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CITY OF LIVINGSTON
2019 Annual Report

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR MAYOR

Dear Fellow Citizens,

It is my pleasure to present the 2019 Annual Report to the Citizens of Livingston which recaps important projects, events and activities in the City. As you will see, we have been busy.

In January, we dedicated the 6th largest Loblolly Pine Tree in Texas. We also increase the allocation of Hotel Tax to the Livingston-Polk County Chamber of Commerce, Livingston Specialty Merchants Guild, Polk County Historical Commission and the Polk County Higher Education & Technology Foundation. In June, I had the privilege of presenting a Key to the City and a Proclamation declaring June 8, 2019 as Laci Kaye Booth Day in Livingston in recognition of her outstanding representation of our community throughout the competition on American Idol. In November, the City Council approved a 50-year raw water supply contract with Trinity River Authority of Texas. The previous contract which started in 1978 expired in February 2020. Water has become a precious commodity, and this will guarantee water for our citizens for many years. The City was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This is the 31st consecutive year the City has earned this prestigious national award. The City is financially sound, and we have managed this without the use of an ad valorem tax. 2019 saw new construction of Dairy Queen, Livingston Village Apartments and Towne South Duplexes along with many remodel/renovation projects. The city staff is working diligently on cleaning up the junked vehicles, dilapidated buildings and illegal dumping. Last year the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department put Tower #3 into service, and it has become a great asset for our community.

It is named Tower #3 in honor of B.R. Haynes, a long-time fire chief. We started construction of two elevated water storage tanks which should be completed in 2021. We are still in the growing stages as we continue to attract new businesses to our area.

Our city staff continues to do a great job with promoting the city and handling our daily obligations. They pride themselves with providing good customer service. We are very proud of our City Secretary/Assistant City Manager Ellie Monteaux, who was awarded the Barney Knight Certified Public Manager Scholarship from the Texas City Management Association. She is currently enrolled in the Certified Public Manager Program at Stephen F. Austin State University.

The City accepted the invitation to join the Alliance for I-69 Texas, an entity to advance the development of I-69. City Manager Bill Wiggins has been appointed to represent the

City in all matters related to the City's membership.

The City is blessed to have numerous volunteers that work tirelessly to provide programming and maintenance for our many youth organizations. Many community volunteers also assist our staff with events such as Easter Eggstravaganza and Hometown Christmas, which draw many visitors to our city. Our City employees work hard to make Livingston a special place to live, along with our City Council who serve without compensation.



Judy B. Cochran, Mayor



Mayor Judy Cochran



Livingston City Council - Standing: Alan Cook, Clarke Evans, Ray Luna; Seated: Bid Smith, Mayor Judy Cochran, Elgin Davis

- DATE OF INCORPORATION:**
October 3, 1902
- CITY CHARTER:**
General Law City
- FORM OF GOVERNMENT:**
Council/Manager
- ELECTED OFFICIALS:**
Mayor and Five Council Members
- TERM OF OFFICE:**
Two Years
- REGULAR MEETINGS:**
2nd Tuesday of each Month at 5 pm
- SPECIAL MEETINGS:**
Called by Mayor

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CITY COUNCIL & ADMINISTRATION

On January 31, 2019, a Marker Dedication Ceremony was held for the 6th Largest Loblolly Pine Tree in Texas. The record-size pine tree is located on Sprott Street in Livingston. The marker was constructed and installed by Street Department personnel.

Council adopted the Polk County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan as prepared by the Polk County Hazard Mitigation Task Force. Several members of the City staff served on the Task Force.

The City Secretary furnished a Certificate of Unopposed Candidates confirming that Alderman Ray Luna, Alderman Elgin Davis and Alderman Clarke Evans were unopposed for election to office for the election to be held on May 4, 2019. Council approved Ordinance No. A-809 cancelling the May 4, 2019 General Election and declaring each unopposed candidate elected to office.

In April, Council approved the modification and renewal of the Hotel Tax Agreements with Livingston-Polk County Chamber of Commerce, Livingston Specialty Merchants Guild, Polk County Historical Commission, and Polk County Higher Education & Technology Foundation. Increased allocations to each entity began in 2019.

