AMERICUS NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2025

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NEWS!

As part of ongoing efforts to ensure the health and safety of our community, the city will be conducting code enforcement regarding dog registration and current rabies vaccination records.

All dog owners are reminded that is required by city ordinance to register their dogs with a life time registration of \$25 and keep their rabies vaccination records current. We encourage all dog owners to take immediate action to bring their records up to date. Code enforcement officers will begin issuing notices to those who are not in compliance.



LET'S CELEBRATE



2nd - Skyler Arb 3rd - Stan Stewart III 4th - Hailey Westcott 5th - Preston Patton 6th - Emily Elbert 8th - Kelli Elbert Avery Patton Ryan Kellison Zeb Harbaugh 9th - Britney Hinrichs 11th - Brian Hultgren Charley Wilson 12th - Kaitlin Centlivre 15th - Maylea Hamlin 17th - Alec Short 18th - Jackie Lefler 23rd - Caleb Klaus 25th - Jessie Ciero 28th - Connor Arb 30th - Ronnie Crane

Mike & Vicki Ross April 5th





For more information on renting the **Americus Community Center** call Americus City Hall at 620-443-5655.

2025 Events Calendar April

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | TAX 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| HAPPY EASTER | 21 | Earth Day | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | June | ocoming Events: e 7th- Rabies Clinic City Wide Garage Sales | |

Lyon County Recycle Trailer

Located on south side of school gym

Recycle items only.

Please break down all boxes and rinse all containers.

Americus Recycle

Trailer

Located behind City Hall



Empty trash containers/bags into bins, do not dispose of plastic bags in the recycle bins.

FROM CITY HALL

The following minutes are from the March 11th business meeting. As of print time the minutes have not been approved by the council.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dustin Wright. Councilmembers present were HARMON, NUESSEN, HAMLIN, BURTON, and HINRICHS. Also present were City Clerk Lesley Harbaugh, City Treasurer Dodie Doudna, Attorney Steve Atherton, Police Chief Jody Meyers, and Maintenance Nick Gadino. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Russell Torrens

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 14th, 2025 business meeting, February 11th, 2025 business meeting, February 11th,2025 public hearing. Moved by HARMON to approve the minutes of the January 14th, 2025 business meeting. Motion seconded by HINRICHS. 3-0-2 vote. Moved by BURTON to approve the minutes of the February 11th, 2025 business meeting. Motion seconded by NUESSEN. 5-0 vote. Moved by HARMON to approve the minutes of the February 11th, 2025 public hearing. Motion seconded by BURTON. 4-0-1 vote.

BILLS TO PAY: Moved by HARMON to approve the accounts payable for March 2025 in the amount of \$65,904.36. Motion seconded by HINRICHS. 5-0 vote.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

PROJECT PLAYSCAPE: HINRICHS reported that she will be requesting a special meeting to provide information on the needs for the splash pad installation, ballpark maintenance, and Easter plans. The council agreed to set a special meeting for Tuesday, March 25th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

MAINTENANCE: Nick Gadino that he has been working on getting oil prices from Vance Brothers. He is having rock hauled in and is working on equipment maintenance to prepare for projects as the weather improves. Pothole repair will begin soon.

CLERK: Lesley Harbaugh has reported that a new alert system has been tested and is working. Residents can subscribe to receive updates and alerts via email or text message. There will be information in the newsletter on how to do this. Treasurer Dodie Doudna has been officially bonded. There has been interest in the cost of a fireworks stand permit fee. The council will address this at the special meeting later this month. City-wide garage sales will be on June 21st. It was brought to the city's attention that a new sewer connection was buried at 15 Maple before the city could inspect it. The owner has been notified that it will have to be uncovered to be inspected or confirmed through a camera run by a plumber at the owner's expense.

ADOPT THE AGENDA: Moved by NUESSEN to adopt the agenda. Motion seconded by BURTON. 4-0 vote.

- 1. CHERYL HENRY: Project Playscape. Cheryl Henry was not present. No action taken.
- 2. CONDEMNATION: 311 Elm Bolinger/Hecke. Tabled until next meeting.
- 3. TRASH SERVICE BIDS: Review. Tabled until next meeting.
- 4. STEVE'S TRASH SERVICE: Review of contract. Tabled until next meeting.

