



POETRY POST

December 2023 Town Newsletter

NEW: TRASH CHANGES!

On November 16th, the Poetry Town Council voted to make **Blackjack Disposal** the exclusive polycart and smaller dumpster provider in the town! [CARDS and Titan will not be collecting polycarts and small dumpsters after December 31, 2023. The price for first polycart is \$27.50 + tax. Each additional polycart is \$12. You can call them at **972-427-7770** for more information or email poetry@blackjackdisposal.com. Roll-offs can still be provided by those **only** vendors who are approved in town. Currently, **Blackjack, CARDS, and Texas Contractors Roll-offs** are approved vendors in town. There is a \$500 per incident fine for a non-approved vendor.

Show your Christmas spirit BY ENTERING THE 3rd Annual Christmas Lights Contest!



Poetry's Christmas Lights Contest of 2023

For Poetry Residents and Poetry ETJ Residents

Register by emailing your name & address to contact@poetrytexas.org.

Registration ends December 12th.

Awards & prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places at

Poetry's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Held at Poetry Town Hall 5671 CR 323

December 16th from 5 pm to 6 pm

Come help us decorate the tree by hanging ornaments!

We will sing Christmas carols and light our Christmas Tree!



It is easy! **Send your name & address to contact@poetrytexas.org. In the subject line, please put Christmas Lights contest. No house is too small!**

Synopsis of November 2nd Workshop, Workshop & Special Meeting at Poetry Town Hall.

6:30 pm Workshop Meeting: Council members listened to citizens and discussed with attorney Berman a proposed zoning ordinance.

7:30 Special Meeting:

- **Denied** release from ETJ petition from Bishop Airfield Ranch, LLC.
- **Approved** release from ETJ petition by Emard.
- **Approved** release from ETJ petition by Bryant.
- **Approved** a \$125 processing fee for any new petitions to account for secretarial and legal time required.
- **Approved** renewal of M365 Business & Archiving license renewal using a Texas based company if the changeover is not labor intensive.
- **Approved** \$2600 for closed cell foam for the crawl space in the Town hall building. The meeting adjourned at 9:56 pm.

Synopsis of November 16th Regular Town Council Meeting at Poetry Town Hall.

The mayor announced Town Hall phone number **#469-902-7001**. The building is open to the public Thursdays 1-5 pm. She gave financial reports.

- **Voted** to pay legal bill of \$1706.25
- **Voted** to have an exclusive trash vendor for polycarts and small dumpsters. Voted for non-exclusive roll-offs.
- **Voted to choose Blackjack Disposal to begin exclusive service in Poetry Jan. 2nd. 2024.**
- **Formed** a subcommittee with CM Anderson, CM White and Mayor Senkevech to fine tune the Trash Collection Ordinance and Franchise Agreements.
- **Approved** HVAC installation for \$9044.99 and electrical expenses not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$10,500. Approved spending \$1000 for ADA looped railing needed.
- **Discussed** Town Policy determining removal of dead trees in the town's rights of way versus private property.
- **Voted** to allow Volunteer Roads team to spend up to \$3000 to repair Green Meadow, Four Post and Gate Lane which Kaufman county has not yet been completed in 7 months since approval.
- **Approved** Hunt County repairing 12 roads for \$4250.00 for materials costs.
- **Discussed** Zoning Ordinance with added amendments. Decided to form subgroup with CM Blake and CM White. Meeting adjourned at 9:56 pm.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Dec 1-Dec. 12th –Dates to enter the Christmas lights contest

Saturday, Dec. 16th Awards for Christmas lights and Tree Lighting at Poetry Town Hall 5-6 pm. Canned food drive! Bring an item that night for those in need!

Thursday, Dec. 21st, 2023, Regular Meeting at Town Hall at 6:30 pm.

Town Hall is located at 5671 CR 323 Poetry, TX 75160. See Poetrytexas.org for more information.

On November 11th, Larry Harrison dropped items for the **Fall Community Cleanup**. Volunteers Wyatt and James



Pollack are shown above assisting.



Texas Contractors Roll-offs provided a dumpster free of Charge for Tree limbs. Council member Mike Jaffe and Brian Vinson, are shown above cleaning up the grounds.

Concerned about your family's descendants selling out to just any developer?

Idea: Ask for your will to have specific deed restrictions prior to selling.

Let's Keep Poetry, Poetry!

We want to hear from you!

email mayor.tara@poetrytexas.org

Town Hall Finishing Touches

On November 7th, the Poetry Town Hall got a much-needed new roof! **Beauty Roofs**, owned by John Simmons, gave the town a great price! Thank you, Beauty Roofs!



(Below): **Freedom Foam** sprayed closed cell foam in the crawspace on November 15th, to provide insulation, pest control and strength to the flooring. Thank you, Freedom Foam!



(Below): **Mallard Air** finishes the HVAC installation at Town Hall November 29th. Thank you, Mallard Air! The building will be warm during meetings this winter and cooler in the summer!