At the May 14, 2019 Council meeting, the City Secretary administered oaths of office and presented Certificates of Election to Alderman Ray Luna, Alderman Elgin Davis and Alderman Clarke Evans. Alderman Cook was nominated to serve as Mayor Pro-tem for the 2019-2020 term.

Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to local churches for their participation in the annual *Serve Together Polk County 2019*. This tremendous event included members of several local congregations providing community service

project assistance to the City of Livingston as well as numerous school districts, non-profit service organizations, and elderly citizens in our area.

Dr. Elias Kanaan was reappointed as the City of Livingston Local Health Authority for the term July 1, 2019 through July 1, 2021. Dr. Kanaan has served since his first appointment in 2005.

At the May 2019 council meeting, Council reappointed Gaffney Phillips as Municipal Court Judge and Gene Bush as Associate Judge for the term ending May 2021.

Mayor Cochran presented Laci Kaye Booth with a Key to the City and a Proclamation declaring June 8, 2019 as Laci Kaye Booth Day in Livingston in recognition of her outstanding representation of our community throughout the competition on American Idol.

Ellie Monteaux, City Secretary/Assistant City Manager, was awarded the Barney Knight Certified Public Manager Scholarship from the Texas City Management Association. She is currently enrolled in the Certified Public Manager Program at Stephen F. Austin State University.

In October, City Council approved the Intergovernmental Emergency Mutual Aid Agreement with Polk County, which outlines the mutual aid between the City of Livingston and the County of Polk for a period of one year, to be renewed annually.

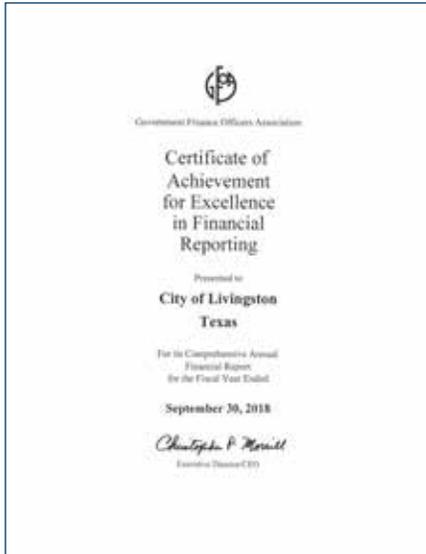
At a special called meeting on November 19, 2019, City Council approved a 50-year raw water supply contract with Trinity River Authority of Texas, including the raw water amount of 3.0 MGD (million gallons per day) and reserve amount of 4.5 MGD, for a total of 7.5 MGD. The current raw water supply contract started in 1978 and will expire February 2020.



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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The City was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association for its 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. This is the 31st consecutive year the City has earned this prestigious national award.



REVENUES	
Property Tax	-0-
Sales Tax	\$3,888,574
Hotel Occupancy Tax	\$352,302
Gross Receipts Tax	\$132,500
Administrative Department	\$135,491
Sanitation Department	\$1,230,181
Fire Department	\$54,757
Police Department	\$391,645
Street Department	\$908
Parks and Recreation	\$148,707
Library	\$35,212
Trade Days	\$25,943
Electric Department	\$17,668,377
Water Department	\$3,243,058
Sewer Department	\$2,159,653
Grant Funds	\$52,246
TOTAL REVENUES	\$29,519,554

EXPENDITURES	
Administrative Department	\$552,588
Sanitation Department	\$812,557
Fire Department	\$469,001
Police Department	\$2,310,261
Street Department	\$578,270
Parks and Recreation	\$655,453
Library	\$418,383
Trade Days	\$314,477
Garage Department	\$264,100
Electric Department	\$9,733,497
Water Department	\$4,327,866
Sewer Department	\$887,638
Capital Improvements	\$2,751,439
Debt Service	\$396,175
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$24,471,705

Municipal Court 2019 Violations	
Total Fines/Fees Collected	\$233,846.07
Traffic Violations	4,003
Criminal Violations	284
Other Violations	72
Total Violations	4,359

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COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Community Development Department conducted 505 inspections during 2019.

