

State of the City of West Fork 2017

2017 in West Fork witnessed many exciting changes and advancements across all departments. Citizens should be comforted by the stewardship of the Department Heads and City Council. In 2017 the City saw revenues increase beyond budgeted amounts across all departments, a true sign of growth. Through careful management lead by the City Treasurer and Department heads the City also came in under budget by roughly \$350,000. While coming in under budget the City still completed many projects. The Park's Department and the Economics and Beautification Committee partnered to erect the wonderful "Welcome to West Fork" sign near the I-49 on-ramp. Public Works completed a long-needed sidewalk connection on McKnight Street, oversaw the rehabilitation of sewer infrastructure and street overlay in West Fork Acres, and began a project of installing digital water meters in the city. The West Fork Fire Department constructed a training tower next to the Fire Station. The Police Department has added 24/7 police patrol and has implemented many valuable community policing programs typically only found in cities much larger than ours. Our Court and Library Departments are diligently planning for major changes and growth in the very near future. Other noteworthy changes in 2017 include a slight increase in new home construction permits issued, the addition of curb side recycling, increased recycle center hours of operation, and the completion of the new City Administration Building located at 164 North Centennial Avenue. Through these and many other accomplishments the City of West Fork is very much transitioning itself for a healthy and robust future.