5. SEWER RATE REVIEW: Annual review of sewer rates. Council will revisit the sewer rates next year.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 623: Open Burn Policy enforcement and penalties. Moved by NUESSEN to adopt Ordinance No. 623. Motion seconded by HARMON. 5-0.

7. CITY CODE VIOLATIONS: Dog registrations/UTV registrations. It is the consensus of the council to enforce penalties for violations of Ordinance No. 592 (dog registration/vaccinations) and to repeal Ordinance No. 546 (UTV registration).

8. 2025 RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC: Updates The council was informed of different ideas for this year's rabies vaccination clinic.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Non-elected personnel matters. Moved by BURTON to go into executive session for non-elected personnel matters for 20 minutes at 8:37 p.m. with council and legal present. Motion seconded by HARMON. 5-0 vote. Out of executive session at 8:57 p.m. Mayor Wright appoints Dodie Doudna as Treasurer/Assistant City Clerk and Jody Meyers as Police Chief.

Moved by NUESSEN to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Motion seconded by HINRICHS. 5-0 vote.



AMERICUS CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING TUESDAY, April 8th, 2025

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 11th, 2025 business meeting

BILLS TO PAY: REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: PROJECT PLAYSCAPE: MAINTENANCE: CLERK: ADOPT THE AGENDA 1. CONDEMNATION: List Review 2. TRASH SERVICE BIDS: Review 3. STEVE'S TRASH SERVICE: Review of contract 4. ORDINANCE NO. 423: Swimming Pools 5. ORDINANCE NO. 624: Repeal of Ordinance No. 546 6. ORDINANCE NO. 625: Amendment to Open Burn Policy



Americus Police Department Non emergency number: 620-443-5655





If you have any question feel free to call the school or the District Office. NLC Elementary 620-481-2086 | District Office 620-481-2085



Children who will be 4 years old on or before August 31, 2025 Are invited to attend Preschool Roundup

NLC Early Learning Center 620-481-2049 District Office 620-481-2085

You are INVITED! NLC Early

Learning Center Pre-School Round-UP

Tuesday April 8, 2025 At 6:00 p.m. At NLC Early Learning Center 558 Broadway, Americus

Out of district families are welcome!

If you have any questions feel
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2025 SCHEDULE



SATURDAY APRIL 5

The UNDEAD Death Ride - A FREE "drop" Group Ride (Madison, KS)......8:30am

THURSDAY APRIL 10

Mulreadys Pub Group Ride (717 Commercial St Emporia KS.).....6:30pm

FRIDAY APRIL 11

All Athlete Check In (Harry/Lloyds)......3:00pm-8:00pm Sponsor Expo Meet & Greet (Harry/Lloyds).....3:00pm-7:00pm Dirt Squad ShakeOut Ride (Harry/Lloyds)......5:00pm Axe Throwing PB Brianna Nielsen American Family In Mulreadys Pub ShakeOut Ride (Harry/Lloyds)......6:00pm Project Playscape Spaghetti Supper (H&L)......5:00pm-9:00pm

