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## **HELLO SPORTSFANS,**

We got Football, Baseball, Basketball and Hockey, all at the same time! Watch sports instead of the news...it's much less depressing, unless you are an Aggie fan.

Hear that silence?... That's the A/C NOT running...my favorite sound of the season. Cooler weather is here and hopefully some much needed rain soon.

Can't believe it but Christmas is 9 weeks away...unreal how fast '22 has gone by. Good news is no Hurricanes and we're in the clear!

All kinds of activity going on around Hunters Creek... Here's the update:

- -Kuhlman total redo is under way and will be completed before Christmas. Hopefully it will be rain delayed, we really need it. Please avoid Kuhlman entirely except for resident traffic so the guys can work faster.
- -All kinds of road repairs being done all over the hood, as we're getting the work done as budgeted in this year's budget and prices have come down a bit. Sorry for the mess and inconvenience, but will be great when complete.
- -Everyone wants better cell service, but no one wants to see the poles.... We've done our best to work with Verizon to minimize the objectionable poles but State and Federal Law have our hands very tied as to what is allowed in the Right-of-way. And I don't need any more legal lectures on the subject, thanks. To date we've spent over \$35,000 of our tax dollars in attorney fees due to litigation brought by a resident regarding such. I HATE the fact that our precious tax dollars are spent on litigation, but sadly, that is the world we live in... More poles will be coming in the next few years and we're doing our very best to mitigate any objections moving forward. I use a flip-phone, so 5G doesn't matter to me, but apparently the rest of the world needs faster and better service. AGAIN, we have very limited control when it comes to utility providers in the right of way.
- -Speaking of the cable/pole installation, we're all over Verizon and their subs to fix the crappy sod and trench work that looks unfinished. It will look pristine when they're done.
- -I don't have to tell you about Crime in Harris County. The reports of violent crime in Tanglewood and other high-income areas are rampant. Street takeover at Voss at Woodway

with gunshots was on the news last week as well. Very important elections coming up that will have a direct effect on our day to day lives in Hunters Creek and Harris County...vote accordingly and let's fix this. Thankfully our wonderful MVPD is all over the crime situation and are a huge deterrent, keeping the dirtbag bad guys away. No call too small...if you see something or someone fishy, call the police!

- -Speaking of crime deterrents, our next License to Carry handgun class will be Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm in City Hall. Email Randy to get signed up at <a href="rew@dynamicdefense.solutions">rew@dynamicdefense.solutions</a>, I promise this is a crime deterrent.
- -Our massive Voss Rd. barricades have been installed on the east side of Voss by "Drunkards Curve" ... The wall has been hit many times over the years and it's like Talladega Speedway on weekend nights on Voss. Thanks to our Wonderful County Commissioner Tom Ramsey, we have some very substantial barricades they furnished and installed at no cost to us (other than the Confiscatory taxes we pay the County for nothing) ....

Yes, we just painted them brown to match the others so don't ask.... with reflectors so as to avoid more wrecks. Thanks Commissioner Ramsey!

- -Pumpkin Patch is open at the Congregational Church, and now that it's below 90 degrees, they may last a bit longer! Perfect place to take kid/grandkid/Holiday pictures.
- -Our Farmers Market is awesome. We won 2022 Best Farmer's Market in Texas, a huge honor for the Carlson family (Market managers), FCC Church and our City. Now with cooler weather, it's THE place to be on Saturday morning.
- -The severe drought has again delayed completion of our Voss Road beautification and landscaping. Hopefully we'll catch up on rain and they can complete it this year.
- -Plans in the works for the first ever Memorial Villages BBQ cookoff to be held at our City Hall property. Hoping to have in early December when it's much cooler and open to all Memorial Village residents, so get your smoker ready to get your smoke on. More to follow.
- -Our Village continues to operate below budget on a very tight, fiscally conservative budget with no debt, thanks to our great staff and City Council, as always.

OK that's all I got. Enjoy the cooler weather and keep aware of your surroundings as we traverse this crazy County in which we live. The world is ablaze all around us with war, chaos, crime and deceit. I look around and am constantly reminded how abundantly blessed we are to be in Hunters Creek, please do the same.

HUGE ELECTION COMING UP SO VOTE ACCORDINGLY AND GO 'STROS!

Jim Pappas

Mayor