.

Braum's Ice Cream & Dairy Store



The City Council is proud to announce that Braum's will be constructing a new ice cream and dairy store in Blanchard.

Braum's is set to close on property that's under contract in the very near future.

The Store will be located fronting on US-62 within the Blanchard TIF District No. 1.

Carbon-monoxide Warning

Due to the upcoming extreme cold and power outages, please be aware of the hazards of the following types of heating:

♦ **Never** use gas grills, propane grills, charcoal grills in a house, garage or enclosed area;

♦ All gas fire heaters **MUST** be vented to the outside to remove carbon monoxide from an enclosed are; and

♦ **Please** read and follow all manufacturer instructions for any heater.

Debris Removal Update

As of 2/3/2021, the total debris picked up are:

Contractor - 89,275.50 cy

Citizens Drop-off - 8,083.95 cy

Total debris - 97,359.45 cubic yards

This amount exceeds our original estimate by 49.95% of the debris from the October Ice Storm. Currently, there are 283.88 lane miles of roads. We have completed 130.2 lane miles or 45.86% completion rate.

All storm debris pickup will occur on the public right-of-way **ONLY**. **NO** household trash, **NO** construction material, and **NO** bags of leaves.

Fire Station Update

The City's second fire station is under construction at 785 5th Street NE. As of 2/05/2021, it is approximately 50% complete.

Heart Health Month

February is Heart Health Month! Are you at risk for diabetes? If so, you may also be at risk for heart disease. The American Heart Association says 65 percent of people with diabetes die from some form of heart disease or stroke. Do



you have diabetes? Some symptoms of diabetes to look for include frequent

urination, frequent hunger and thirst, blurry vision, feeling very tired, bruises and cuts that heal very slowly, unexplained weight loss, and numbness/tingling in the hands and feet. You may take the diabetes risk test at www.diabetes.org/are-you-at-risk/ by answering some basic health questions and your risk for diabetes will be calculated. For more information about diabetes prevention and education, you may contact the American Diabetes Association.

Meeting Calendar

February 11th ~ Planning Commission
 February 16th ~ Board of Adjustment
 February 18th ~ Juvenile/Code Court
 February 26th ~ Traffic Court
 February 26th ~ City Council
 February 26th ~ BMIA

Municipal Election

Blanchard voters will choose among 5 candidates in the April 6th Municipal Election for the Blanchard Council seats in Wards 1 and 4. The nonpartisan election will decide who represents those Wards on the Council for the next four-year term ending April 2025:

Ward One

Jim Cloud*

Joe Davis

Lonnie Bewley

Ward Four

Steve Misenheimer*

Chuck Kemper

*Denotes: Incumbents

Mayor Eddie Odle and Councilman Albert Ryans are unopposed in the At-Large and Ward 3 seats, respectively and re-elected by default.

Notice of Continuance

The Oklahoma Corporation Commission gave notice that the hearing on the administrative authorization to drill and complete the Goose 1-4, as a commercial saltwater disposal well proposed to be located in the SE/4 of the SE/4 of the SW/4 of Section 4-T8N-R4W, McClain County (north side of NE 55th and east of Rockwell Avenue) has been continued from February 5, 2021 to **March 5, 2021 @ 8:30 a.m.**, Corporation Commission, Jim Thorpe Office Building, First Floor, 2101 North Lincoln Blvd, OKC, OK 73105.

Oil 'n Gas

The Oklahoma Corporation Commission reported since January 29th that NO oil wells were completed in Blanchard.

However, they reported that one (1) oil well was permitted in Blanchard, McClain County:

TERRI 1621 #2H, December 21 2018
 21 8N 4W SENESWSW API: 08722202
 Lat: 35.14802574149177, Long: -97.63103628680929
 EOG RESOURCES INC
 MU, AM, 19993 ft, MISSISSIPPIAN(9670),
 WOODFORD(9790), HUNTON(9890)

On the PC Agenda

The Blanchard Planning Commission will hold their February meeting on Thursday, February 11th beginning at 6:30p.m. to discuss, consider and take appropriate action on the following agenda items:

- Binyon Rezoning (A-1 to C-5) for property located at the NW corner of SW 7th and US-62. He did not give a definitive reason for the rezoning request other than highway frontage commercial prospect for vacant land.
- Binyon Rezoning (R-2 to C-5) comprised of the land recently vacated west of US-62 just south of the storage units (also Binyon owned). Same reason of request, highway frontage commercial prospect of vacant land.

