

Ellis County Environmental/Planning and Zoning

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Upcoming Events

November 11

Veteran's Day (Office closed November 12th)

November 22

Thanksgiving (Office closed November 22nd & 23rd)

December 25

Christmas Day (Office closed December 24th & 25th)

Welcome to the Ellis County Environmental Office Newsletter! In the months to come, we will have plenty of information for you, as a citizen, to better help protect yourself, your neighbor, and the land you live on.

Spread the Word

If you know anyone who would like to be a part of our newsletter, just have them give us a call at 785-628-9449 or email us at mruder@ellisco.net to be added to our monthly newsletter.

Suggestions

Is there a topic you are curious about? We would be more than happy to tackle any topic you would like to hear about regarding what the Ellis County Environmental Office does.

About Us

The Ellis County Environmental Office provides environmentally sound practices and progressive development that help Ellis County residents protect the land and ground water in the county.

The Planning and Zoning Division strives to ensure that the Ellis County Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations are followed in providing proper land use and development of Ellis County properties.

Important Announcements

November 28th-
Joint Planning Commission Meeting

December TBD-
Joint Planning Commission Meeting

(see www.ellisco.net for meeting date)

November and December (follow-up/announcement)

Recap:

January: We covered Zoning Regulations which are used to help ensure land is in its best use and help maintain property values.

February: "Living in the Country" was the theme. In there, we covered how we have put all the necessary information for first time country folk on who, what, when, where, and why to contact to get your country life started.

March: March was Household Hazardous Waste month. We covered what HHW is and how to dispose of it with our office.

April: Floodplain Awareness was April's topic. Here, we covered where to find floodplain information and how it can be used to develop land, mitigate risks, and save lives and money.

May: Property Transfers happen quite a bit in Ellis County. In this newsletter, we discussed how buyers/sellers are supposed to get inspections done to prepare everyone for a smooth transition into a new home with checking out their private water well and private wastewater systems.

June: In this newsletter, we looked at Private Water Wells. We covered what our office does with permitting and testing of wells and how to keep them as contamination free as possible.

July: Following June's newsletter, we delved deeper into water screens. What they are, how they are used, and why they are important to providing clean water.

August & September: Part 1 & 2 (respectively) of Private Wastewater Systems was the goal of these co-awareness months. Here, we discussed what these systems are for, how they are used, and why they need to follow specific installation guidelines for maximum efficiency.

October: The Ellis County Environmental Code was addressed here. We discussed the purpose and intent of the code for water preservation and our office's responsibilities.



In the Community

Frost Fest Activities at the Hays Public Library
December 15, 2018, 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM @ Hays Public Library

Santa Arriving at Big Creek Crossing
November 23, 2018, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM @ Big Creek Crossing

[Much, Much More!](#)

Check your local City's Calendar or the Ellis County Webpage for any and all events happening in your community!

Ellis County Environmental/Planning & Zoning Fees 2018

Water Well Permit.- \$60.00
Wastewater Permit- \$60.00
Water Screen
Nitrate/Bacteria- \$20.00
Nitrate/Bacteria/RO-\$25.00
Property Transfer Evaluations
Water Well- \$50.00
Wastewater- \$50.00
Both- \$75.00

****please contact office for any fees that may occur***

In the Next Year

Our office is going to go to a quarterly newsletter (Qtr. 1: January-March, Qtr. 2: April-June, Qtr. 3: July-September, Qtr. 4: October-December)

This new structure will allow for more in-depth discussion on various topics within our office and will provide a greater layout for what this office will achieve or work on in each quarter.

Thank you!

Our office would not be here without the wonderful citizens of Ellis County. If there is ever anything you would like us to improve on or just have a general suggestion, please contact us at the information listed at the top of Page 1.

And we will see you in January for the Qtr. 1 Newsletter!

A full list of our newsletters (past and present) can be found here:

<https://www.ellisco.net/602/Newsletter>