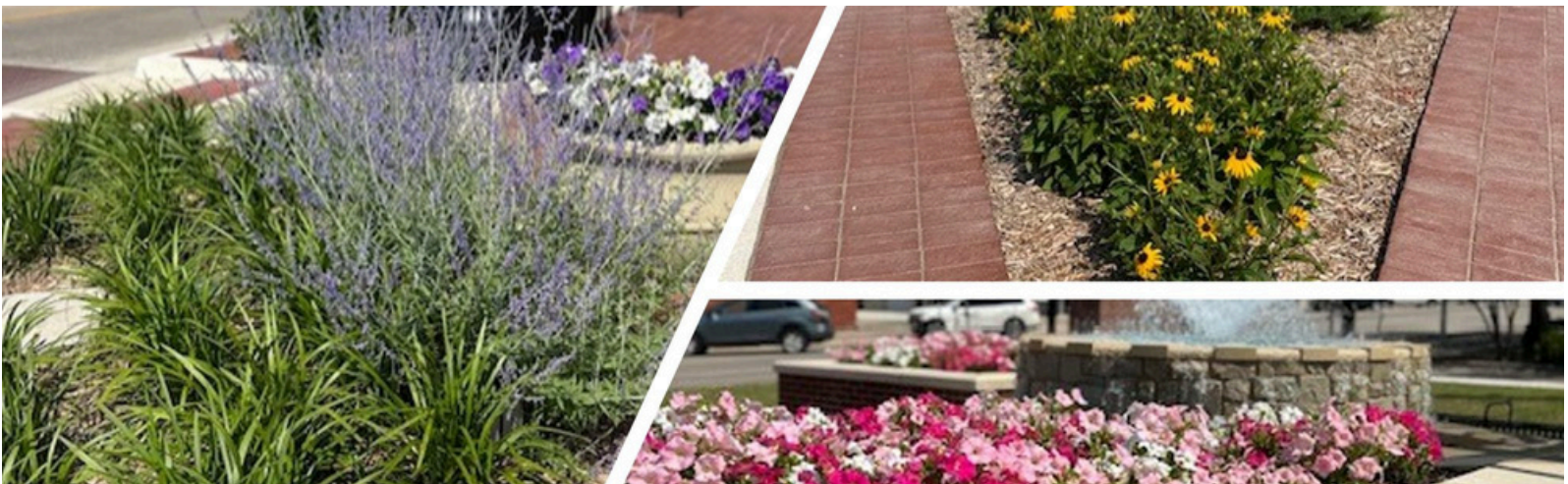




CITY OF ADA REPORT

MAY 2024



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WELCOME

Mayor and Council Members,

Spring has sprung, the temperatures are rising and summer is upon us. The change in weather isn't the only change we've experienced recently, a new chapter will begin at the City of Ada under the direction of new City Manager, Tracy Roles. I would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to Tracy on behalf of the staff at the City of Ada. Tracy comes to Ada from Bartlesville, OK where he has been serving as Assistant City Manager. He graduated from Latta High School and received his B.S. in Criminal Justice from East Central University. We are excited for him to join the City of Ada team and look forward to working together to make Ada even better. In addition to the new City Manager, we will also be swearing in a new Council this month. Congratulations to Council Member Yoli Vazquez on your re-election, and to newly elected Council Member Holly Johnson. We look forward to working with each of you over the next term. There is much to be accomplished in the months ahead of us and I am confident that, with the leadership and direction of the Council combined with the hard work of staff, we will continue to provide new opportunities for our citizens while maintaining and enhancing the quality of life we enjoy in Ada. I would be remiss if I didn't express my sincere gratitude for the service Council Member John Hargrave has provided to the City of Ada over the last four years. We appreciate your dedication and service to this community.

In closing, I want to say thank you to the City of Ada staff/team, the City Council and the entire community for being so supportive during this transitional period of leadership. I feel very fortunate to live in such a wonderful community comprised of such outstanding organizations that continually invest and support each other. During the past few months, it has become even more apparent how special the people are in Ada, OK. I am excited for the City of Ada's future. Together, we will do great things.

Thank you for serving this great community!

Angie Stout

Angie Stout, Assistant City Manager



FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Focus on City of Ada Utilities



**UTILITIES OFFICE MANAGER
BREA CLOUD**

Brea earned her BA in General Studies and Human Services from East Central University.

She has experience working with INCODE, MS Word, Excel, QuickBooks, and accounting software. Her skills and expertise include working under pressure, multi-tasking, communication and problem solving.

