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Mike Ross  
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- 7th Sid Morgan  
Danny Gerleman
- 9th Josh Smart  
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Peter Hadley
- 11th Cameron Stewart
- 11th Julie Dains
- 12th Heaven Arb  
Angel Heiman  
Cindy Edmunds  
Dodie Doudna  
Jeremiah Ciero
- 16th Shelby Siess  
Lindsey Hansen
- 17th Drew Fields
- 18th Deb Ludlum
- 19th Samantha Spatz
- 21st Parker Kellison
- 25th Derrek Swanson  
Ryan Swanson
- 26th Christina Wells  
Taryn Meyers
- 27th Thomas Hadley
- 28th Jesse McKee
- 29th Courtney Elbert
- 31st Jaelynne Hill
- 31st Jillian Anderson

**PLANNING & ZONING BOARD**

City Hall

1st Monday @ 6:00 pm

**AMERICUS REC. ORGANIZATION**

NLC Elementary

3rd Wednesday @ 6:30 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 @ 6:00 p.m.

**MUNICIPAL COURT**

City Hall

2nd Wednesday @ 3:00 p. m.

**AMERICUS TOWNSHIP**

Library

Last Thursday @ 7:30 p.m.

**RWD #1 BOARD**

3rd Tuesday @ 7:30

Water Board Office

2501 W. 18th, Emporia

*Blake & Louisa Wiggins*

May 1st

*Dillon & Cheyenna Riley*

May 5th

*Mark & Joni Siess*

May 6th

*Josh & Lea Hamlin*

May 7th

*Joe & Gretchen Russell*

May 13th

*Tyler & Britney Hinrichs*

May 20th

*Joshua & Shelby Posey*

May 24th

*Matthew & Jessica Kellison*

May 26th

*David & Kelli Elbert*

May 28th

*JoAnn & Charlie McKenzie*

May 29th



# Americus Police Department

Non emergency number: 620-487-5899



## KNOW YOUR SPEED

The city has purchased a speed indicator sign. The sign will be moved to different location around town.



## Code Enforcement

### Violation Notices Served

Remember  
Dogs in the city limits **must be registered**  
with the city of Americus.

Dogs must be on a leash

Dogs must have a current rabies vaccination  
certificate on file.

# From City Hall:

The following minutes are from the April 9th business meeting. As of print time the minutes have not been approved by the council.

#### MINUTES

AMERICUS CITY COUNCIL

BUSINESS MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024 7:00 P.M.

#### CITY HALL

**CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dustin Wright. Council members present were HAMLIN, BURTON, NUESSEN, and HARMON. HINRICHS was absent. Also present were City Clerk Jana Smart, City Attorney Steve Atherton, City Treasurer Brian Anstey, Police Chief Jody Meyers, and maintenance Nick Gadino.

**VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** Tim Burton, Megan Dye

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** January 9 th business meeting. Moved by HAMLIN to approve the minutes for the January 9 th business meeting with the amendment that MAYOR WRIGHT is listed as absent. Motion seconded by NUESSEN, 3-0-1 vote. BURTON abstained. February 13 th business meeting. Moved by BURTON to approve the minutes for the February 13 th business meeting. Motion seconded by HARMON, 3-0-1 vote. HAMLIN abstained. March 12 th business meeting. Tabled until May.

**BILLS TO PAY:** Moved by BURTON to approve the accounts payable for April 2024 in the amount of \$47,603.66. Motion seconded by NUESSEN, 4-0 vote.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

**MAINTENANCE:** Has had some training on the new striping machine and it is working very well. Will need to order oil and gravel to start chip/seal. The backhoe needs a new water pump and fan hub bearings, parts are on order and will hopefully be fixed by next week.

**PROJECT PLAYSCAPE:** The Project Playscape volunteers will be working for tips at Harry & Lloyd's on Saturday, April 13 th . HINRICHS has also applied for Match Day again. Still working on other grants.

**CLERK:** No report

**PARKS:** HAMLIN reported there are 750 signed up for the Flint Hills Gravel Ride this weekend. There will be middle school kids coming to help set up on Friday as well as doing a bike wash on Saturday. John Deere wants to bring up to 8 tractors up for the event and display them in the park. She is asking permission to park in the grass. The consensus of the council is to allow them to park in the grass as long as the weather allows.

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

**1. CONDEMNATION:** 1021 Main. Still working on getting debris off the property. There have been complaints of burning, Jody will address this. The demo permit is valid for 6 months, will revisit next month. 1010 Main. Will have to wait on court proceedings. 409 Broadway. Would like to ask for an extension until the end of the year to have it torn down. Moved by BURTON to extend city condemnation on 409 Broadway until the December 10 th , 2024 council meeting so that the owner may have the property torn down in completion by then. Motion seconded by NUESSEN. 4-0 vote. 7 Fourth. Still waiting on the title search. 311 Elm. Jody will address the issue of trash on the property. The council will go over the complete condemnation list at the May council meeting.

