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Max Olson

4th - David Elbert

Trinity Duncan

6th - Takoda Lunsford

Aaron Larson

7th - Carly Piper

Colton Miller

Nicky Nuessen

9th - Katrina Morgan

Addison Hinrichs

10th - Lucinda Duncan

Vicki Ross

Jacquelyne Leffler

Matthew Kellison

11th - Dentin Matile

12th - Linda Edmunds

Deborah Webb

14th - Marcia Johnson

Cohen Birk

16th - Roy Nuessen

17th - Kortney Wilmore

18th - Ron Redelfs

19th - Jana Smart

20th - Betty Brown

Bill Leffler

22nd - Belle Grimsley

23rd - Betsy Landwehr

Eddie Lee

27th - Linda Clark



Steve & Mona Wyatt

February 3rd

Dale & Belle Grimsley

February 14th

Derek & Christina Wells

February 16th

Justin & Krystle Tarver

February 16th

Sid & Katrina Morgan

February 26th

Richard & Mary Littlefield

February 26th

PLANNING & ZONING BOARD

City Hall

1st Monday @ 7:00 p.m.

AMERICUS RECREATION

ORGANIZATION

USD 251 Cafeteria

3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL

BUSINESS MEETING

City Hall

2nd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.

FIRE BOARD MEETING

Library

2nd Wednesday @ 7:30 p.m.

TOWNSHIP LIBRARY BOARD

Library

4th Monday @ 5:30 p.m.

MUNICIPAL COURT

City Hall

2nd Wednesday @ 3:00 p.m.

AMERICUS TOWNSHIP

Library

Last Tuesday @ 7:30 p.m.

RWD #1 BOARD

3rd Tuesday @ 7:30

Water Board Office

2501 W. 18th, Emporia



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Non emergency number: 620-487-5899



- 10.17.20 Preston Dobson, Council Grove
Spd. 37/20 \$170.00
- 11.21.20 Jadon Lantz, Emporia
Spd. 31/20 \$134.00
- 12.11.20 Lisa Tipton, Emporia
Spd. 32/20 \$140.00



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Code Enforcement

604 Seventh St.- Piles of trash on side of house.
208 Broadway St. - Expired rabies

Happy Valentine's Day

Americus Farmers Market will be open for business April 2nd, 2021, 4pm.-6pm.

Americus will no longer be affiliated with Emporia Farmers Market.

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Bid For Municipal Surplus

Americus, Kansas

Sealed bids for the following surplus items will be received by the City Clerk, 604 Main St., Americus, Kansas until 3:00 p.m. local time on March 9, 2021. Bids forms are available at City Hall. The City reserves the right to refuse any or all bids. Sealed bids will be opened during the February 9th business meeting. If you would like to view the items please call City Hall.

Organ



Piano





From City Hall:

The following minutes are from the January 12th business meeting. As of print time the minutes have not been approved by the council.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dustin Wright. Those present in person were Mayor Dustin Wright, Council member BIRK, City Clerk Marcia Johnson and maintenance Nick Gadino. Those present via ZOOM were Council members NUESSEN, HAMLIN and BURTON. HINRICHS arrived at 7:04 p.m. Also present via zoom was City Attorney Steve Atherton.

VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: No visitors present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *December 8, 2020 business meeting.* Moved by NUESSEN to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by HAMLIN, 4-0 vote.

BILLS TO PAY: Moved by HAMLIN to approve the bills for January in the amount of \$13,851.73. Motion seconded by BIRK, 4-0 vote.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: BIRK reported from maintenance, on New Year's Day the maintenance department worked snow call, they have taken alternative time off. A new door has been installed in the shop building, the old door had gaps all around letting air in.

City Clerk reported that the owner of a boat that was removed from a property during cleanup has been located. City Clerk is attempting to make contact with the owner for removal. The City has received the title to the oil tanker and has sent the title to Purple Wave. Once they receive the title the oil tanker will be put up for auction.

ADOPT THE AGENDA: Moved by HINRICHS to adopt the agenda. Motion seconded by NUESSEN, 5-0 vote.

1. **MAINTENANCE:** *Approval of road material expenditure.* At the end of 2020, \$23,552.73 was encumbered for streets along with \$10,000 for Main Street parking improvements. Moved by BIRK to allow the maintenance supervisor to spend up to \$23,552.73 for road materials as needed and wisely. Motion seconded by HINRICHS, 5-0 vote.

2. **FILED COMPLAINT:** *409 Oak.* A complaint has been filed on the property at 409 Oak for junk including vehicles. City building inspector along with the Code Enforcement/Police Chief Jody Meyers performed an inspection of the property. The legal owner of each vehicle will be served for a junk vehicle violation notice and begin the process to correct the violation. Code Enforcement will then revisit the property to determine if other code violation are present.