Her spouse is Steven Callaway and they have one daughter, Teagan, who is in the 8th grade at Ada Jr. High. Teagan is on the swim team and is active in Girl Scouts.



Utilities Department Employees

Michelle Stinnett - Steve Murray
Derrek Thompson - Adrianna George
Andy Kull

Utilities Information

- The Utilities Department currently serves more than 11,000 meters.
- You can create an online account at www.adaok.com, which allows access to pay online, bill history, consumption history, stop service option, bill pay reminders, and more!
- If you have an updated e-mail or phone number, please let the Utilities Department know by e-mailing utilities@adaok.com.

**APRIL 2024
SALES TAX
\$1, 554,391.88
(+.00403%)**

HUMAN RESOURCES



KRISTI MANUEL
HR ASSISTANT II

Kristi grew up in South Oklahoma City and graduated from East Central University in Ada with a degree in counseling. She is also a former ECU Cheerleader.

She has worked in the Human Resources field for over 10 years, and prior to that in the healthcare field for 15. She joined the City of Ada in the HR Department in December of 2021.

She has been married to the love of her life, Lonnie Ray Manuel Jr., for eight years. In her spare time, she loves hanging out with her French Bulldog, Huckleberry, reading, shopping, and watching Hallmark Movies.

MARCH 2024

Open positions:

Communications Dispatcher
Probationary Police Officer
Utilities Customer Services Clerk I or II
Human Resources Assistant II
Building Official/Building Inspector
Code Enforcement Assistant
Recreation Assistant I
Grants Administrator

NEW HIRES

Michael Medina-Construction Worker I
Robert Landrum - Street Worker I
David Rhodes - Cemetery Worker I
Dekana Blackwell
Probationary Police Officer
Robin Giovanni Lawson
911 Communication
Ronnie Scott Bickham
Code Enforcement Assistant (CD)
Roy Fruen
Line Maintenance Worker I

PROMOTIONS

David Hall - Worker I to Worker II
Ana Martin - Acting Sgt. to Sgt.
Richard Hubble - Acting Sgt. to Sgt.
Matthew Mericle - Sgt. to Captain
Marcus Beale - Detective to Sgt.
Brian Engel - Acting Capt. to Capt.
Adam Boyette - Acting Capt. to Capt.

Current openings: ada.ok.com/jobs

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR!

The grass is growing, and lawns need to be mowed. The City of Ada wants to remind all residents of a few mowing tips to keep our community thriving.

- Keep grass under 12 inches tall.
- This includes yards and adjoining alleyways.
- Do not discharge grass clippings and yard waste into city streets and sidewalks. It poses a safety hazard for motorcyclists and bicyclists.
- Blow clippings from city streets back into yard.
- Homeowners, businesses, and renters **are responsible** for cutting grass and weeds before they exceed the height limit (12 inches).



TO REPORT VIOLATIONS:
scott.bickham@adaok.com
or jeff.wood@adaok.com



MELISSA JONES
OFFICE MANAGER

Melissa grew up in Oklahoma City and holds an AAS in Paralegal Studies from Rose State College.

She previously worked at Mehlburger Brawly Engineering Firm in McAlester as the Director of HR/Finance.

She has been with the City of Ada as the Community Development Office Manager for the last eight years. If you've called into Community Services, you have most likely visited with Melissa.

When not at work, Melissa enjoys spending time with her grandchildren and currently serves as Girl Scout Leader of Troop 7482.

COMMUNITY SERVICES
CODE ENFORCEMENT
580.436.6300 x236

Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, and Roofing Permit Applications are now available at www.adaok.com.

PUBLIC WORKS

**FEBRUARY 1 - MAY 1
PW has completed:**

9,720 linear feet (Striping)

75 repairs (Potholes)

2,569.58 tons (Asphalt Road
Repair)

627 cubic yards concrete
(road repair)

2,115 linear feet of new sewer
line (Pipe Bursting)



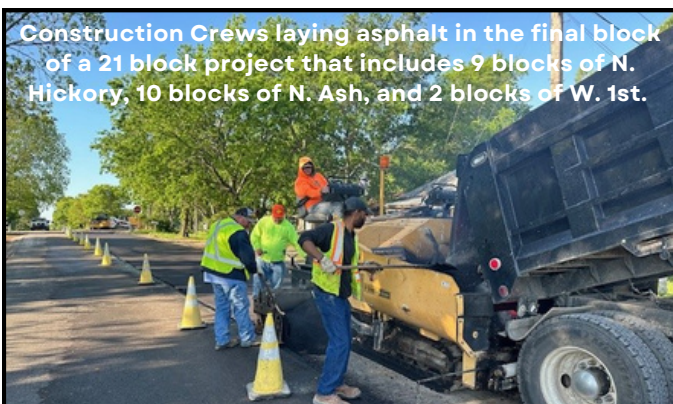
Focus on the Construction Department in PW

**DAVE MADDEN
CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT**

Dave grew up in Union Valley, Oklahoma. He attended Stonewall schools and graduated from Byng High School. After high school, Dave moved to West Chicago, Illinois where he attended a specialized horticulture school.