Megan Dye left at 7:24 pm.

**2. SPENDING POLICY/AUTHORITY:** The council wants the policy updated and streamlined. The last policy is from 2010. There was a discussion on amounts. Moved by HAMLIN to approve the updated spending policy allowing department heads to approve up to \$500 and the mayor to approve up to \$1,000. Anything over \$1,000 will have to be approved by the council. All purchases will still have to be within budget restraints. Motion seconded by NUESSEN. 4-0 vote.

**3. PRECISION POWER WASHING:** Quote. A quote was received from Precision Power Washing to clean both Welcome signs coming into town. The quote is \$350 for both locations or \$200 for one location. Maintenance handles this in-house.

**4. FILED COMPLAINT:** Bob Kearns. Mr. Kearns believes the city is not being fair to all contractors as the Kansas Statutes state that all electrical, HVAC, and plumbing contractors must have continuing education. According to the contractor’s application, the city is only requiring electrical contractors to provide continuing education. After some discussion, the consensus of the council is to update the form and remove the requirement to provide continuing education from the application and to add the requirement for any contractor that is required by the State of Kansas to be licensed to provide the city a copy to keep on file.

**5. STEVE’S TRASH SERVICE:** There is a complaint about the placement of the dumpster behind Rolling Hills. The consensus of the council is to have the mayor sign and send a letter to Steve’s Trash Service addressing this issue.

Moved by BURTON to adjourn at 7:51 p.m. Motion seconded by HAMLIN. 4-0 vote.

AGENDA  
 AMERICUS CITY COUNCIL  
 BUSINESS MEETING  
 TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

CITY HALL

- CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL:
- VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 12 th business meeting and April 9 th business meeting
- BILLS TO PAY:
- REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:
- PROJECT PLAYSCAPE:
- MAINTENANCE:
- CLERK:
- ADOPT THE AGENDA
- 1. 2025 BUDGET REQUESTS:**
- 2. CONDEMNATION:**
- 3. YEARLY APPOINTMENTS:**
- 4. RESOLUTION 298:** Fireworks
- 5. MOWING RELEASE FORMS:** Yearly applications to hay ground



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## NEW POLICY in effect:

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.



**\$2.50/ Dozen**

Robert & Linda Clark 620-443-5257 Please leave a message if no answer.

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**The city wide sale will be on**

**Saturday June 15th**

**The master list will be distributed to local businesses the afternoon prior to the sale**

**If you wish to have your sale added to the list, call City Hall**

**620.443.5655**

# Harry & Lloyds

**Sports Bar** *608 Main Street ~ Phone 443-5066*

Give us a call for carry-out service



Call us to schedule your Patio Party

- \* Graduation, \* Birthday,
- \* Reunion \* Just a get together

**We are your party headquarters.**



**OPEN**

**Tuesday - Thursday 5:00 p - 8:00 p**

**Friday & Saturday 5:00 p - 2:00 a**

**Sunday 3:00 p - 7:00 p**

**CHECK US OUT ON SOCIAL MEDIA FOR LIVE MUSIC ON WEEKENDS.**





**Fridays 4:00 to 6:00 pm**

We look forward to seeing you on the west side of the park.

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2348 Rd F4 Across the road from the Baptist Church  
We service lawn mowers, chainsaws, weed eaters, tillers, and small engines. Chainsaw sharpening, mower blades and parts available.

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- ✔ Flexibility in scheduling hangouts
- ✔ Meet 2 times a month

#### Site-Based

- ✔ Visit your Little on a designated day once a week at their school
- ✔ Play games, go outside, do homework, or talk
- ✔ Meet for an hour or less each week

Scan to become a Big or learn more



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### Americus Alumni Banquet

**May 25, 2024**

**North Lyon County Attendance Center in Americus**

**Social Hour starts at 4pm**

**Dinner starts at 5 pm**

Make your reservations no later than Friday May 17th

**Make your reservations by calling Kansasland Bank (620)443-5163**

(Bank hours 8:30 am to 4 pm; closed Saturday)

**Cost is \$15.00**

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In the August Primary

**Sid Morgan**

**Candidate for Lyon County Commissioner  
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**Jim  
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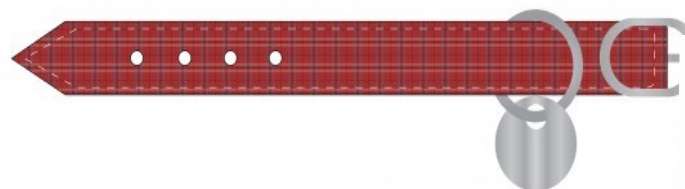


## **Animal Clinic**

**The 2024 annual animal clinic will be held**

**June 8th**

**in the Americus City Park.**



Dr. Scott Gordon, DVM, will be here to  
vaccinate your pets between 9:00 am - 11:00 am.