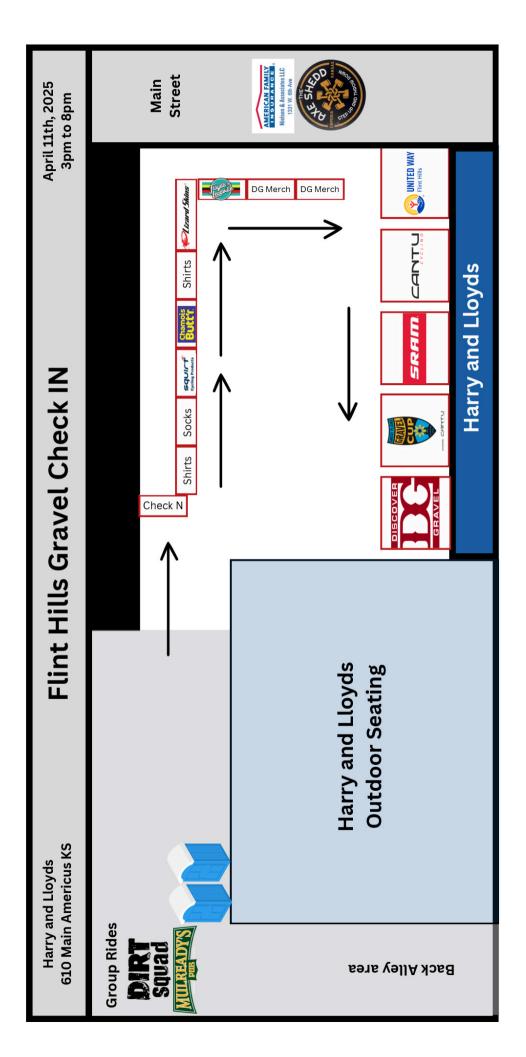
SATURDAY APRIL 12

| All Athlete Check In (Harry/Lloyds) | .6:30am-8:30am |
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| The Adventure Rolls Out | 7:45am |
| All other cycling distances begin | .8:00am-8:40am |
| All running distances start | 9:00am |
| Family FUN Ride | 9:10am |
| Running Distance Awards (Podium Zone) | 10:30am |
| ROCKOUT and Tour Awards (Podium Zone) | 11:30am |
| Challenge Awards (Podium Zone) | 1:00pm |
| Great Plains Gravel Cup Awards (Podium Zon | e)1:00pm |
| Adventure Awards (Podium Zone) | 4:00pm |
| LIVE Music at Harry/Lloyds | 4:00pm-7:00pm |



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New Construction Coming Summer 2025

These ranch floorplans combine a classic look with modern interior layouts. An open living/kitchen are with a 6' island, quartz countertops and plenty of cabinet space separates bedroom 2-3 from the primary, preserving owner suite privacy. The owners' suite offers a double bowl vanity and a spacious walk-in closet, and larger dimensions for full size furniture. The welcoming covered front porch and spacious rear patio make entertaining family and guests a pleasure, and the generously proportioned garage provides room for most cars and trucks.



Home Features

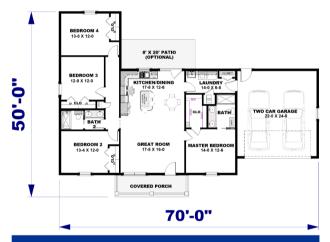
- ✓ 3 Bedrooms
- Open Concept
- 2 Bathrooms
- ✓ 2 Car Garage
- Spacious Lots
- 🖌 Rear Patio

STARTING PRICE

\$239,900







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4 BEDROOM 3D FLOOR PLAN

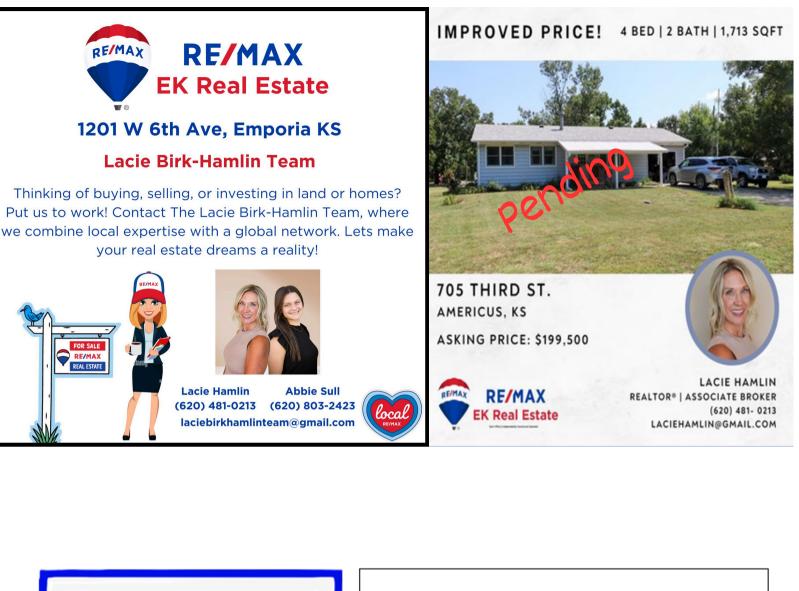
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FEATURES:

- ✓ 4 Bedrooms
- Open Concept
- 2 Bathrooms
- ✓ Spacious Lots
- 2 Bathrooms
- 🗸 2 Car Garage
- ✓ Rear Patio