- Pre-Planning Meeting. A five (5) acre tract of land at the SE intersection of US-62 and Laura Meadows Drive. The applicant advising the Planning Commission on potential to rezone land in order to subdivide into 4-5 residential lots for single family homes. It is less than a quarter-mile (<0.21 miles) from the current 12-inch water main at US-62 and Morgan Road.
- Oasis Ranch Phases 3 & 4 sign replacement request. The developer is required to pay on a quote for regulatory signs needed for the subdivision.

Park Events

Mark your calendar for these upcoming Special City Events!

- March 13th** ~ St Patrick's Day Parade
- Mar - Oct** ~ Pop Up Parties
- May 5th** ~ Cinco de Mayo
- May 12th** ~ May Daze
- May 13th** ~ May Daze
- May 14th** ~ May Daze
- June 4th** ~ Movies under the Stars
- June 11th** ~ Movies under the Stars
- June 18th** ~ Movies under the Stars
- June 25th** ~ Movies under the Stars
- July 2nd** ~ Independence Day Celebration
- August 20th** ~ Bluegrass Festival
- August 21st** ~ Bluegrass Festival
- September 25th** ~ Mufflers on Main

October 30th ~ PumpkinFest

November 13th ~ Veterans Day Parade

December 11th ~ Xmas Parade

All events are subject to change due to weather or conflicts with other City events.

Police Blotter

The following people were arrested and jailed by the BPD:

- **1/28/21 ~ JONES, Bianna** arrested on Outstanding Warrants.
- **1/30/21 ~ ADKINS, Lance** arrested on Domestic.
- **1/31/21 ~ POOL, Casey** arrested on Outstanding Warrants.

Presidents Day

Monday, 15th of February, will be observed as President's Day.



In the United States, Presidents Day is always celebrated on the third Monday of February.

Trash service is unaffected. City Offices are open for business.

Public Notice

In accordance with the requirements of Title 11 of the Americans with

Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), The City of Blanchard will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs or activities.

Real ID

Oklahoma has recently begun distributing licenses which will satisfy the REAL ID standards for Oklahoma residents. In



October all persons boarding commercial planes or entering federal

facilities, including military bases, will be required to present a REAL ID compliant card. If you already hold a passport or military ID then your identification will meet these standards. State residents are not required to obtain an Oklahoma REAL ID. However, if you plan to fly, even on domestic airlines, federal law requires that you must possess a REAL ID compliant license. The state has provided a resource for educating residents on the implementation of REAL IDs. You may access this resource on the following website <https://www.realid.ok.gov>. If you have questions regarding your need to obtain a REAL ID or if you are

wondering how to obtain a REAL ID, please visit the state's REAL ID website.

Senior Nutrition

Curbside pickup and home deliveries will continue for the Blanchard Senior Citizens Center. The dining area is reopened with a limited occupancy of twelve (12), so RESERVATIONS ONLY.

MENU (Monday, Feb 8th to Friday, Feb 12th)

Monday ~ Goulash, Carrots, Peas, Dessert;

Tuesday ~ Ham, Potato Soup, Salad, Crackers, Dessert;

Wednesday ~ Chicken Pot Pie, Beets, Fruit, Dessert;

Thursday ~ Navy Beans, Tomato Spoon Relish, Potato, Cornbread, Dessert;

Friday ~ BBQ Meatballs, Parsley Potatoes, Broccoli, Roll, Dessert.

If you are 60 or older, you are eligible to participate free of charge. However, a suggested donation of \$2.00 is requested. Citizens under the age of 60 may participate but are required to pay \$5.00 for the meal.

Please call 485-9260, if you would like to be considered for a home delivered meal or RESERVATION. Please be advised, the home delivery will begin the next business day. The Center is still delivering lunches daily.

Special Events

February 7th ~ Super Bowl Sunday

February 12th ~ Lincoln's Birthday

February 14th ~ Valentine's Day

February 15th ~ Presidents Day

February 16th ~ Mardi Gras

February 17th ~ Ash Wednesday

February 22nd ~ Washington's Birthday

Think, Shop, Live Blanchard!

Please keep in mind that Blanchard's quality of life and local economy rely upon where residents spend their money and do their shopping. Sales tax is a direct and vital lifeline to essential services like public safety (police & fire), facilities (city hall, etc.), projects (water & sewer and street improvements), programs (4th of July Celebration) and services (senior citizens nutrition).

Shopping locally keeps businesses here in Blanchard, providing jobs and benefiting public schools and non-profits. If there's one thing we can all do to make our dollars work for this community, it's to shop local. Grab dinner in Blanchard on your way home. You'd be surprised what a difference that can make. Shopping locally benefits the entire community. Make your tax dollars work for you and your community!