Dave returned to Ada in 1995 and began working for the City of Ada Public Works Department in Line Maintenance. He transferred to the Construction Department in 1999. He left the City of Ada between 2005-11 and returned to the COA Construction Department in 2011. He became the Superintendent in 2022. Dave is proud of his construction team and the amazing job they do!

Dave has been married to his wife Sue for 47 years. They have three children and two grandchildren. When not at work, Dave enjoys woodworking and spending time with his family.



**To contact Public Works:
580.436.8100**

PARKS AND PUBLIC FACILITIES

Focus on City of Ada Recreation



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Pictured L to R:

- Diana Wallis
- Kiersten Madron
- Joe Neely
- Cebern Young
- Cheryl Jessepe

RECREATION SUPERINTENDENT JOE NEELY

Joe holds a bachelor's degree in education from Southeastern University, and a master's in public education from East Central University.

He has spent more than 30 years in public education before retiring in 2016. He spent several years as a teacher, 13 years as a high school principal and athletic director, and 10 years as a superintendent. He has been with the City of Ada as Recreation Superintendent for more than seven years.

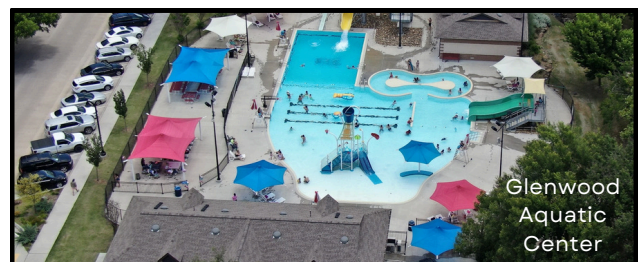
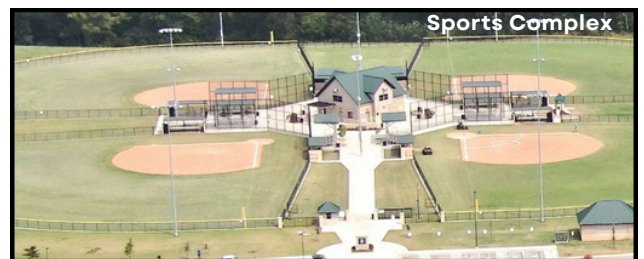
Joe's responsibilities include managing the sports complex and both aquatic centers (WAC/GAC). He oversees three full-time staff, and more than 100 seasonal employees.

To reserve Wintersmith Lodge, Ada Arts and Heritage Center, or the Irving Community Center, visit:

recreation.adaok.com

The Recreation Department oversees:

- Flag Football
- Softball
- Movies in the Park
- Dive In Movies
- Daddy/Daughter Dance
- Mummy/Son Dance
- Pop Up Play
- Spirit of Christmas



ADA PUBLIC LIBRARY



JOLENE POORE
LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Jolene grew up in Konawa, Oklahoma and attended Konawa schools. She graduated from East Central University with a bachelor's degree in fine arts and a master's degree in human resources.

She lived in several other states and worked at Coca-Cola Enterprises, Texarkana Chamber of Commerce, and Pre-Paid Legal, to name a few. Jolene has had 18 years of library experience both in the public and academic settings. She has been the Director at the Ada Public Library since August 2014.

She is married to Kenny and has one stepdaughter, Kenna. She also has two fur babies, Snow Ball and Little Miss.

580.436.8125

<https://www.ada.okpls.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/ada.lib.ok.us>

Did you know...

- To obtain a free library card you only need a photo ID and current address information.

- The library has so much more than just books. The collection includes: large print, magazines, eBooks/eAudio books, juvenile kits, and so much more!

