

The City View ★ July 2017

NEW to Safford Residents

- Beginning July 1 -

Landfill hours on Saturdays only will be 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (Monday-Friday hours of 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. will not be affected).

Safford residents will be allowed one free pick-up load (or equivalent) of residential trash each month.

Please remember to tarp your loads.

For questions, please call 928-432-4200.



The Golf Course began improvements in June on the driving range by increasing the size of the tee box and reseeded the area. The new tee box is approximately five times larger than the original, providing more useable area. The driving range greens will also be reestablished.

Why do we chip seal city roads?

Chip sealing existing road surfaces seals the road from water intrusions, protects the asphalt from weathering and oxidation due to water and sun and extends the life of the road by approximately five years. The City of Safford has successfully used the chip sealing method for 12 years.

The chip sealing process begins with patching holes and cleaning debris from the road. An asphalt distributor truck then begins by spraying hot liquid asphalt with a temperature of 180 – 190 degrees. A chip spreader follows as rapidly as possible with a rock application (preferably within one minute.) The rocks are an aggregate crushed to a special specification for size and cleanliness. Next, a rubber-tire roller is used to set the rock into the liquid asphalt. Rolling orients the flat sides of the rock down and produces a tighter chip seal after approximately two to four passes. The chips are then compacted for maximum adherence to the asphalt. Any excess stone is swept from the surface as the loose rock can grind and loosen rock set in the chip seal and damage the road surface.

Approximately one year after the road is chip sealed, a process referred to as fog sealing is then applied. Fog seal is a specifically designed asphalt emulsion used on an existing paved road surface to seal, rejuvenate, narrow cracks, restore flexibility to the pavement surface and preserve the underlying pavement structure.



The Governor's Office of Highway Safety and the Safford Police Department would like remind everyone not to drive distracted; be sure to have a designated driver if you drink and remember, always wear your seatbelt! We wish you all a safe and happy Independence Day!



Parade - Tuesday, July 4 at 10:00 a.m. - Safford's Main Street
Fireworks begin at dark at the Graham County Fairgrounds