January 2024

Cromwell Mayor and Town Manager Update

Dear Residents,

The Town of Cromwell looks forward to 2024 and the new opportunities the year brings. We wanted to provide you with some updates on the activity around town.

We are pleased to announce that multiple new electronic vehicles charging stations have been installed in Cromwell. We expect these to be activated and ready to be used by early January. These are located at the Town Hall and Community Field Road parking lots. The Town has made significant investments in this infrastructure through a grant. The per kilowatt fee will be adjusted based on the cost of electricity and can be paid for through a credit card.

In an effort to increase transparency and opportunities for public input, we hosted three community forums, with the full Council on December 13th, December 15th with the Seniors, and on January 3rd virtually.

The Cromwell Middle School construction project is underway, residents will note a new sidewalk leading up to Watrous Park, a new three way stop sign on Geer Street and construction trailers being located on the property. The Building Committee continues to meet biweekly on Wednesdays.

Sidewalks on West Street have been installed connecting Town Hall to West Street with sidewalks for the first time. When the project is completed this spring, sidewalks will also connect West Street down to Pierson Park. The road realignment of Allen Road and the closing at the end of Lincoln and Elm is complete. This project was fully grant funded.

The Pierson Park renovations are underway with the former Public Works garage being converted into CIAC compliant locker rooms as well as other improvements to the site.

The Fields Committee and Town have submitted site plans to the Planning and Zoning Commission for the proposed multi-purpose fields at the high school. This project would include adding 150 additional parking spaces, building new tennis courts, replacing the aging track, the installation of a multiple use tuft field and supporting facilities. This project is not yet funded and is only in the planning and development phases. Given the potential cost associated with the project, if the Town chooses to bond for funding, it will need to go to referendum.

The following are some of the new businesses coming to Cromwell in 2024:

- Fuego Mexican Grille (formerly 99 Restaurant) in May 2024
- Texas Road House in March 2024
- Goldfish Swim School in January 2024
- Auto Zone in Summer 2024
- Demolition of 100 Berlin Road (formerly Red Lion) Spring 2024
- Popeyes (month to be determined)

Looking forward to the new year. If you have any questions, email me at Mayor@cromwellct.com.

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