Larger projects that were issued Building Permits in 2019 include:

New Construction:

Dairy Queen – 1835 US Highway 190 West
 Livingston Village Apartments – 310 West Park Drive
 Towne South Duplexes – Brittany Lane

Renovation/Remodel:

B & G Family Dental – 402 S. Washington
 Walgreens – 1501 W. Church #500
 Edward Jones – 2784 US Highway 190 West
 Massage by Jennifer – 511 W. Polk
 Hampton Inn – 1510 US Highway 59 Loop S
 Church's Chicken – 210 N. Washington
 St. Joseph's Catholic Church – 2590 US Highway 190 West

The city-wide cleanup of junked vehicles, dilapidated buildings and illegal dumping continued in 2019. Public Hearings were held before the Livingston City Council on several dilapidated building cases and cleanup of property cases.

The Polk County Adult Probation Department assisted with litter collection with community service days.

A Resolution of Support was issued by the City Council for submission of an application by MAC-RE, LLC to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for 2019 Housing Tax Credits for the rehabilitation of the Livingston Senior Apartments. A reduction of the building permit fees by \$250.00 was included in the resolution.

In April, Council approved Ordinance No. A-810 adopting the 2018 International Codes including the Building Code, Residential Code, Plumbing Code, Fuel Gas Code, Mechanical Code, Fire Code, Property Maintenance Code, Existing Building Code and Swimming Pool and Spa Code.

The Community Development department sponsored the Livingston Community Cleanup on September 28, 2019 at Pedigo Park. Dumpsters were available for city residents to dispose of old tires, bicycles, stoves, refrigerators, furniture and similar items.



2019 BUILDING PERMIT RECAP		
TYPE	NUMBER	VALUATION
Residential – New	17	\$8,169,641
Commercial – New	2	\$538,000
Residential & Commercial - Addition/Alteration	31	\$2,001,785
Manufactured Homes	4	\$151,955
Portable Buildings	14	\$35,016
Demolition	7	
Plumbing	120	
Electrical	99	
Air Conditioning	35	
Sign	15	
Garage Sale	88	
Others	11	
Totals 2019	443	\$10,896,397
Totals 2018	413	\$3,644,616

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LIVINGSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Escorted and assisted with traffic control for several parades and events throughout the year including the Dunbar Alumni Association Parade, Livingston ISD Homecoming Parade, Laci Kaye Booth Homecoming Parade, Spirit Ride bicycle event, Jingle Bell Fun Run/Walk and the annual lighted Christmas Parade.

Police Chief Dennis Clifton presented six graduating seniors with the Caran Coward Memorial Scholarship, each in the amount of \$1,000. The scholarship funds were raised by department employees at the annual barbecue lunch.

On June 8, 2019, the Livingston Police Department provided escort and security detail for the homecoming parade, reception and concert honoring Laci Kaye Booth, American Idol Top-5 Finalist.

The Livingston Police Department presented public safety programs to various civic organizations in the community.

Officers Kevin Ward, Kaleb Barker, Tito Reyes and Ronnie Bogany assisted Cedar Grove second graders with traffic control for their walking field trip to Sonic.

The Livingston Police Department celebrated National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in April and expressed appreciation for

the dedication and professionalism of the department's personnel.

Mayor Cochran issued a Proclamation declaring the Week of May 12, 2019 as Police Week with an observance of Police Officers' Memorial Day on May 15, 2019.

Officers and department staff attended training throughout the year including legal update training and intermediate Spanish.

Livingston Police Department partnered with the Texas Department of Public Safety and Walmart for the annual "Shop with a Cop" event where several local children were treated to breakfast with the officers before going on a shopping spree.



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LIVINGSTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Livingston Volunteer Fire Department provides Livingston and the surrounding area with fire prevention, fire protection, medical first responders, rescue operations and hazardous material responses. The Department covers 250 square miles of property in its initial response area. The Department also provides mutual aid to the other ten departments in Polk County. In 2019, the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department responded to 523 calls for service, including 259 inside the City and 264 outside the City.

