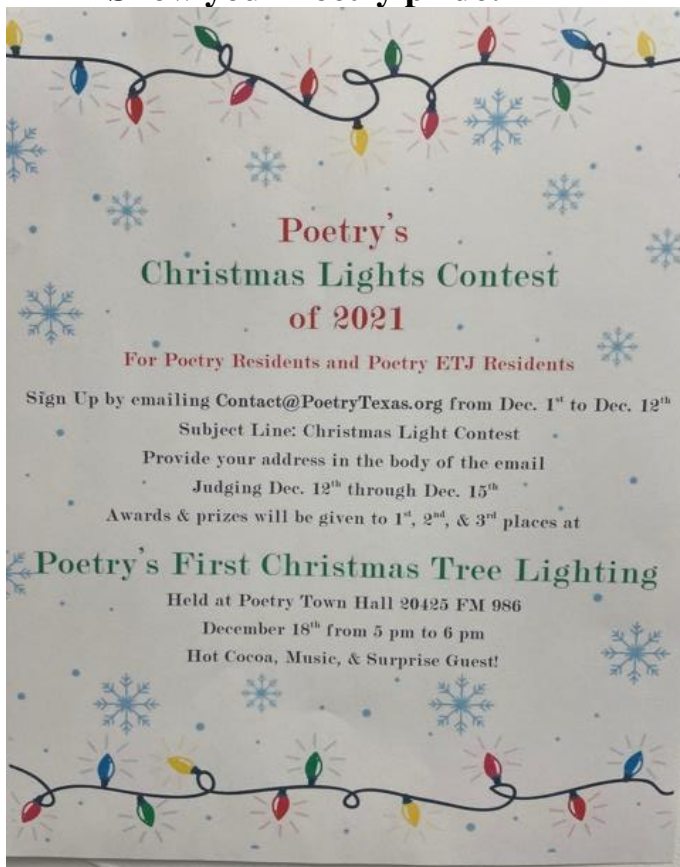


The First Christmas Tree Lighting is Saturday, December 18th 5pm.

Are you in the Town of Poetry or ETJ? Enter the contest by sending your address to contact@poetrytexas.org

Show your Poetry pride!



Nov. 2nd Meeting—canceled

November 10th Planning & Zoning

Meeting met at the Poetry Community Christian School entailed citizens offering ideas and questions concerning the comprehensive plan.

November 11th Special Town Hall Meeting. Honored our Veterans for Veterans Day!

- Gold Star Parents David & Debbie Emard and Judge David & Anne McNabb from our area were acknowledged.
- Canvassed our very first Poetry election. The votes in both counties were 280 total.
- Discussed supporting Governor Abbott's mandate against vaccine mandates. Measure failed.
- Discussed Town Attorney attending meetings by video conference to save legal fees. Approved once we have the correct equipment in place.
- Discussed and approved creating a volunteer committee to plan and assist with the Christmas Lights contest and tree lighting without any cost to the Town by using all volunteers and donations. If you would like to donate a prize or be a part, please contact Debbie Emard, #214-394-1523.

*The Interlocal Agreement with Hunt County for Poetry roads with was made official with Judge Stovall and Hunt County Clerk this month.

November 16th Town Council Meeting:

- Ted Turner, the triple great grandson of founder Elisha Turner spoke at the meeting.
- Approved QuickBooks Pro Desktop purchase.
- Approved amendment allowing for updating penalty for non-compliant Solid Waste vendors. The council decided to allow them 10 additional days to become compliant if they choose to sign up by Dec. 3rd & 4th.

APPROVED SOLID WASTE VENDORS FOR THE TOWN OF POETRY:

- AWT Sanitations: 903-573-2796
- CRS: 972-342-7639
- Reed Sanitations: 214-551-9079
- Titan Waste 972-564-2800



PUBLIC NOTICES: The 2% Sales & Use Tax **passed** by a total of 72% (combined counties) on the November 2nd.

It was made official by the November 11th canvas vote by Poetry Town Council. The sales & use tax will mean that businesses within the Town limits will collect & pay 2% sales tax to the State Comptroller on non-exempt purchases. The State will then send payment to the municipality. One hundred percent goes to repair Poetry roads. **If businesses currently collect county tax paid to the State, they will now be required to add the local tax to the monthly or quarterly reports starting Jan. 1st, 2022.**

Turner's Point in 1845, later renamed to Poetry. They attended a Fall Festival, the Town Council Meeting and spent a couple of weeks researching historical sites and enjoying the area.



Did you know that the weight limit on FM 1565 is 58,420 pounds? This Farm to Market road is maintained by the TX Department of Transportation.

Poetry Planning Committee: *We want your thoughts and opinions. If you have experience you want to share, please let us know. Please write to PoetryPlanning@gmail.com and attend the upcoming meetings. See website Poetrytexas.org for future meetings—Katherine Hartwicke, Chairwoman*

Town Restore project this month:

- Brett Patterson-donated funds for plumbing, staining help.
- Kane Hansard-donated time for electrical finish out trim carpentry to install new counters and sinks.

Tax Deductible donations are needed to finish out the Annex! Please send to CCC, Inc. 20425 FM 986 Poetry, TX 75160 put "Restore the church" in memo. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- * **Dec 1-12th**- Sign up for Lights Contest (online)
- * **Saturday, Dec. 18th** Awards & Tree Lighting Service 5-6pm - **Camp Ground Church/ Poetry Town Hall**
- * **Tuesday, December 21st**, 6:30 pm **Regular Town Council Meeting**-Faith Temple Baptist Church For more information see poetrytexas.org



Ted & Jeanne Turner of Montana, spent a beautiful Poetry day collecting trash at the Camp Ground Cemetary where his great, great great grandfather's tombstone lies. Elisha Turner is the founder of

