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Town Hall offices will be closed on December 24th and 25th, 2014 and January 1st, 2015. From all of us here at the Town of Pantego, we wish you a safe and prosperous New Year!

It's Election Time Again!

The Mayor and Town Council Place 4 & Place 5 are up for election. Those citizens interested in running for a place on the Town Council can obtain information on the Town's website under Elections, or visit the Secretary of State website (www.sos.state.tx.us) and the Texas Ethics Commission website (www.ethics.state.tx.us) for packet information. The time period to file an application with the Town Secretary will be from January 28th– February 27th. Early Voting by Personal Appearance begins on April 27th and ends on May 5th. The closest early voting location to Pantego is the Center for Community Service Junior League of Arlington located at 4002 W. Pioneer Pkwy, Arlington 76013. The voting location for Election Day will be at Town Hall.



Any election questions can be answered by contacting the Town Secretary office at (817) 617-3700 or jarrington@townofpantego.com.

Upcoming Meetings:

(Check website for times, locations & agendas)

Community Relations Board—January 6th

Town Council—January 12th & 26th

Economic Development Corp—January 14th & 28th

Pantego Youth Leadership Council— January 20th



Mayor's Red Kettle Challenge

Mansfield raised \$18,803.81, Arlington raised \$10,906.57 and Pantego raised \$3,059.71. The Town of Pantego raised 10.7% of the total collected amount while we represent .54% of the total population. Thank you to those who contributed to make this another successful year!





Message from the City Manager

The Town of Pantego is required by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to provide the following mandatory notices to each of its utility customers. The Town still continues to hold a superior water quality rating from the TCEQ, and we have no reason to believe that there are any issues that would affect the safety or quality of our drinking water.

The first notice references a testing program that was required to be conducted every three years, in which water samples are acquired from individual homes at inside source taps. New mandates require that these tests be performed annually. The purpose of this testing program is to monitor lead and copper levels in the internal plumbing systems. The results of these tests are typically reported on the annual water quality report. The next opportunity to submit samples will be June 1, 2015. The Public Works Department is scheduled to do so at that time.

The second notice references samples taken on a monthly basis and submitted to a TCEQ approved lab for analysis to determine the presence of coliform bacteria. The Town of Pantego is mandated to take a minimum of two samples per month. The Public Works Department currently takes four samples from stations located throughout the Town. Two samples taken on December 4th tested positive for coliform bacteria. The TCEQ standard is that more than one positive test for a community our size requires a notification to all utility customers. The Public Works Department immediately retested both stations, as well as the adjacent connections and three active water wells, for a total of nine tests. All subsequent tests were negative for coliform bacteria. These are highly complex testing procedures, and numerous factors could result in a positive response. The Public Works Department has submitted a request to TCEQ to invalidate the positive test, based on environmental conditions the day the test was taken. Regardless, we will continue to monitor at a heightened level through January to ensure the quality of our water. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (817) 617-3705, or by e-mail at mfielder@townofpantego.com.

Mandatory Language for a Monitoring & Reporting Violation-Lead and Copper Monitoring

Town of Pantego PWS ID 2200061 has violated the monitoring and reporting requirements set by Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) in Chapter 30, Section 290, Subchapter F. Public water systems are required to monitor for Lead and Copper and report the results of that monitoring to the TCEQ. During January 1, 2012- December 31, 2014, we did not complete all monitoring and/or reporting for lead and copper, and therefore TCEQ cannot be sure of the safety of your drinking water during that time.

We are working to correct the problem. The Town of Pantego water utilities division will begin lead and copper samples in June of 2015. Also beginning in January 2015 water utilities will begin a hydrant flushing program to ensure continued water quality and a superior rating of the water system.

Please share this information with all the people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (i.e., people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail. If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact the City Manager, Matt Fielder at (817) 617-3705.

Posted/Delivered on: December 22, 2014.

Mandatory Language for Public Notification-MCL Coliform Violation (TCR 22)

The Town of Pantego PWS/ID 2200066 water system collected two (2) water samples during December 2014, that contained coliform bacteria. This water system is required to submit a minimum of four (4) routine water samples each month for bacteriological analysis. Two (2) routine samples were coliform-found and zero (0) repeat samples were coliform-found for the month and year indicated above.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) sets drinking water standards in Texas and has determined that the presence of total coliform is a possible health concern. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems. For water systems analyzing at least 40 samples per month, no more than five (5) percent of the monthly samples may be positive for total coliform. For system analyzing fewer than 40 samples per month, no more than one (1) sample per month may be positive for total coliform.

If you have questions regarding this matter, you may contact the City Manager, Matt Fielder at (817) 617-3705.