In February, heavy rain and threat of flooding throughout the region cancelled the LVFD annual fire training school for a second consecutive year.

Mayor Judy Cochran presented a Certificate of Remembrance to the family members of Ms. Ann Milner for her 30 years of service to the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department.

The City Council approved the renewal of the annual agreement with Polk County for firefighting services to be provided by the Livingston Volunteer Fire Department outside the City limits from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, reflecting funding of \$41,313.82 by the County.

Throughout the year, members of the Department attended training at various locations to meet their continuing education requirements. The Department also provided fire prevention and fire safety programs to schools, civic groups and organizations throughout the County.



LIVINGSTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 2018		
TYPE OF CALL	CITY	COUNTY
Automatic Alarm	105	16
Commercial Building Fire	10	2
Residential Fire	11	36
Mobile Home/Trailer Fire	0	7
Car/Truck Fire	10	32
Control Burn	0	10
Unauthorized Outside Burn	16	9
Grass Fire	2	27
Woods/Forest Fire	2	28
Dumpster Fire	0	0
Smoke in Building	4	3
First Responder	26	33
Jaws	3	22
Wreck	15	5
Bomb Threat	0	0
Search	2	3
Rescue	1	4
Lake Rescue	0	0
Hazardous Material	9	7
Electrical Hazard	6	4
Fumes/Vapor	7	5
Leak	3	0
Spill	5	3
False Alarm	0	3
Miscellaneous	4	1
Assists	18	4
TOTAL FIRE CALLS	259	264
GRAND TOTAL	523	

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LIVINGSTON MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

Livingston Municipal Library, located at the corner of Tyler and Milam Streets, continued with a very busy year in 2019. The Livingston Municipal Library hosted 198 programs for children, 39 adult programs and 60 young adult programs. Genealogy workshops and Tech Tuesdays continued during 2019. These exciting educational programs were attended by 4,398 people.

The Friends of the Library provided funds to purchase large print books, children's books, the Houston Chronicle, and prizes for the summer reading program and special programs. They also contributed \$1,500 to allow the library to continue membership with the Piney Woods Digital Consortium, through which the library provides access to eBooks and downloadable audiobooks and movies. The Friends of the Library hosted book sales and membership drives in their space on the second floor. Many board members volunteered their services to the library throughout the year.

The City Council approved the Livingston Municipal Library Long Range Plan for 2019-2024, as prepared by Librarian Priscilla Emrich.

The 'A Universe of Stories' summer reading program provided programs for children, including Storytime for preschoolers, Toddler Time for infants and toddlers, and Baby and Me lap sit program. Special programs included a Jedi Training Academy, robotics workshop, crafting a moon lander and the Un-Birthday Party, a birthday party for everyone.

Ranger Joel from Lake Livingston State Park presented 'The Birth, Life and Death of a Star!' including the life cycle of a star and fun facts about the Sun. Ranger Joel returned to the library to present 'Create Your Own Planisphere' and demonstrated how to make a map of the night sky.

The library hosted 'The Buzz About Bees' presented by Kim Lehman, an interactive program that included honey tasting, bee biology with microscopes, a metamorphosis game, as well as a 'Bee A Beekeeper' activity. Other special programs included a hands-on Cartooning Workshop, the Ninja Warrior Challenge, Play Doh Day, Teen Craft activities, an Advanced Drawing Workshop, Sci-Fi Fridays and many more. The Edge of Imagination Station offered free stop-motion animation classes during a two-day workshop.

The library joined in the 'Read Across Texas' reading campaign and hosted a reading and discussion program. The 'Livingston Reads' group reviewed the 2018 Great American Reads list and chose five books from the list to read and discuss.

A brown bag luncheon concert was held at the library featuring pianist Peggy Stern and vocalist Danielle Reich with a fascinating tour of music from the great shows and movies of the 1930's and 1940's.