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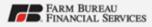
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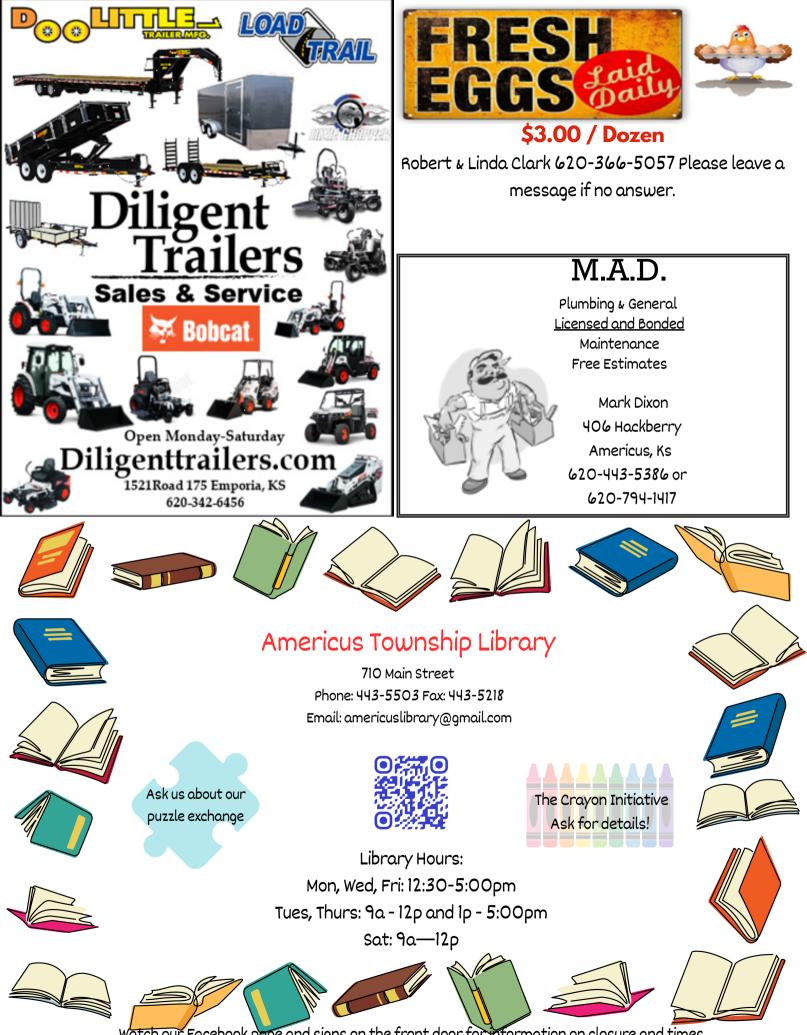
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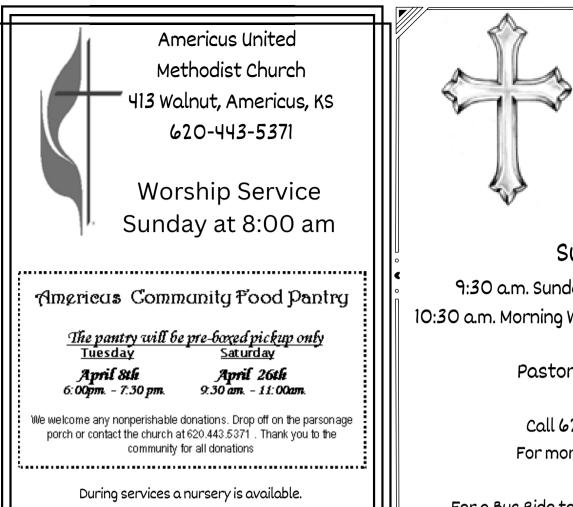
In an effort to improve the appearance of our cemeteries especially with mowing and weed-eating the Americus Township Board has adopted a policy banning the planting of trees, shrubs, plants or

flowers in the cemetery. Signs have been ordered and will be put in place in the near future. We also ask that when placing other items that they be placed in such a manner as to not interfere with maintenance. We appreciate your cooperation.

Casey Crist 620.343.0889



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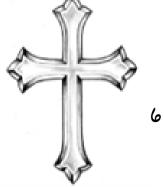
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