LAKESIDE NEWSLETTER

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TOWN HALL HOURS Monday – Friday 7:30 am to 4:30 pm www.lakesidetexas.us

City Council meeting Thursday October 8th & 15th, at 6:30 pm

The Planning & Zoning Commission meets on the third Monday at 6:30 pm as needed

National Night Out Tuesday October 6, 2015 6:00-8:00 pm

Town Hall Closed for Columbus Day Monday October 12

<u>City Council</u>

Mayor Patrick Jacob Mayor Pro Tem Kim Ware Councilmember Don Pitts Councilmember Vacant Councilmember Amy Robinson Councilmember Bill Mohr

Check out our updated website at: www.lakesidetexas.us





The Town of Lakeside & The Tarrant County Sheriffs Office Presents

National Night Out

Tuesday, October 6, 2015, at 9830 Confederate Park Road (Lakeside Town Hall) from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

> Lakeside Police Department Personnel and Vehicles

> Lake Worth Fire Department Personnel and Vehicles

Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Personnel and Vehicles

Children's Play Area • Games and Prizes Free Food and Drinks • Petting Zoo

The Mayor's Corner

Why Annex? This is how Towns' grow and improve services to their citizens. Annexation of certain areas by municipalities' occurs frequently. Most of us pay no attention when it happens in areas that do not affect us. So when it happens close to us we ask why. Municipalities are communities, with some being larger than others. Municipalities also provide services to their citizens. Providing these services costs money. The money comes from taxes or assessments. With taxes, there are two basic types, property taxes and sales taxes. (Continued on the back)

The Town of Lakeside, 9830 Confederate Park Road, Lakeside, Texas 76108 Phone: 817-237-1234, Fax: 817-238-9187, Police Dispatch: 817-738-3675, Dial 0 After Hours Water Emergencies: 817-738-3675 Dial 0 www.lakesidetexas.us

The Mayor's Corner (Continued)

Property taxes come from citizens directly. Sales taxes come from services provided by local businesses. If a Town does not have a commercial area to generate sales tax income, then property taxes are its only source of income. If citizens want to avoid tax increases, then municipalities must develop their commercial base.

Lakeside water utility is already servicing the recently annexed area. The backbone of the system has been upgraded with distribution to follow. The distribution for this area of the utility will need future maintenance and upgrades. Available methods are a gradual program of upgrade over time or assessment levied for immediate improvement.

Water rates have been adjusted now matching those for inside customers. Other improvements, trash and recycling services will be in effect beginning 1 October. Police patrols have been implemented. 911 services to follow. As with any change, there may be some confusion. Questions should be directed to Town Hall at 817-237-1234.

As always, check the Town's website for the latest information (it is all there). http://www.lakesidetexas.us/

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28 Special Council Meeting 6:30 pm	29	30	1 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Begins	2	3
4	5	6 National Night Out 6-8 pm	7	8 City Council Meeting 6:30 pm	9	10
11	12 Columbus Day Town Hall Closed	13	14	15 Special Council Meeting/Public Hearing 6:30 pm	16	17
18	19	20 Municipal Court 5:00 pm	21 Bulk Pickup	22	23	24
25	26	27 Wolf Creek HOA 6:00	28	29	30	31 Halloween