The Houston Museum of Natural Science visited the library with their Discovery Dome, an indoor traveling planetarium, featuring programs including Accidental Astronauts, Larry Cat in Space, Dawn of the Space Age, Tales of a Time Traveler and Dark Side of the Moon. In July, the Museum returned to present 'Check Out Space: Going The Distance' featuring science on an amazing scale.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans Ike Turner Chapter #1275 presented 'A Day in History' at the Library including hands-on displays of muskets, uniforms and artifacts from the Civil War.

Livingston Municipal Library and the Polk County Retired Teacher Association offered free reading tutoring during the summer for first, second and third grade students.

The Library partnered with Texas Children's Health Plan to host the annual Back-to-School Fair.

On October 31st the Library hosted a 'Book or Treat' Halloween event, a family-friendly celebration including a costume contest and book giveaway.

During 2019 a total of 50,868 customers entered the library.



LIBRARY FACTS

40,530	Items were checked out
1,050	Reference questions were asked of library staff
1,585	Items were added to the collection
604	New customers registered and 1,049 customers renewed their memberships
8,557	Hours of computer access were provided to 8,250 customers
9,505	Customers used the library's wireless access for 11,314 hours
11	eBooks and 24 downloadable audiobooks were purchased
7,107	eBooks and downloadable audiobooks were checked out by customers

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LIVINGSTON MAIN STREET

The Livingston Main Street Program envisions historical downtown Livingston as the heart of the City – a place where social, economic and civic activities generate a welcoming environment for local citizens and visitors to enjoy.

Livingston Main Street continues to help revitalize downtown Livingston. Main Street has distributed nearly \$200,000 in reimbursement grant funds to downtown business and building owners since 2005. This funding has been raised by local efforts.

Members of the Main Street Advisory Board are Julie Mayes Hamrick, Tammi Ogletree, Jeremy Buie, Jessica Corwin, Kevan Wood, Molly Anderson, Kim Brown, Hannah Williams and Julee Evans.

Main Street partners with the Polk County Museum, the Polk County Historical Commission and the Historical Society in sharing historical information and historic photographs.

Main Street is a member of the Livingston Specialty Merchants Guild, an organization comprised of local, independent businesses who promote the Livingston area.

The City of Livingston and Livingston Main Street partnered with the Livingston Farmers Market Association for the Farmers Market in Anniversary Park. The Farmers Market began May 18th and continued Saturday mornings throughout the summer.

Main Street partnered with the F.A.I.T.H. Military Support Group for the 8th annual Independence Day Picnic in the Park. The event included a car show, a bicycle parade, food, and live music.

Main Street organized Shop Small Saturday on November 30, 2019. Held the Saturday after Black Friday, the event encouraged people to make their purchases from local merchants. Shoppers picked up a Shop Small Passport from any one of the participating 15 businesses and received a sticker for each business they visited. After visiting at least six of the participating businesses, shoppers could enter the grand prize drawing for a basket of goodies valued at over \$250. Over 150 people participated and the drawing winner was Christie Jones.

Main Street hosted a Christmas window decorating contest. Businesses who participated helped make downtown look very festive. The winner for 2019 was Lake Livingston Photography.

Main Street joined with all City departments to host Hometown Christmas. An estimated 15,000 people visited the downtown area to watch the Jingle Bell Fun Run and shop for food and gifts from vendors located along Jackson Street. Main Street hosted a 12 Days of Christmas Scavenger Hunt, organized the vendor spaces and provided space for the Livingston Quilt Club to display their creations. The lighted parade and visits with Santa ended a day of fun.



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ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

Maintained lighting and electrical equipment at Livingston Municipal Complex, Livingston Municipal Airport, tennis courts, baseball fields, Livingston Municipal Library, Barney Wiggins Memorial Arena Fairgrounds, Matthews Street Park, LVFD fire training field and four LVFD fire stations. Maintained street lights, night lights and flood lights throughout the City.

Continued maintenance of rights-of-way throughout the City including mowing of vegetation, tree trimming and removal of dead or problem trees.

