



# Lytle Police



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## We Want Your Ideas for Topics!

Feel free to email or call us with any ideas you may have for topics that would interest our readers.

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### Interesting Points

You can find the city ordinances online

[www.municode.com/Library/TX/Lytle](http://www.municode.com/Library/TX/Lytle)

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The Lytle City Council recently voted to create an Animal Control Department. In 2009 Lytle's first full-time Animal Control Officer was hired and in early 2010 a new Animal Control Facility opened. This function was placed under the umbrella of the Lytle Police Department. Animal Control will now be a standalone city department. We congratulate them on the "big move" and look forward to working with them.  
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Visit our website to sign up for our Emergency Call list. You can also provide an email and we will email weekly updates and crime alerts. See page 2 for info. on NIXLE for text alerts!

## Beware of Common Scams!

All too often we take reports of our citizens being scammed out of their hard earned money. I know that for every one that is reported many go unreported. *The most common involve either the purchase or sale of an item on the internet, usually between individuals.* We have had no reports involving reputable online companies such as EBay or any of the major retailers. I could give dozens of examples but here are some basic points that should alert you there is a potential problem:

- The Seller / Buyer wants to send more than the amount for the item and have you "Western Union" back the difference. They will normally have some story as to why to do this. You send the money and then determine the "certified check" you deposited is bogus. They keep whatever you sent them. Easy money!
- The item for sale is priced way below market value. If a 2010 Dodge Charger is worth \$16,000 why would someone in Florida want to sell one online to somebody in Texas for \$8,000? It doesn't make sense; they will normally have some strange story too. Don't believe it.
- You get a call saying a family member owes money for a warrant and they will be arrested if you don't pay right away by credit card or provide your bank information. Or you are told you won a great prize you just need to send money to "claim" it. The calls might even escalate to death threats. Don't buy into this junk.

There is a wealth of information on the internet about scams; you can also stop by the Police Dept. if you have any questions. - *Chief Richey Priest*

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **DOG GONE FUN RUN NOV. 9**

CALL ANIMAL CONTROL FOR INFO. 830-709-3832

### **VETERAN'S DAY MONDAY NOV. 11**

CITY HOLIDAY – CITY OFFICES CLOSED

### **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY NOV. 28 & 29**

#### **THURSDAY AND FRIDAY**

CITY HOLIDAY – CITY OFFICES CLOSED

### **ANNUAL HOLIDAY HAYRIDE**

#### **SATURDAY NOV. 30**

LYTLE COMMUNITY CENTER

### **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY DECEMBER 24 & 25**

#### **TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY**

CITY HOLIDAY – CITY OFFICES CLOSED

## **Pedestrian Safety Tips**



- Wear bright or light colored clothing, preferably with reflective materials.
- Carry a flashlight when walking at night, there are a lot of inexpensive LED lights available.
- Cross streets in well lit areas.



## **SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY TEXT ALERTS**

We are pleased to announce that you can now sign up for text message alerts from the Lytle Police Dept. We have been testing this service for some time and are ready to roll it out to the community. Currently we send out a message on Monday advising the weekly report has been uploaded to the website. Should we have any emergency or need to send out important information, we will have this tool in addition to our current Emergency Call System which doesn't support text messaging. You can sign up on the NIXLE website [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) or simply text 78052 to 888777 to receive text alerts (Standard text message rates, if any would apply). You would need to go to their website and sign up and provide your email for us to be able to send emails over their system.

## **Update on New Police Facility**

The construction is moving along with our new facility you can drive by Hester St. and see the activity. Crownhill Builders Inc. was awarded the bid and serves as the general contractor. The city's engineering firm, TRC Solutions is overseeing the project. Hopefully by the time you read this the slab will be poured. This is truly an exciting time in the history of the Lytle Police Department.

