

# The Palm Valley Review

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## **"EXCELLENCE"**

**John Hollingsworth** presented his opinions of city staff at the recent City Council meeting. He spoke of excellence among the city employees being unequaled in every area. Of particular mention was the Police force. He explained that he was out of town for a few weeks and submitted a patrol request. He was informed of an unlocked door in his house and Officer Cody Hunt had gone above and beyond to do everything he could to secure the door until such time that the Hollingsworths returned home. Mr. Hollingsworth believes the City is very fortunate to have such a fine police department being led by example through Chief Garcia.

## **"OUTSTANDING"**

**Edna Butler** shared with the City Council her recent experience with our outstanding Police Department. She expressed her thanks to the police department because within a minute of calling on them when she discovered her husband had passed, they were at her door. The officer stayed with her for a few hours to ensure all was taken care of properly. Since then, the officers have checked with her regularly. Ms. Butler indicated that while she no longer has family here, there is no way she would move from Palm Valley. The responsiveness she has experienced with the police department has made her feel safe and at home. They have been marvelous!

## FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF GARCIA

Be on the lookout as various recent events have caused concern and extra inspection by the Police Department. Late Wednesday night, a male was seen by officers on duty getting in through a gate on Dilworth, South of Bellino. The officers chased him for a while then he fled back to the East towards Las Palmas. Also, over this last weekend, our officers were conducting surveillance on a vehicle late at night that was parking in the field East of Bougainvillea. When approached, the vehicle fled towards Las Palmas. Please, keep your vehicles locked and valuables out of sight. Thank you for the residents who have continued keeping exterior lighting on at night. It's helped us see individuals trying to hide.



We have been receiving calls of "shots fired" once in a while. Someone off Dilworth (outside our jurisdiction) is responsible. We would appreciate residents contacting us when they do hear shots.

National Night Out is coming up on October 6<sup>th</sup> from 5 pm – 8 pm! Mark your calendars!

***Report ANY suspicious activity 873-1500***

# HURRICANE SEASON IS UPON US! Be prepared!

Stop by City Hall for great tips and information on Hurricane preparedness.

## LOGO DESIGN CONTEST We are looking for a new City logo! Are you artistic?

Submit your logo design ideas! Award \$250!

### CRITERIA:

Open to Palm Valley residents only (initial round)

Must be original artwork

Present as a color design

Can be hand drawn sketches or professional renderings

Physical entries submit on 8 1/2" x 11" paper at City Hall

Electronic entries submit in .pdf format to  
cityofpalmvalley@yahoo.com

No limit on number of entries per participant

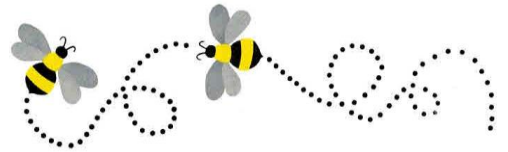
City of Palm Valley reserves the right to reject any/all entries

"all entrants must irrevocably assign their copyright for their submittals to City of Palm Valley in order for their entry to be considered"

Deadline is October 1<sup>st</sup>

### THE BUZZ... dedicated to citizen comments on a "topic of interest".

The City has some grassy land adjacent to Jack Nicklaus, where Bougainvillea hits PV Drive West. This is where a city park is being proposed. The City Council recently agreed to adopt an ordinance to create a *Parks and Recreation Advisory Board*. If you are interested in taking an active role on this board, please contact City Hall. Also, please continue sending your thoughts on the subject to [juliecmartin236@aol.com](mailto:juliecmartin236@aol.com).



**BRUSH COLLECTION** – The City of Palm Valley does not provide brush collection services. It is the property owner's responsibility to make arrangements to have their brush piles picked up. You might consider contacting Waste Management to see if they provide this type of service.

### NOTICE OF 2015 TAX YEAR PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR CITY OF PALM VALLEY

You are urged to attend and express your view at the second public hearing to be held September 1, 2015 @ 5:00 pm at City Hall, 1313 N Stuart Place Rd, Palm Valley, TX. A tax rate of \$0.452541 per \$100 valuation was proposed by the governing body of the City of Palm Valley at the first public hearing held Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>.

PROPOSED TAX RATE: \$0.452541 per \$100

PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE: \$0.452541 per \$100

EFFECTIVE TAX RATE: \$0.450225 per \$100

ROLLBACK TAX RATE: \$0.486243 per \$100

Your taxes owed under any of the above rates can be calculated as follows:

Property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact – Office of the Tax Assessor-Collector  
P O Box 952 – Brownsville, TX 78520 - (956) 544-0800 [www.cameroncountytax.org](http://www.cameroncountytax.org)

**Next Council Meetings: Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> and Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> both @ 5:00 pm**

#### City Info:

City Hall / Muni Court 423-8384

Police Dept 873-1500

Water Services 423-4040

City Website: [www.palmvalleytx.com](http://www.palmvalleytx.com)

#### The Council:

Mayor: George Rivera

Mayor Pro-Tem: John Widger

Councilmembers: Joe Jones, Julie C Martin,

Cissie Nesmith, Debe Wright