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EAST PROSPECT NEWSLETTER – 4th Quarter 2020 (Issue 1)

Greetings! Welcome to the final quarter of 2020! First of all, I would like to apologize for not issuing a newsletter for the past 2 quarters of the year. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, I no longer have access to the equipment that I use to produce this letter and was unable to borrow anyone else's because of my work schedule. Fortunately, I was finally able to have some equipment lent to me. We hope you have been safe during this time and have been enjoying any events in the area that we had. As you already know, our Veteran's Memorial Day Parade was postponed to Labor Day and was still a great success! Thanks to all who sponsored, participated in and attended this wonderful event! And now for coming events and notices:

Turkey Dinners

Turkey dinners can be purchased this season but only pick-up, no dine in. In the rear of 28 West Maple Street after 2PM on the following dates:

October 10: benefits East Prospect Fire Company

October 24: Benefits East Prospect Playground

November 7: benefits East Prospect Lion's Club

Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 24 from 6-8PM at the church parking on the square at Main & Maples Streets: Zion UMC and East Prospect Community Pride Committee is sponsoring this event. Please call Terri Mellinger at 717-578-1260 if you would like to volunteer or see any member of the EP Community Pride Committee.

Trick-or-Treat Night

Trick-or-Treat night will go on as planned on Saturday, October 31 from 6-8PM. We ask that anyone participating handing out candy turn on their front porch lights. Trick-or-Treaters should wear reflective gear on their costumes and/or carry a flashlight. Fire police will be out directing traffic at the square for additional safety.

Ordinance Reminders

We would like to remind our residents that our Weed and grass ordinance does not allow growth in excess of 6 (six) inches other than for vegetation purposes and our snow and ice removal ordinance requires that snow and ice be removed from public sidewalks in front of your property within 18 hours after snowfall, so that there is a path of at least 24 inches in width. Please take care to adhere to these ordinances for the safety of you, your family and neighbors.

Free (Children's) Library

A borough resident proposed at the council meeting on October 7 that we mount a "free library" book shelf with a glass door on it at the playground where we could donate books for children to borrow and read. The borough council agreed to the idea and gave the Community Pride Committee permission to go about setting it up. No exact official date has been set, but it should be in place by the end of the year. A wonderful idea to enrich the lives of our children!

Police Situation

We know many of you are curious about the results of the recent survey and what will become of our quest to bring a local police department to the borough. At this time we are still tallying the results because we didn't have a chance to see the surveys sent to us through the website yet. Those results, as well as more details about having a local department serve our borough will be in issue 2 of this newsletter within a month or so. No contract has been signed yet and no final decision has been made about having a local police department serve us.

New Banners

New banners have been ordered and will be hung on telephone poles throughout the borough soon.

Thanks again for participating in these events and for bearing with us during these tough times. We hope to see you out in the community in the near future. If you have Facebook, you can check my page (see header on front page) for periodic updates from time to time or for information about events scheduled after this newsletter is published. The borough and Community Pride Committee have Facebook pages also. There will be a 2nd issue of this quarter's newsletter to cover information about decisions that have not been finalized yet.

Many blessings,

Matt Mann, Mayor