

# THE WIGNO CITIZEN

January 2025
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City Officials & City Staff
Mayor -

**Russell Olds** 

City Clerk - Shannon Box

Ward One Aldermen -James Williams Karen Edge

Ward Two Aldermen -William Haldeman Dellaca Reynolds

Administrative Assistant to Mayor's Office; Prosecutor's Assistant -Terry L. Edwards

Police Chief -Jeff Pearce

Publics Works Manager; Water Facilities Director -Ron Klein

Court Clerk; Utilities Clerk -Michael Henderson

Building Department - Colton Harbin

Office Clerk - Danny Hosp The Official Newsletter of the City of Duenweg, Missouri

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## Happy New Year!!!!

Congratulations to the Christmas Coloring Contest Winners!!!

Kash, Vaun, Emilynn & Jayna

**INCORPORATED** 

Your pictures were awesome!



The City of Duenweg Board of Aldermen (Council) meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. If you would like to be listed on the agenda, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 at least two business days before the meeting.

#### The Board of Aldermen met on December 19th, 2024 at 7:00 pm. Discussion included:

- MML Renewal Expenditure Request
- Powell Truck Repair Expenditure Request
- Ordinance to elect City Clerk
- Sewer Treatment Facility Agreement Discussion
- Opening a Payroll Account Request Discussion
- Sewer and Water Rate Public Hearing
- Well #1 Repair
- Liberty Electric Contract /Ordinance
- Purchase Used Truck from Powell Request
- Budget 2025
- Emergency Management Director Resignation—Ron King served for more than 25 years. Thank you Ron!
- Appointment of new Emergency Management Director James Kennedy
- General Business

The City of Duenweg Park Board meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. If you would like to address the Park Board, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 by the Monday before the meeting to be listed on the agenda.

The Park Board did not meet in December.

The next Park Board meeting will be January 14th at 6:00 pm..

The City of Duenweg Planning Board meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. If you would like to be listed on the agenda, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 at least two business days before the meeting

The Planning Board did not meet in December.

The next Planning Board meeting will be January 16th 7:00 p.m.

#### As the wintery season is upon us, here are some important reminders:

- Snow plows need the sides of roads clear of objects to allow for complete plowing of the roads.
- Leave faucets dripping when temperatures fall below freezing for an extended period of time.
- Make sure outdoor hoses have been disconnected from faucets.
- Temperatures are dropping and care should be given to any outside animals. Provide adequate food, water, bedding and shelter.



#### **Lending Library**

We recently received a generous donation of educational books and workbooks for children. If your homeschooling your child or preparing them to start school, this is an excellent resource. Thank you Dellaca Reynolds!!

#### **For Your Information**

Any new construction, building or remodel requires a building permit from the Building Dept.

If you are planning any of these projects or even something larger, please contact the Building Department at City Hall.

## January

### 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 City Hall Closed	2 City Hall Closed	3	4
			TRASH DAY			
5	6	7	8 TRASH DAY	9	10	11
12	13	14 Park Board Mtg @ 6pm	15 TRASH DAY	16 Planning Board 7p.m.	17	18
19	20 Late Fees Applied	21	22 TRASH DAY	23 City Council Mtg. 7 p.m.	24 Shut Offs	25
26	27 Court @ 5:30pm	28	29 TRASH DAY	30	31	



- 2 Ashly Jones Ellen Webb
- 4 Caden Dunaway
- 5 Jonell Manning
- 6 Tim Virgin Elizabeth Fowler
- 9 Samara Dodson
- 11 Jordan Owens
- 12 Howard Crouch
- 14 Kyrie Jenks
- 18 Josh Aleckson Amy Klein
- 19 Keith Johnson Derek Bycroft

- 23 Tristin Johnson
- 24 Gary Nichols
- 25 Ruthie Brooks
- 26 Aaron Hardmen Brenda Olds Edith Terry
- 28 Tyler Atkinson
- 29 Mike Riley Gabby Roper
- 30 Gabriel Sanders David Hancock II
- 31 Howard Redding Robert Thompson Newwa Decker



- 3 Gary & Bonnie Wells
- 6 Bernie & Joyce Troop
- 21 Ron & Amy Klein

Have a Birthday or Anniversary you would like to see here or one that you would prefer to be removed?

Let us know by emailing tedwards@duenwegmo.com





#### City News ...

#### Trash Pick-Up Dates —

Trash Day is Wednesday. If there is a holiday on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday, then Trash Day is still on Wednesday. If the holiday is on Wednesday then the trash day will be on Thursday. If you have any questions, please call 417-499-0256. Also, trash service is earlier than normal. Please have your carts out the night before. Trash cans should be removed from the curb within 24 hours of pick up.