- Year-round adult and youth programs such as:
 - **ADULTS**
 - Yoga & Thai Chi
 - Book & Movie Discussion Groups
 - Concerts/Art Programs
 - **CHILDREN**
 - Book Clubs
 - Lego, Robotic & Gaming Clubs
 - Storytimes
 - STEAM & Group Programs

Free Take-Home Activity Kits include:
Yard Jenga
Badminton/Volleyball
Chess/Checkers/Dominos
Horse Shoes



ADA FIRE DEPARTMENT

RESPONSES

2/1/24 - 4/30/24

- 33 - FIRES
- 127 - RESCUE & EMERGENCY
- 27 - HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS
- 23 - SERVICE CALLS
- 79 - GOOD INTENT CALLS
- 30 - FALSE ALARM CALLS

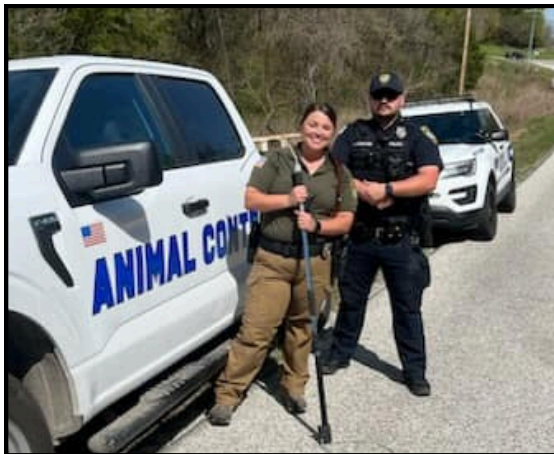


It's storm season in Ada and Sparky the Fire Dog reminds everyone when there is heavy rain to:

TURN AROUND AND DON'T DROWN!



ADA POLICE DEPARTMENT



FEBRUARY RESPONSES

- 3492 - CALLS
- 60 - ARRESTS
- 254 - CITATIONS
- 115 - TRANSIENTS
- 21 - EOD TRANSPORTS

E.O.D. (Emergency order of detention)

MARCH RESPONSES

- 2923 - CALLS
- 67 - ARRESTS
- 156 - CITATIONS
- 81 - TRANSIENTS
- 6 - EOD TRANSPORTS

E.O.D. (Emergency order of detention)

PROMOTIONS/CAPTAIN

- Brian Engel
- Adam Boyette
- Matthew Mericle

PROMOTIONS/SERGEANT

- Richard Hubble
- Ana Martin
- Marcus Beale

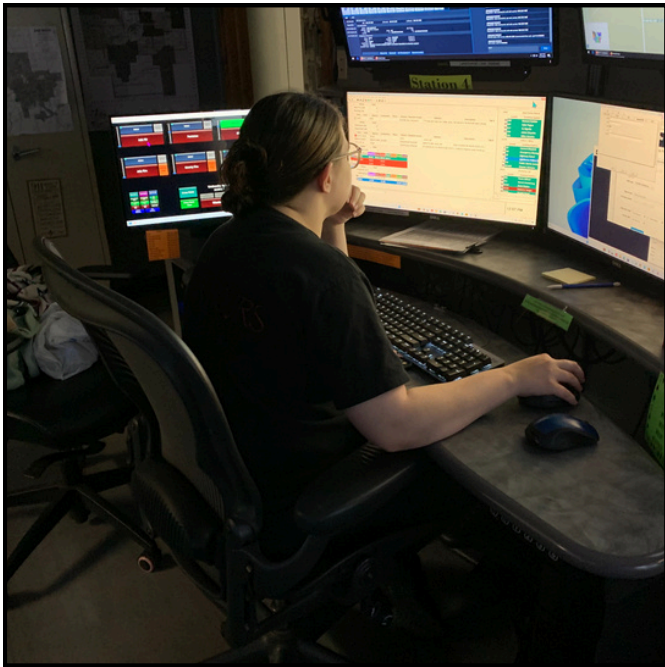
PONTOTOC COUNTY CENTRAL DISPATCH 911

MARCH

**1,428
911 CALLS**

**4,331
ADMINISTRATIVE CALLS**

**1,411
OUTGOING CALLS**



**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR
ADDRESS IS VISIBLE DAY
OR NIGHT TRAVELING IN
EITHER DIRECTION**

REGISTER YOUR STORM SHELTER!

Severe weather season is here!

If you have a new storm shelter or moved into a home that has one, take the time to register it now!



VISIT WWW.ADAOK.COM & CLICK ON SHELTER REGISTRATION

Fun Facts: Historically speaking, the highest call volume hour of the week is Friday afternoon between 5 and 7 pm. The lowest call volume hour of the week is Tuesday morning between 4 and 5 am.