**Dog registrations with the city will be available during the clinic.**

**See page 9 for details.**



OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:**

Mailing: \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Physical: \_\_\_\_\_

**CANINE**

Pet Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_ Neutered/Spayed Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

**VACCINATIONS:**

Rabies - 1 year \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies - 3 years \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Must have had previous rabies vaccination)

DA2p/p/cvK - \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Distemper/Parvovirus/Coronavirus

Lymes - \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Heartworm Test - \$25.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Blood test results will be phoned

Nail Trim - \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPPLIES:**

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Blue 1-25 lbs. \$25.00 \$80.00\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Green 26-50 lbs \$45.00 \$90.00\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Brown 51-100 lbs \$50.00 \$100.00\$ \_\_\_\_\_

SIMPARICA (monthly oral flea & tick) (rebates available 386 packs)

SINGLE 3 PK 6 PK

1-22 lbs \$17.00 \$44.00 \$80.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

23-44 lb \$18.00 \$46.00 \$84.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5-88 lbs \$19.00 \$48.00 \$88.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

89-132 lbs \$20.00 \$50.00 \$92.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Tag# \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Vacc Serial #322595

**FELINE**

Pet Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_ Female: \_\_\_ Neutered/Spayed Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

**VACCINATIONS:**

Rabies - 1 year \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies - 3 years \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Must have had previous rabies vaccination)

FRVCP (distemper) - \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Leukemia - \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Nail Trim - \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPPLIES:**

REVOLUTION PLUS (topical flea/tick/ear mite)

SINGLE 3 PK 6 PK

\$17.00 \$48.00 \$88.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Tag# \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Vacc Serial #322595

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**Americus United Methodist Church**

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**

*The pantry will be pre-boxed pickup only*

**Tuesday Saturday**

*May 7th May 18th*  
6:00pm. - 7:30 pm. 9:30 am. - 11:00am.

We welcome any nonperishable donations. Drop off on the parsonage porch or contact the church at 620.443.5371 . Thank you to the community for all donations

Social distancing practices will be in place. Open to those living in USD 251 school district.

**DURING SERVICES A NURSERY IS AVAILABLE.  
WE INVITE ALL TO JOIN US.**



**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)

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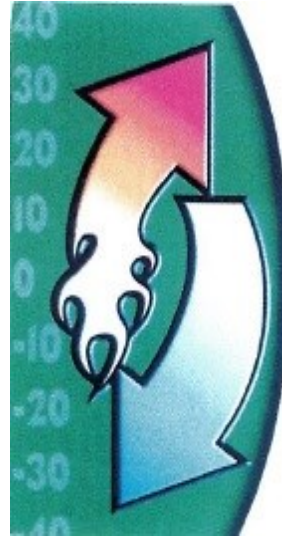


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## Americus Township Library

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Email: [americuslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:americuslibrary@gmail.com)  
Webpage: [americus.lib.nckls.org](http://americus.lib.nckls.org)  
Facebook: [americuslibrary.facebook.com](http://americuslibrary.facebook.com)

### Library Hours:

Mon, Wed, Fri: 12:30-5:00pm  
Tues, Thurs: 9a - 12p and 1p - 5:00pm  
Sat: 9a-12p (afternoon closed)  
Sunday: closed

The library is collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Northeast Kansas (Topeka). When aluminum pop tabs are sent they are taken to a recycling center. The money then goes back into the House for general operating expenses.

Closed May 27th for Memorial Day

Congratulations to our preschoolers' on their  
GRADUATION

**Many Adult and Children's books for sale**  
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### Preschool Story Time

**Thursdays 10:00 to 10:30 am**  
**Last story time May 16th 2024**

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# AMERICUS Community Center

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

## Lyon County Recycle Trailer

The recycle trailer is located on the south  
side of the grade school gym.



May Schedule  
8th & 22nd  
June Schedule  
5th & 18th

## City Hall

Hours:  
Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Fax: 620-443-5644

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*by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of each month.*

## Americus Recycling Trailer

Located behind City Hall

Recycle items only.

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**Empty trash containers/bags  
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plastic bags in the recycle  
bins.**