#### City Water Bill Payments are Due Upon Receipt

Bills can be paid online through the City's web site, in person at City Hall or placed in either drop box. Beginning on the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month, or on the Monday following that date if it falls on a weekend, a late charge of 10% is applied. If the past due amounts are not paid by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the same month at 8:00 AM, then your water service will be discontinued on the 25th or the next business day if it is on a weekend or holiday. There is a reconnect fee of \$25.00 if your water is turned off for non-payment. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at (417) 623-2027.

#### **Newsletter Content**

If you have an article, information, or idea for the Wigmo Citizen, submit it to City Hall no later than the 15th of the month in order to be considered for the next month's newsletter. You can do this by dropping it off at City Hall, by mailing to PO Box 105, or by emailing it to: tedwards@duenwegmo.com

#### Duenweg Fire Department Monthly Runs by Incident Type November 2024

Building Fire	2
Medical Assist/Assist Ems	62
MV Wrecks (with injuries)	2
MV Wrecks (no injuries)	9
Service Call (other)	2
Dispatched and Canceled	14
Authorized Burning	4
False alarm/call	5
Passenger Vehicle Fire	1
2	

Total Calls 101

#### NOTICE

Currently the Clover link for water payments is not working. We will update when available.

Please do not use the DOXO payment option as these payments may take up to 2 weeks to be received.

Breakfast with the fire Department has been postponed until spring. Please read the newsletter for when it will resume.



With the change in weather and expected precipitation of the white fluffy kind, the snowplows will be out as well as salt trucks.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ANY ITEMS NEAR THE ROAD ARE MOVED, SUCH AS BASKETBALL GOALS. THEY WILL BE IN THE WAY OF THE SNOWPLOWS.

Thank you!!!

#### Duenweg Police Department Monthly calls by Type 2024

2024	
911 Hangup	7
Abandoned Vehicle	1
Alarm RSD PNIC Alarm Re	sd1
Animal Complaint	13
Assist Citizen Motorist	8
Burglary in Progress	1
CI Driver Traffic Complaint	
Door / School Check	1
Well Being Check	6
Crash/Injury Unknown Injur	
Crash Non Injury need Fire	1
Crash Non Injury No Fire	1
Department Assist	7
Disturbance in Progress	5
Domestic in Progress No EMS	
Fall Low	2
Fire Alarm	
Follow-up	8
Fraud Internet Identity Scam	1
Fraud Just Occur	1
Info Only	9
K-9 request	1
Law Name Number	42
Medical Unknown	8
Medical w/ Law	1
Mental Health/Behavior Prob	1
Paper Service	2
Parking Complaint	4
Property Damage	4
Property Found/Lost	5 3
Public Works Referral	3
Road Hazard / Obstruction	1
Runaway	2
Sick Person	1
Stalking Past Tense	1
Stolen Vehicle	1
Subject Stop / Pedestrian Che	ck 3
Suspicious Activity Item	1
Suspicious Person	2
Suspicious Vehicle	6
Theft Property or Services	1
Towed Vehicle Repossession	1
Traffic Stop	104
Walk in Report	2
Warrant Serv Search Warrant	
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Total Calls/Reports 283



This article was originally published in the "Sarcoxie Record" on 6/16/1976. It is presented here in a 5 part section of this and upcoming newsletters. No changes have been made as to wording or phrases. We hope our readers enjoy this "Introduction to Duenweg."

#### PART 1

In order for the reader to really understand what Duenweg and the surrounding area was like when first settled, let's begin our story with the first white man to settle in Jasper County.

The first permanent settler in the county was Thackery Vivion, who came from Kentucky in 1831, and he made his home near the Sarcoxie Spring, where the Indian Chief Sarcoxie had made his headquarters during the later days of the Indian period and which no doubt was the gathering point of the "noble red man of the forest" from the Country of the Six Bulls (which is now Jasper and the surrounding counties were referred to those days.)

Vivion took active part in the political life of the county, being a member of the first grand jury assembled at the organization of the county and in many other ways took part in public enterprises. In 1838 he moved from Sarcoxie to the western part of the county and settled on the land where the famous Lehigh Mines were built to the west of Joplin.

The first settlers who came to the county could not have perfect title to the land on which they settled because the land had not been surveyed by the government nor offered for sale by the public. In 1836 a partial survey of the county was made which included the land as far as range 30 to the west about 3 miles east of Carthage. The survey was completed in 1844 and it was at that time that the settlers began to make proper filings to secure title to their lands.

Up until the later 1850's southwest Missouri was a hunters paradise. There was an abundance of wild game such as deer, turkey and wild geese, and these furnished half the living settlers who first came to the area. There were some wild animals that caused the early settler a great deal of trouble, the pioneers were forced to leave their work to fight some wild beast which was terrifying the neighborhood.

Next month, the wild beast, government and war.

