May 2024 Edition



Remarks from Commissioner Kelly Dunkerley

Summer is finally here, which means our parks, shopping, and attractions will be filled with families and visitors. We've been working hard to improve our Tulsa County Parks, including an expansion at the LaFortune Park Case Tennis Center, new bathrooms at South County Park Golf facility, and new ADA trails at the LaFortune Park bison herd site. If you haven't been by there recently, go check out the first family of bison. The second family is coming soon.



The other Commissioners and I have made several trips to Oklahoma City, and a trip to Washington D.C., to ensure legislation such as our levee funding are given top priority. I've also been working hard on economic development and showcasing all that Tulsa County has to offer.

We've been out attending events in district almost every day, and have enjoyed meeting citizens and hearing your concerns. I hope to see you out and about soon!

Kelly Dunkerley District 3 County Commissioner www2.tulsacounty.org/government/elected-officials/kelly-dunkerley/

Legislative Trips

Commissioner Dunkerley has made several trips, along with other County Commissioners from around the state, to the capital in order to request money that has been taken away from unincorporated areas be restored to our maintenance and operations funds.

As costs have escalated with inflation, it is now more important than ever to put that money back into the County's roads. If you would like more information about this issue, please reach out to our office.



On a recent trip to Washington D.C., Commissioner Dunkerley visited with FEMA officials about Tulsa County's recently awarded Hazard Mitigation grant. This grant will allow the County to improve flood prone areas of Garnett from 91st to 101st, and Garnett to Mingo on 101st.







Commissioner Dunkerley joined more than 50 other county, business, and community leaders at the Tulsa Regional Chamber's OneVoice Fly-in in Washington DC in May.

The Oklahoma delegation had exclusive access to federal policy experts, members of Congress, and their staff. Topics included tax rates, workforce development, permitting reform, and the 2024 election.



District 3 Neighborhood Cleanup Days

We had a great turnout at our four neighborhood cleanup days! Thanks to all who participated.

We had 19 total roll-off containers located in Glenpool/Jenks, Bixby, Broken Arrow, and Tulsa.



TULSA COUNTY DISTRICT 3 NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP DAYS

BRING YOUR HOUSEHOLD WASTE TO ONE OF FOUR LOCATIONS 8 am to 1 pm

(or until containers are full)



Saturday, February 17th Glenpool/Jenks - South County Recreation- 13800 S Peoria Ave.

Saturday, March 9th Tulsa- LaFortune Park SW Corner- 5961 S Yale Ave.

Saturday, March 23rd Broken Arrow- Haikey Creek Park- 11327 S Garnett Rd.

Saturday, April 13th Bixby- Washington Irving Park- 13700 S Memorial Ave.

No commercial waste, paints, pollutants, refrigerators or AC units. Please do not leave trash on the ground at dumpster sites.



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Highway Maintenance and Operations



District 3 sends crews out 2 to 3 times every week to fill and patch roads. There is a box structure coming soon to replace the 1930's culvert structure on 171st between highway 75 and Elwood.



Tulsa County is also in the process of replacing 5 other small bridges in Leonard on 171st, or old highway 64. We have been busy clearing creeks and ditches, as well as trenching ditches.

Tulsa County Park News

A groundbreaking was held in April for the Mike Case Tennis Center expansion. Former District 3 Commissioners Fred Perry and Ron Peters, Tennis Center Director Melissa McCorkle, donors Deborah Hale and Mike Case, and over hundred of other tennis enthusiasts joined in on the celebration. This project is a public/private partnership that will benefit the whole community.

NatureWorks held a dedication at the Herd at LaFortune park in May. The first family of bison has already been installed, with the second and third coming soon. 40 life sized bison will eventually become a point of destination rivaling similar bronze sculpture attractions like the Longhorn Cattle Drive in Ft. Worth and Branding the Brazos of Waco. This project is a privately funded addition to the park.





Out and About

Commissioner Dunkerley was honored to attend the 17th Annual Above & Beyond Service Awards held by the Tulsa Rotary Club. Lieutenant Brandon Watkins was selected as Police Officer of the year, while firefighter Harrison Moseby was selected as Firefighter of the Year posthumously.

Tulsa County staff and Commissioner Dunkerley presented to nearly 150 Central Bixby Elementary school children about County government. The Sheriff's office and park naturalists also presented.

District 3 attended and helped celebrate the brand new Liberty Public Schools F5 tornado gym and classroom building. This is a much needed improvement!

Commissioner Dunkerley is working with Creek and Okmulgee County Commissioners Newt Stephens and Erik Zoellner on a new water tower near 161st and Lewis. The \$13 million dollar water expansion project will serve the 6,000 members across 93 square miles.

Former District 3 Commissioner Fred Perry was honored for his work fighting child abuse at the Parent Child Center of Tulsa. April was Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month.

Commissioner Dunkerley and Chief Deputy Gantz attended the 73rd Annual National Day of Prayer at Evergreen Baptist Church.

Have an event you'd like us to attend? Send us your info!







Email us



Calendar of Events

Date	Event
May 11 - 25	Breeder's Invitational- Ford Livestock Complex Expo Square
May 24 - 26	Super Chip RC Drag Race- Expo Square
May 25 - 26	Family Camping Night- Chandler Park
May 31 - 6 to 8pm	Art in the Park- LaFortune Park
June 6 - 8	Mecum Auction- SageNet Center
June 10 - 22	Pinto World Championship Show- Ford Livestock Complex
June 13 - 15	Juneteenth Festival- Tulsa
June 22	Route 66 Road Fest-SageNet Center
July 5 - 12	Pony of the Americas National Congress - Ford Livestock Complex
July 12 - 14	An Affair of the Heart- SageNet Center
July 14 - 20	ABRA World Show- Ford Truck Arena

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