

To: City Council and Mayor  
From: Matt Muckler, City Administrator  
Date: October 19, 2016  
Weekly Council Update

- **Prescription Drug Disposal Event – Sat. Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00 a.m.-Noon:** The West Branch Police Department, in cooperation with the Drug Enforcement Administration, will be hosting a drug disposal event on Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at City Offices, located at 110 N Poplar Street. Expired or unused prescription drugs can be dropped off to a member of the Department for safe disposal. The event is a free service offered to the public. For questions or more information regarding the event, please contact the West Branch Police Department at (319) 643-2222 or the City Office at (319) 643-5888.

- **Leaf Pickup is Now Underway:** Public Works began its curbside leaf collection on Monday October 17th. Leaf collection begins at approximately 7:30 am on the east side of town every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Public Works makes every attempt to reach the whole town each day, but occasionally leaf collection cannot be completed in one day. During those times, Public Works will do another collection the following day for residents that could not be picked up the previous day. The City asks that leaves be raked to the curb for pickup and be free of tree limbs, sticks, grass clippings and garbage. Leaves mixed with other yard waste or placed in plastic bags will not be accepted.

Also as a reminder, the City's curbside yard waste collection is on the first and third Thursday of every month during the spring, summer and fall months. Yard waste includes grass clippings, leaves, wastes common in gardening or landscaping, clippings from bushes or shrubs, sticks and tree limbs. All limbs too large for a container must be cut to under 4 foot lengths and be in manageable bundles at the curbside. All other yard waste must be bagged or placed in a container at the curbside. All containers must be under 50 pounds and any bag used must be a decomposable bag. Any yard waste in plastic bags will not be accepted.

The City's Public Works department will continue both collections until December 2nd. After that time, residents can haul yard waste to the City Brush Pile located a half mile east of S. Downey Street on Fawcett Drive. The City does not accept yard waste in plastic bags, any kind of construction material, garbage, dirt or rock in this area. Please direct any questions on either of these programs to the City Office at (319) 643-5888 or Public Works Director Matt Goodale at (319) 325-8213.

- **Halloween Soup Supper & Costume Contest:** Trick or Treat is from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and the Halloween Soup Supper will take place between 5:00-7:30 p.m. on Halloween, Monday October 31st at the West Branch Fire Station. The event flyer is attached to this week's *Update*. The Halloween Soup Supper and Costume Contest is hosted by the City of West Branch Parks & Recreation Department in cooperation with the Animal Control Commission and the West Branch Police and Fire Departments. Food will be served from 5:00-7:30 p.m. at the Fire Station located at 105 South Second Street. One change to the event this year is the timing of the costume contest. This year, the costume contest starts promptly at 6:00 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for best costume in various age categories, as well as Best Family Costume, Best Pet Costume, Best Pet and Owner Costume, and Scariest Overall Costume.
  
- **Wapsi Creek Park:** While there is still some finish grading and other work that needs to be completed with the project, families are already starting to enjoy the new playground equipment that was installed at Wapsi Creek Park. City staff has already received many positive comments from residents who have walked by or played in the park.
  
- **4<sup>th</sup> Street Almost Finished:** The paving of 4<sup>th</sup> Street has been completed. Starting on October 20<sup>th</sup>, the paving of driveways and sidewalks is scheduled to begin. Access to the West Branch Animal Clinic and all properties on N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street north of the clinic will continue to be from the north until the approaches are completed. The parking lot for the West Branch Animal Clinic is scheduled to be paved on Friday October 28<sup>th</sup>. Residents who are located close to the clinic are asked to continue using street parking on 4<sup>th</sup> Street south of the project.
  
- **Upcoming City Meetings & Events:** Please see the Calendar of Events on the City Website <http://westbranchiowa.org/home> for a complete list of upcoming events. There are several meetings and other community events currently scheduled in the next few weeks:
  - Thursday October 20th at 6:30 p.m. Park & Rec. Mtg. at City Office
  - Thursday October 20th at 6:30 p.m. Library Board of Trustees Meeting at WBPL
  - Friday October 21st at 7:30 p.m. WB vs. Clayton Ridge at Little Rose Bowl
  - Monday October 31st, 5:00-8:00 p.m. Halloween Trick or Treat
  - Monday October 31st, 5:00-7:30 p.m. Halloween Chili Supper at the Fire Station
  - Monday October 31st, 6:00 p.m. Halloween Costume Contest at Fire Station
  - Monday November 7th at 7:00 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting
  - Tuesday November 8th at 6:30 p.m. Animal Control Commission Meeting
  - Thursday November 10th at 6:30 p.m. Library Board of Trustees Meeting at WBPL
  - Friday November 11th Veterans Day Holiday – City Office Closed
  - Monday November 15th at 7:00 p.m. Joint Work Session of Council and P&Z
  - Monday Nov. 15th (after Work Session) Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting
  - Monday November 21st at 7:00 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting
  - Thursday Nov. 24th & Fri. Nov. 25th Thanksgiving Holiday – City Office Closed

**The information provided is one-way communication and should not be discussed among you as this would be a violation of the open meeting law.**

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## SOUP SUPPER AND COSTUME CONTEST

AT THE WEST BRANCH FIRE STATION

Supper from 5-7:30 pm

\$5 PER PERSON

\$20 PER FAMILY

(IMMEDIATE FAMILY ONLY PLEASE)

HOT DOG ONLY- \$2 \* SOUP ONLY- \$3

MEALS AVAILABLE TO GO

**COSTUME CONTEST AT 6PM**

**BEST COSTUME PRIZES FOR ALL AGES!**

**BEST COSTUME BY AGE**

**BEST FAMILY COSTUME**

**BEST PET/OWNER COSTUME**

**SCARIEST OVERALL COSTUME**



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**MENU:**  
BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP,  
CHILI, OR HOT DOG  
TEXAS ROADHOUSE ROLL,  
COOKIE, AND DRINK

**\$5 PER PERSON**  
**\$20 PER FAMILY**  
(IMMEDIATE FAMILY ONLY PLEASE)

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