BRANCH OUT City of Hudson Oaks Community News No. 3

BRANCH OUT TEAM SPOTLIGHT



Meet Joni May!

Joni May has been with the City of Hudson Oaks since 2009 and works in the City's Administration Department as the Operations Coordinator.

Joni handles day-to-day operations for the permitting office and utility billing. If you have ever needed a permit, or just called the City to request information, you have most likely spoken to Joni May! Joni truly has a servants' heart and loves to help those in need around the community.

Joni, what's your favorite past time? "My favorite past time is to dance and play sand volleyball with friends!"

FT. WORTH WATERLINE

The Fort Worth water line, which will supply surface water to Hudson Oaks and Willow Park, has officially begun construction. The two supply line aspects of this project are being constructed simultaneously: (1) the water line from Fort Worth to Willow Park and (2) the water line from Willow Park to COHO. The timeline for these aspects of the project is slated for 210 days.

If you've driven to or from Fort Worth in the past month, you've probably noticed the big blue pipes laying parallel with the interstate. Take pride in knowing that Hudson Oaks residents are part of this exciting, innovative regional project that will solidify a sufficient water supply for the COHO community of residents and businesses, current and future, in perpetuity.

Please keep an eye out for more updates in the coming months.

WINTER STORM WATER CREDIT

The City of Hudson Oaks will provide an automatic 2,000-gallon credit to ALL water customers to offset water use for dripping faucets and minor leaks during the winter storm. There is no need to call or file paperwork. The automatic credit will be applied to the March bill, which is due April 10th. This credit applies to customers serviced by the Dyegard public water system as well.

SEWER RATE ADJUSTMENT

For all sanitary sewer customers serviced by COHO, sewer rates are charged based on a threemonth water average. This water usage average begins on November 10th and ends on February 10th. We assume that customers rarely irrigate during this time, making those three winter months the lowest average usage months of the year.

With this water average, we calculate a flat rate to bill the customer throughout the year. The flat rate is calculated using the water rate fees found on our website. These averages are updated every year. Keep an eye out for your new rate on your bill due April 10th, and if you can stand it, try to reduce irrigation use during those averaging months.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

City Council | March 25, 2021 @ 7pm | City Hall

Planning & Zonning | April 13, 2021 @ 7pm | City Hall

CITY HALL **CLOSED** FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING **HOLIDAYS**

Good Friday | April 2, 2021 Memorial Day | May 31, 2021 Independence Day (observed) | July 5, 2021

Labor Day | September 6, 2021 Veteran's Day | November 11, 2021

YOUR GUIDE TO HUDSON OAKS

City Information Line | (682) 229-2400 Inspection Line | (817) 335-8111 Republic Services | (817) 332-7301 Oncor | (888) 313-6862 Tri County Electric | (682) 229-2400 Non-Emergency Police | (682) 229-2454

REACH OUT

Let us know if there is anything we can do to make our city better! info@hudsonoaks.com

SEVERE WINTER WEATHER

Hudson Oaks Friends and Neighbors,

I want to send a quick message to our community. I want to show my appreciation to the people who stepped up in the middle of the severe winter crisis we experienced and assisted COHO in getting our water system back online. A huge thank you to the city employees who worked through the event around the clock last week, away from their families. Many of them did not have power or water at their homes but selflessly served COHO. The same praise goes to our Hudson Oaks police officers who also worked nonstop responding to calls and taking care of our residents. Another huge thank you to State Senator Drew Springer and State Representative Phil King who demanded ONCOR that our municipal water system be powered and brought back online to provide water for our customers. The City previously contacted ONCOR several times with the same request but to no avail. Thanks to State Senator Springer and State Representative King, the City's power to our critical water infrastructure was restored.

Before this, the City's water tower was on the verge of being out of water but with power, the water pumps came back online. As a result, some of our residents who were located on the same grid regained power as well. The restoration of power allowed our Public Works team to restore water service to all COHO utility customers. On behalf of the City of Hudson Oaks, I want to personally thank both Sen. Springer and Rep. King for taking a leadership role as our state elected officials and for fighting for this community! Thank you also to Jennifer Lundy in Sen. Springer's office and Ashley Westenhover in Rep. King's office for the relentless hard work and accurate information sharing. Their level of concern and willingness to work with local officials in the best interest of their constituents is a perfect example of how local and state governments should collaborate for the people they represent. Last but not least, thank you to you, our Hudson Oaks residents, for your patience and understanding as we worked to provide and restore service to you.

Marc Povero - Mayor of COHO