Performed routine maintenance of both Livingston and Ogletree electric substations.

Replaced 3,360 feet of downtown building outline lights with new LED lights and wire on buildings in the Main Street district. Participated in the annual lighted Christmas parade with a float.

Assisted with installation of Christmas lighted displays in Pedigo Park and Anniversary Park, the lighted chandelier at the intersection of Polk and Jackson and the pinecone pole decoration at Milam and Jackson.

Electric linemen participated in six safety meetings hosted by Texas Electric Cooperatives.

Installed seasonal Welcome to Livingston banners and military appreciation banners throughout the year.

City Council awarded the bid to Griffin Electric for the installation of underground electric line extension on West Park Drive for system upgrade. Set five new padmount transformers to serve the 80-unit apartment development currently under construction.



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

STREET DEPARTMENT

Continued the brush collection program picking up vegetative debris and brush once a month in each quadrant of the city.

Ditch maintenance and drainage improvements were made throughout the city.

Sign maintenance and signage improvements were made throughout the city.



WATER AND WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT

City Council awarded the bid to Maguire Iron, Inc. and construction began on a 150,000-gallon elevated water storage tank located at West Street and a 400,000-gallon elevated water storage tank located at Walnut Street.

The City of Livingston was awarded the Community Development Block Grant for the Sewer Improvements Project for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA) to be installed on sewer lift stations throughout the City. TraC-n-trol, Inc. was the successful bidder on the project and installation of the SCADA system began.

Continued with fire hydrant maintenance and replacement throughout town.

Continued with upgrades to the water distribution system in various parts of town.

Continued sewer manhole rehabilitation on various manholes during the year.



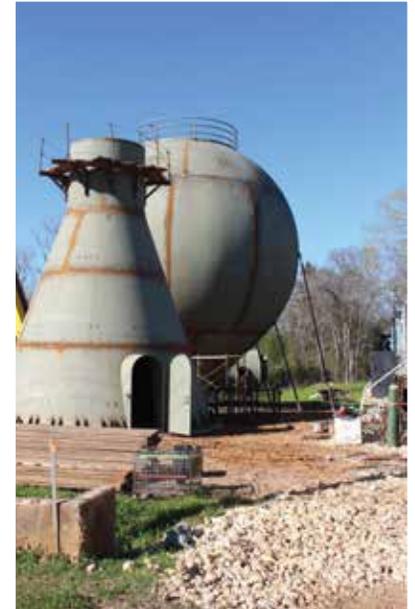
GARAGE DEPARTMENT

Maintained 36 generators that supply electricity to various city facilities during power outages.

Maintained and repaired more than 135 pieces of equipment/vehicles used by all city departments.

Maintained fuel supply for all departments and fuel operations at Livingston Municipal Airport.

Installed emergency lighting, radios and other equipment in new service vehicles.



SPECIAL EVENTS / TRADE DAYS

Trade Days completed its 20th year of operation. In June 2019 Trade Days became a quarterly event with shows to be held in March, May, October and November each year.

Trade Days special events included the 18th Annual Spring Outdoor Expo in March and an Ice Cream Social for vendors in October. The Spooky Scavenger Hunt was also held in October including prizes, hot dogs and candy for the children.

The City's 20th annual Easter Eggstravaganza included 20,000 Easter eggs stuffed with candy and prize numbers and hid at Pedigo Park for youngsters to hunt. Local businesses donated candy, bicycles, scooters, Easter baskets, stuffed animals and much more. Over 200 prizes were given away at this event. Generous sponsors and numerous volunteers make this event one of the highlights of the year.

In May, the Texas Game Warden Association, C.H. Marine, First National Bank, McWilliams & Son Heating and Air Conditioning, and First State Bank joined the City of Livingston to sponsor the annual Kids Fishing Frenzie held in Pedigo Park.

The 18th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner was held in April with the theme "Volunteers – You're All That and a Bag of Chips!" Without its volunteers, the City of Livingston would be unable to host the many special events and youth sports leagues throughout the year.