3. **RESOLUTION 278:** *Adopting the Kansas Homeland Security Region I Hazard Mitigation Plan.* Moved by BURTON to adopt Resolution 278, Kansas Homeland Security Region I Hazard Mitigation Plan. Motion seconded by NUESSEN, 5-0 vote.

4. **RESOLUTION 279:** *GAAP Waiver for the 2020 audit.* Moved by HINRICHS to adopt resolution 279. Motion seconded by NUESSEN, 5-0 vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Non-elected personnel matters.* Moved by to go into executive session for non-elected personnel matters for 10 minutes, with council, mayor and legal present at 7:20 p.m.

Back in regular session at 7:30 p.m.

Moved by BURTON to adjourn at 7:32. Motion seconded by NUESSEN, 5-0 vote.

CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA (as of print time)

Tuesday, February 9th, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m..

The meeting will be held via Zoom

AGENDA:

1. **FLINT HILLS GRAVEL RIDE:** *Bobby Thompson, request for use of park and street closing.*
2. **CINDY JENSEN:** *Approval of engagement letter.*
3. **SEWER:** *Rate review.*
4. **STEVE'S TRASH SERVICE:** *Yearly contract review.*



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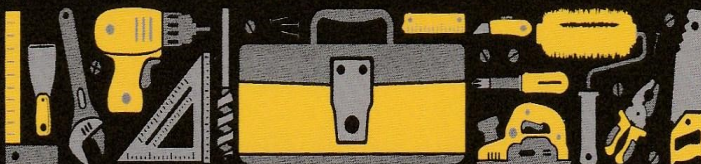


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413 Walnut, Americus, KS
620-443-5371

Adult Sunday School

Sundays at 9:30 am

Worship Service

Sundays at 10:30 am

Children's Sunday School

During services

Americus Community Food Pantry

Tuesday

Saturday

Feb. 2nd

Feb. 20th

6:30 pm. - 8:00 pm.

10:00 am. - 11:30 am.

Open to anyone in need. No Restrictions.

Doors open 30 minutes before start time.

Social distancing practices will be in place.

During services a nursery is available. We invite all to join us.

DURING INCLEMENT WEATHER CONDITIONS, LISTEN TO KVOE RADIO FOR SCHEDULE CHANGES.



Countryside Baptist Church

6 First Street, P.O. Box 524

Americus, KS 66835

SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship (nursery available)

6:30 p.m. Evening Service with praise music

WEDNESDAY

6:30 p.m. Youth Group for grades K thru 12

6:30 p.m. Christian programs for adults

For more information:

For Worship, call Pastor Rick Smith at (620) 273-8407

For Sunday School, call Brenda at (620) 366-1965

For Youth Group, call Carla at (620) 794-1361

For a Bus Ride to Church, call (620) 443-5177



Animal Clinic

The 2021 annual animal clinic date and place has been moved to this spring in the Americus City Park.

Dr. Scott Gordon, DVM, will be here to vaccinate your pets.

Yearly dog tag renewals will still need to be purchased no later than March 1, 2021, without added fees.



Watch upcoming newsletters for more information about the Animal Clinic.



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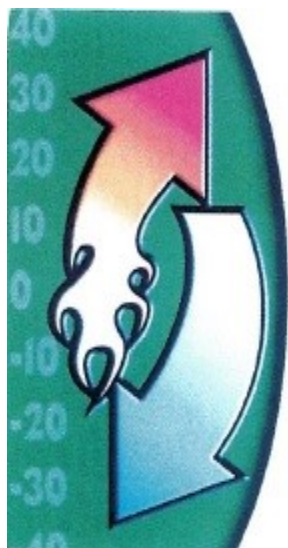


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GOAL: \$400,000

PROJECT PLAYSCAPE

**HELP US MAKE A
GRANDSLAM!**

As we have reached the new year, we are rounding out our fundraising efforts to lock in the remaining funds needed for the ballfield. Americus South Park at its current state is no longer meeting community need, and a redesign was essential to make it more functionable and efficient for our community. We have all worked together to come up with a new design that we felt would promote healthier active kids, provide an area that keeps families connected, and help to fulfill the need for our growing summer ball programs.

The goal is to repurpose the South Park in Americus to utilize the space. This would include 2 ballfields instead of the current one (with one being a T-ball field and the other a baseball/softball field with the capability in the future to be a high school length field), install a new playground area, and remodel the existing concession stand, bathrooms, and shelter house.

Project Playscape's mission is to raise \$400,000 and we are almost there! **Keep updated by "liking" our facebook page "Project Playscape."** We will continue thanking our donors, posting fundraiser info, and will start to request volunteer help, as well as keep the community posted on our build process.

THANK YOU for your continued support!

