



City Manager Report

June 2024

I am pleased to present the City Manager's Report for the month of June 2024. In addition to the departmental reports regarding finance, fire, streets and parks, police and utilities, this report provides an overview of key activities, committees, projects, events, and updates Citywide.

Communications and Community Engagement

The City has begun sharing video introductions of each of our esteemed City Councilmembers on our social media channels. Councilmember Dr. Steve Hougen and Councilmember Catherine Bell were highlighted in the "Council Connections" this month!

These video introductions are posted biweekly on Wednesdays to the City Facebook Page and to the City website giving you a chance to learn more about the people working hard to serve our community.

Canine Distemper - Update

We've received reports of several recent positive tests for canine distemper in our area. This serious and highly contagious disease affects the respiratory, gastrointestinal, and nervous systems of dogs.

To tackle this issue swiftly, the Humane Society and the City organized a FREE drive-thru vaccine clinic on June 8th at Quarry Park, where over 250 dogs and cats



received vaccines. We're thrilled to announce a second free vaccination clinic will be held on June 27th from 9 AM to noon, also at Quarry Park.

To remind everyone, digital message board signs in both English and Spanish will be placed on 1431 earlier in the week. Please also keep a lookout for more information on the City's social media channels. Vaccines provided will include DAPPV for dogs, FCP for cats, and Rabies for both dogs and cats.

Let's keep our furry friends safe and healthy!

Finance

The City held our first Budget Workshop on Thursday, June 20, 2024, 5pm in the Council Chambers. Additional Budget Workshops will also be held in the City Council Chambers on July 16th, July 30th, August 6th, August 20th, and September 3rd, 2024.

The final FY 2023 Annual Financial Report has been posted on the city website: [Financial Transparency | Granite Shoals, TX](#)

Committees and Workgroups

Community Cat Advisory Committee: The Community Cat Advisory Committee (CCAC) meeting scheduled for Monday, June 17th was canceled due to lack of quorum. On May 21st, the CCAC completed a successful Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) effort with 14 total cats trapped, transported, and sterilized in partnership with Pet Pals. Another TNR is scheduled for June 27th. The next CCAC meeting will be held on July 15th.

Planning and Zoning Committee: The Planning and Zoning committee met on June 18th to discuss and review Chapter 40 in the Code of Ordinances, zoning map, and the Heritage Tree Proclamation. The next meeting will be held on July 16th.

Wildlife Committee: Wildlife Committee met on June 3rd. This group also has a workday scheduled for June 29th. The next meeting for the Wildlife Committee is scheduled for July 8th.

Board of Adjustments: The Board of Adjustments (BOA) does not have any meetings scheduled.

Airport Committee: Airport committee met on June 6, 2024 and discussed the recent installation of an informational kiosk at the airport which will be used to relay info to visiting pilots as well as upcoming events. This committee also discussed the success of the recently held Future Pilot Event, parking and lease agreement, and obtaining an updated survey of the airport property. The next meeting will be held on July 11th.

Parks Committee: The Parks Committee met on June 6, 2024 and discussed updates related to Timberhill Park, funds from fill area, the QR code pilot program for boat launches, Community Center workdays, and Pickleball courts and lighting. The next meeting is scheduled to be held on July 11th.

Staffing

The City of Granite Shoals is currently accepting applications for the following position:

- Police Officer

If you're interested in this exciting opportunity, visit <https://www.graniteshoals.org/city-services/human-resources/job-openings> for more information and to apply. Join us in making a difference in our community!

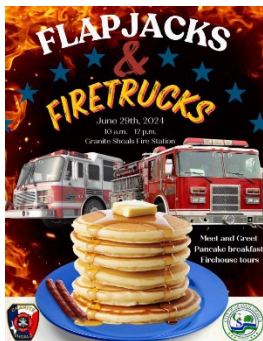
Parks

The Parks crew has been hard at work changing out light bulbs and installing solar lighting on the stairs and ramp at City Hall. Now, when we leave our late-night community meetings or for those evening park-goers, the stairs, ramp, and parking areas are safely lit.

We're also excited to announce a new Pilot Program that will be launching soon. It will allow you to use a QR code to pay boat launch fees, making it easier for those who don't carry cash to conveniently pay on-site at the boat ramp via app or credit card.

Events

June 22 – Battle of the Badges BBQ. Get ready for a showdown at the Battle of the Badges BBQ! Our Police and Fire departments will be joined by other departments from the region for a tasty BBQ competition Saturday, June 22nd in Quarry Park. Bring your grill and enter your best brisket, or volunteer to be one of the judges...either way, this promises to be a fun time!



June 29 – Flapjacks and Firetrucks. Get ready for a fun-filled morning with our upcoming event, Flapjacks and Firetrucks! Join us at the fire station on June 29th, starting at 10 AM.

Enjoy a hearty breakfast of flapjacks and sausage cooked up by our very own Granite Shoals Fire Department. After breakfast, take a tour of the station and meet and greet some of Granite Shoals' finest.

July 4 – Independence Day Golf Cart Parade. Fire up your golf carts and get your decorations ready...we're parading the town in style this Independence Day! Plan to meet at the Community Center, Thursday, July 4th at 9am. Awards will be given to the following categories: Most Creative, Most Patriotic, Most Humorous, and Most Enthusiastic (loudest, cheering, music, etc.)



Previous Event Updates

May 27 – Memorial Day. In honor of Memorial Day, the City placed American flags along 1431, creating a beautiful and meaningful tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.

May 27 - Murph Challenge. We had an inspiring and challenging Memorial Day with the Police Department hosting the “Murph” physical fitness event at Quarry Park! It was an incredible way to push our physical limits and come together as a community.



June 1 – Future Pilots event. We had an incredible event filled with valuable information for our new, “rusty,” and returning pilots! It was a great opportunity for everyone to brush up on their skills and knowledge, share experiences, and connect with fellow aviation enthusiasts. Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to

making this event so informative and enjoyable. We hope you left feeling inspired and look forward to seeing you all at our next aviation gathering!

June 6 – Sunset Sips, Snacks and Social Hour.

We had an amazing time at our recent wine event, watching the sunset over the city from the balcony at City Hall! It was a fantastic evening spent with friends and neighbors, enjoying a social hour with a spectacular view.



The evening was filled with laughter and great conversations as we sipped on wine, soft drinks, and water, while snacking on light refreshments. A few of you even brought your own favorite beverages to share. Thank you to everyone who joined us and made this event so special.