Santa was at Miss Effie's Cottage on Friday, December 13th and was visited by children of all ages. The Polk County Garden Club hosted the annual event and served cookies and hot cocoa provided by the City of Livingston. Visitors enjoyed a photo with Santa, refreshments and toured the historic home.

The annual Hometown Christmas celebration had a record setting number of visitors in 2019. The Jingle Bell Fun Run included over 292 walkers and runners. There were 169 vendor spaces for this year. The Train Village was popular throughout the month of December. The Hometown Christmas event concluded with a lighted evening parade with 110 parade entries. After the parade, Santa was at City Hall to visit with children and have pictures taken.



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PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Pedigo Park was the site for several community events, including the Easter Eggstravaganza, Polk County Relay for Life, Livingston First Assembly Public Servant Appreciation Lunch, First Baptist Church 'A Night In Bethlehem' and the Christmas Hayride in the Park. The Polk County Youth Soccer Association held games and tournaments on the Pedigo Park soccer fields.

Pedigo Park is home to the Livingston Youth Football Association, a competitive football league that plays in the East Texas Football Alliance. Participation includes players age 4 to age 12 who learn and develop the fundamentals of football, build confidence and encourage teamwork.

The 59th Annual Polk County Youth Rodeo was held at the Barney Wiggins Memorial Rodeo Arena in July.

The Parks and Recreation Department created a wide array of special Christmas lighting throughout the City.

The 74th Annual Trinity-Neches Livestock Show & Rodeo was held at the Barney Wiggins Memorial Rodeo Arena and included 4-H and FFA youth exhibitors from Livingston and Polk county. Events included a BBQ cook-off, livestock show, washer tournament, arts & crafts exhibits, food show, ag mechanics exhibits, horticulture exhibits, sweetheart contest, rodeo and livestock auction.

Matthews Park Swimming Pool opened to the public on Memorial Day and offered a summer full of activities. Swimming lessons were held for over 400 children, including Water Babies, Water Waddles for 3-year-olds and regular swim lessons for children 4 years old and older. The pool ended the season with a Family Luau Pool Party with volleyball, hula hoop contest, float races and prizes. The pool party was enjoyed by the community and pool staff. Matthews Park Swimming Pool is home to the Livingston Sea Lions swim team.

Numerous tournaments were hosted by Livingston Youth Baseball Association and Livingston Girls Softball Association bringing in many families to spend the weekend in Livingston.

The Livingston Municipal Golf Course, operated by Bobby Brame, continued to offer nine challenging holes with tee options and programs for men, women and children.



CITY OF LIVINGSTON PERSONNEL

ADMINISTRATIVE



Billy S. Wiggins, City Manager



Ellie Monteaux, City Secretary & Assistant City Manager



Jim Wright, City Attorney



Patricia Crawford, Finance Director



Linda Hammond, Human Resources Coordinator



Stacy Edwards, Accounts Payable

UTILITY BILLING



Julie Miller, Utility Billing Supervisor



Utility Billing Staff – Carla Dunning, Jerri Greene, Luisa Santiago

LIVINGSTON MUNICIPAL COURT



Judge Gaffney Phillips, Sarah Milner, Associate Judge Gene Bush

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
CODE ENFORCEMENT**



Josh Mohler, Fire Marshal, Cheryl Paul,
Jeff Hunter, Community Development Coordinator

SPECIAL EVENTS/MAIN STREET



Juan Parra, Lynn Riley, Special Events/Main Street
Coordinator, Toni Fuller

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT



Priscilla Emrich,
Library Director



Sabrina Jackson, Cristina Howe, Rebecca Easley,
Kimberly Perkins

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT



Dewayne Oates,
Electric Superintendent



Electric Crew – Dawson Roessler, Jamie Valderez, Derrick Richardson, Scott Langston,
Gunnard Elliott, Bud Farrar

GARAGE DEPARTMENT



Scott Bradley and Keith Foxworth, Garage Superintendent

CITY OF LIVINGSTON PERSONNEL

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Dennis Clifton, Police Chief



