



March 5, 2024

Mayor, Council Members, and Van Alstyne Citizens  
The City of Van Alstyne  
152 North Main Drive  
Van Alstyne, Texas 75495

The City of Van Alstyne continues to take steps to ensure our community remains among the very best cities in north Texas to live in. We continue to invest wisely in public safety to keep our city safe.



Van Alstyne Fire Department received its newest ambulance in November 2023. The purchase ensures adequate services are maintained with state-of-the-art equipment providing reliable service at the time of need. Purchased at a price of \$255,756.00, the new ambulance has been supplied with an additional \$122,599.00 of ancillary equipment thereby providing top quality service capabilities to our Fire/EMS personnel. A second ambulance has been ordered with an anticipated delivery date of late 2024. Upon delivery, the city will be well positioned to continue its tradition of providing high quality services to those in need during times of need.



January 2024 the city placed an order for a new Engine/Pumper Truck at a cost of \$963,000.00. The new Engine/Pumper Truck will replace existing equipment now ten years old. Current equipment will be moved to the backline of service and will be used as backup when the situation warrants both apparatuses on scene.

Over the course of the last thirty-six months, the city has added six new positions to our Fire Department, with one additional personnel added as part of our current budget year. Chief Dockery requested and received approval to implement a pay step plan that provides competitive pay for both Fire and EMS personnel with the goal of improving retention and making service in the Van Alstyne Fire/EMS Department attractive to future candidates.

As a city, we remain committed to providing facilities and services that improve quality of life for all our residents. We are much more than a rooftop community. We are a quality-of-life community.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lane H. Jones', written over a light blue circular scribble.

Lane H. Jones – C.M.O.  
City Manager