



*Our Home Town*

OCTOBER 2020

Newsletter of the

*City of Smiley Texas*

#### MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Citizens of Smiley,

City Hall is open and will continue to allow one person at a time in the lobby. Please wear your face coverings when you enter into the city building. We will continue following all health and safety guidelines issued by our governor, state and local health officials.

The Ratified “No New Revenue Tax Rate” and Budget were approved for 2020-2021. The NNR rate will be 0.3573 per \$100 of value. The engagement letter presented by Donald Goldman, Hunt & Notz, L.L.P. was approved for the year ended September 30, 2019.

Due to the installation of the new AMR/AMI water meters and upgrade of our billing system from a version 8 to 10, the bills for the month of September were delayed. City utility bills for August consumption were sent out on October 8<sup>th</sup> and our city is asking if anyone does not receive a bill by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to contact the utility office at 830-587-6220. The bills are due by October 28<sup>th</sup>. ACH customers will have their payment deducted by the due date. The office is working on the September readings and we expect to resume regular monthly billing in December or January. We understand that some residents may have some financial difficulties due to covid-19 and we want to help. We can set up a one-time payment plan for accounts with a past due balance of over 30 days.

City Council and I, along with our staff, have been working hard to adjust to the issues, concerns, and priorities during the pandemic. Let us know if we can help you in any way. We will do our best to help our great community of Smiley. Our city secretary has been working diligently on transferring our valued customers to a new improved billing system. Thank you to all who have been patient during the pandemic and billing process!!

We have also been working on making some improvements to our city streets. The city has received a \$595,000 MIT grant to fix some streets. The areas that will be repaired are those that were affected by Harvey.

As many of you may know, WE are having our very own DOLLAR GENERAL in the big City of Smiley! How great is that? We are so excited for the new business that is coming to town and hope you are too!!! ☺

Michael Scherrer is now our new Public Works Director for water. He is also in charge of the waste water treatment plant and Animal Control. He is doing a GREAT job!

The next meeting date will be October 15<sup>th</sup>, at the Smiley Community Center @ 6PM. The meeting will also be held by telephone conference, please check front door posting or City website at [www.smileytx.com](http://www.smileytx.com) or Fb page

Sincerely,  
Mayor Mills ☺

**TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SMILEY, TEXAS  
NOTICE OF THE NOVEMBER 3RD, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION**  
For voting in General Election to elect Mayor and two Council Members

**LOCATION FOR VOTING ON NOVEMBER 3, 2020:  
SMILEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
208 FM 108 N., SMILEY, TX 78159  
7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE  
WILL BE EACH WEEKDAY AT**

**Randle Rather Building  
427 St. George  
Gonzales, Texas 78629**

**Nixon City Hall  
100 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St  
Nixon, Texas 78140**

**City of Waelder  
300 Hwy 90 W  
Waelder, Texas 78959**

**BETWEEN THE HOURS OF**  
October 13, 2020 to October 30, 2020  
8:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Monday - Friday  
October 26<sup>th</sup> and October 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Gonzales Location)

Applications for new ballot by mail shall be mailed to:  
County Clerk's Office, 427 St. George, Suite 200, Gonzales, Texas 78629  
No later than Friday, October 23, 2020; Received, Not Postmarked

**Michael K. Mills, Mayor  
City of Smiley**

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**A LOS VOTANTES REGISTRADOS DE LA CIUDAD DE SMILEY, TEXAS  
AVISO DE LAS ELECCIONES GENERALES DEL 3 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2020**  
Para votar en las Elecciones Generales para elegir alcalde y dos miembros del Consejo

**UBICACIÓN PARA VOTAR EL 3 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2020  
SMILEY VOLUNTEER DEPARTAMENTO DE BOMBEROS**  
208 FM 108 N., SMILEY, TEXAS 78159  
7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**VOTACIÓN TEMPRANA POR APARIENCIA PERSONAL  
SERÁ CADA DÍA DE LA SEMANA EN**

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**ENTRE LAS HORAS DE**  
Del 13 de Octubre de 2020 al 30 de Octubre de 2020  
8:00 p.m. a 4:45 p.m. Lunes – Viernes  
26 de Octubre y 27 de Octubre de 7:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m. (Ubicación de Gonzales)

Las solicitudes de nueva boleta por correo se enviarán por correo a:  
County Clerk's Office, 427 St. George, Suite 200, Gonzales, Texas 78629  
A más tardar el viernes 23 de Octubre de 2020; Recibido, no marcado

**Michael K. Mills, Alcalde  
Ciudad de Smiley**

**MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT....GO VOTE!!!!**

**For Voter Related Information, please visit:**

**[elections@sos.texas.gov](mailto:elections@sos.texas.gov) / [www.sos.texas.gov](http://www.sos.texas.gov)**