Administrative Staff –
Gina Beecher and Trisha Stinson



Telecommunications –
Standing – Stephnie Brown, Adron Seward
Seated – Lafay West, Amy Gilmore



Melissa Blackburn,
Animal Control Officer



Police Department Officers

Row One: Lt. Matt Parrish, Sgt. Ronnie Bogany,
Sgt. Darrell Newman, Sgt. Chad Ward,
Sgt. Dallas Early, Det. Leon Middleton

Row Two: Det. Marty Drake, Kaleb Barker,
Kevin Blackburn, Tremaine Bogany, Brandon Brewer,
Tara Burman

Row Three: Donald Dyson, Jacob Edwards,
Chad Lilley, Scott Paske, Jason Thomas, Tito Reyes

Row Four: Kevin Ward, Adam Williford,
Sgt. Mike deVilleneuve (Reserve),
Nita Bowen (Reserve)

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



Hec Long,
Public Works Director



Street Crew – Jose Martinez, Jose Ojeda, Clint Walters, Rolando Jaime,
Jose Rodrigo Narvaez (Not Pictured – Dustin Dawson)



Parks Crew – Harry Kemp, Juan Aguilar, Juan Cruz, Mack McLendon,
Carlos Orosco, Cody Marsh, Jeffery Hunter



Paul Baker, Assistant
Public Works Director



Jason Britton, Public Works
Compliance Coordinator



Water Crew – Colby deVilleneuve, Wesley Green, Orlando Cuellar,
Shawn Nichols, Jason Cecil, Travis McCreight, John Jacobs



Wastewater Crew – Ryder Lee, Ernesto Zuniga, Tim Smith

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION AND AWARDS BANQUET

The City held its 27th annual Employee Appreciation and Awards Banquet on February 7, 2020 to recognize employees for their service and efforts during 2019.

Service Awards were presented to 13 employees. Volunteer awards were presented to 40 employees. Attendance Awards were presented to 10 employees. Safety Awards were presented to 40 employees.

Electric, Fire, Garage, Parks & Recreation, Water and Wastewater departments earned Departmental Safety Awards for working without on-the-job injuries or at-fault vehicular accidents during 2019.



AWARD RECIPIENTS FOR 2019:

Juan Aguilar – Safety

Paul Baker – Safety & Volunteer

Kaleb Barker – Safety

Gina Beecher – Service 5 Years & Volunteer

Kevin Blackburn – Service 15 Years & Safety

Melissa Blackburn – Volunteer

Ronnie Bogany – Attendance & Safety

Scott Bradley – Attendance & Safety

Brandon Brewer – Safety

Jason Britton – Safety & Volunteer

Jason Cecil – Safety

Dennis Clifton – Volunteer

Corky Cochran – Volunteer

Patricia Crawford – Service 35 Years & Volunteer

Juan Cruz – Safety

Colby deVilleneuve – Volunteer

Marty Drake – Safety & Volunteer

Carla Dunning – Attendance & Volunteer

Donald Dyson – Attendance & Safety

Dallas Early – Service 10 Years & Safety

Jacob Edwards – Safety

Stacy Edwards – Volunteer

Rebecca Easley – Volunteer

Gunnard Elliott – Service 5 Years, Safety & Volunteer

Priscilla Emrich – Volunteer

Bud Farrar – Safety

Keith Foxworth – Volunteer

Toni Fuller – Volunteer

Wesley Green – Safety & Volunteer

Jerri Greene – Service 20 Years & Volunteer

Linda Hammond – Volunteer

Jeff Hunter – Service 5 Years & Volunteer

Jeffery Hunter – Safety & Volunteer

Sabrina Jackson – Attendance

John Jacobs – Safety

Scott Langston – Safety

Chad Lilley – Safety

Hec Long – Volunteer

Cody Marsh – Service 20 Years, Safety & Volunteer

Travis McCreight – Service 5 Years, Safety & Volunteer

Mack McLendon – Safety & Volunteer

Leon Middleton – Attendance, Safety & Volunteer

Julie Miller – Volunteer

Josh Mohler – Volunteer

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