#Community#4thekids#Innovative#Goals#Future

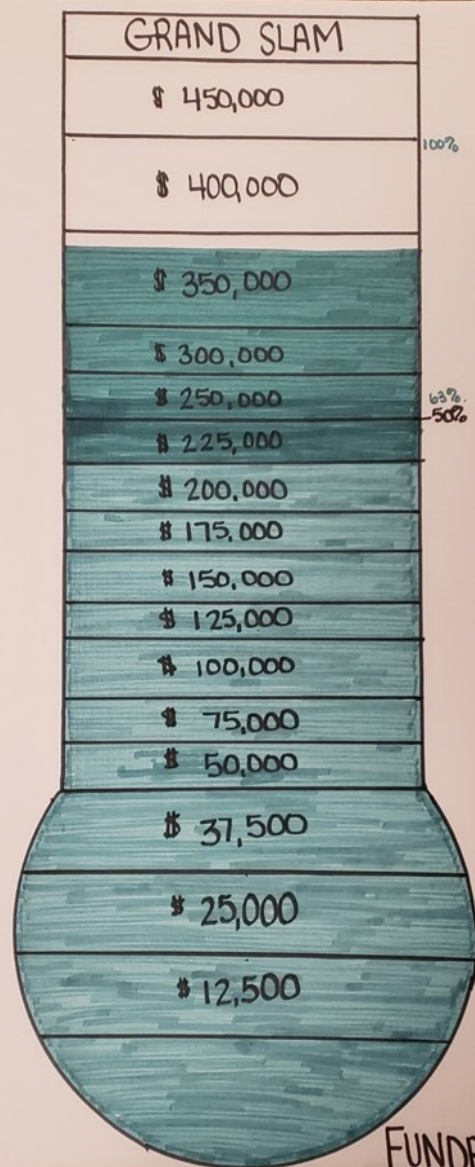
HOW TO DONATE

If you are interested in a monetary donation, please make your check payable to "Project Playscape" and mail to:

Emporia Community Fund
Re: Project Playscape
527 Commercial Street, Suite B
Emporia, KS 66801
(620) 342-9304

You will receive a receipt for tax-deduction purposes with the tax id# from ECF. If you are interested in donating supplies or labor to the project, please contact Britney at projectplayscape4community@gmail.com

AMERICUS RECREATION COMPLEX
As of 1/25/2021



FUNDRAISING...



T-shirt, Long sleeve, or Hoodie

Several colors to choose from!

Project Playscape

T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER!!!

<https://projectplayscape.itemorder.com/sale>

T-shirts will be available to purchase at the February 26-28th weekend fundraisers!

Front Side has 2 designs to choose from.

Several color and shirt style options.

Back Side has sponsors list.

Help us continue raising money through contactless sales! THANK YOU!

Please thank our donors (current list):

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Emporia Community Foundation

Walter S. & Evan C. Jones Testamentary Trust

Memorial Fund:

Sherryl McKee Memorial

Gerald & Sharon Myers-Memorial Fund



Thank you for your contribution towards the Americus Recreation Complex! From Project Playscape, ARO, and the many children and families who this will benefit!



HOW TO PLAY:

Pick the # of the amount you would like to donate! #'s 1-120

EX. Envelope #50 = Donation of \$50

Bonus: Each envelope will have raffle tickets for a chance to win the 3 prizes.

White Baseball #'s=Raffle Prize 1

#1-19	1 ticket
#20-29	2 tickets
#30-39	3 tickets
#40-49	4 tickets

Silver Baseball #'s=Raffle Prize 2

#50-59	1 ticket
#60-69	2 tickets
#70-79	3 tickets

Gold Baseball #'s=Raffle Prize 3

#80-89	1 ticket
#90-99	2 tickets
#100-109	3 tickets
#110-120+	5 tickets

ALL donations will receive a receipt for donation with individual name/address.

Three ways to participate:

1. Join us at Harry & Lloyd's:

**Friday, February 26th
5pm-10pm**

OR

**Saturday, February 27th
5pm-10pm**

2. Contact Britney Hinrichs, Lea Hamlin, Jana Smart or Kayla Delgado to purchase your number!

3. Let us know your # through our Facebook or Email & we will inform you of the mailing address to send payment.

Like "Project Playscape" on Facebook to see the reveal of Raffle Prizes and to keep up-to-date with fundraising.

Project Playscape –Feb. 26th-28th Fundraisers!

Feb. 26th-Wall of Money @Harry & Lloyds 5-10pm & T-shirt Sales

Feb. 27th-Wall of Money @Harry & Lloyds 5-10pm & T-shirt Sales

Feb. 28th-Biscuit&Gravy/Pancake Breakfast @ Harry & Lloyds 8-11:30am & T-shirt Sales. TOGO option available as well! Email your to go order (name, order, & time).

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Feb. Schedule
3rd & 17th

March Schedule
3rd & 17th

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