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City Officials & City Staff

- Mayor -
Russell Olds
- City Clerk -
Shirley J Lewis
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Karen Edge
James Williams
- Ward Two Aldermen -
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Dellaca Reynolds
- Administrative Director to
Mayor's Office-
Justin Pryor
- Police Chief -
Robert Vice
- Publics Works Manager &
Water Facilities Director -
Dennis Hutson
- Court Clerk/Utility Clerk -
Traci Kessler
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Voter Registration

General Municipal Election Day is Tuesday, April 7, 2020. There will be Mayor and Aldermen elections for both wards on the ballot. The deadline to register to vote for this election is March 11, 2020. Registration can be done at City Hall or at www.sos.mo.gov/elections. You may also check your registration status at that web address.

Why do we need leap years?

The Gregorian calendar, which now serves as the standard calendar for civil use throughout the world, has both common years and leap years. A common year has 365 days and a leap year 366 days, with the extra--or intercalary--day designated as February 29. A leap year occurs every four years to help synchronize the calendar year with the solar year, or the length of time it takes the earth to complete its orbit around the sun, which is about 365¼ days.

The length of the solar year, however, is slightly less than 365¼ days-by about 11 minutes. To compensate for this discrepancy, the leap year is omitted three times every four hundred years.

In other words, a century year cannot be a leap year unless it is divisible by 400. Thus 1700, 1800, and 1900 were not leap years, but 1600, 2000, and 2400 are leap years.

What are your chances of being born on leap day?

About 1 in 1,500.

When did leap year originate?

The Gregorian calendar is closely based on the Julian calendar, which was introduced by Julius Caesar in 45 BC. The Julian calendar featured a 12-month, 365-day year, with an intercalary day inserted every fourth year at the end of February to make an average year of 365.25 days. But because the length of the solar year is actually 365.242216 days, the Julian year was too long by .0078 days (11 minutes 14 seconds).

This may not seem like a lot, but over the course of centuries it added up. Until in the 16th century, the vernal equinox was falling around March 11 instead of March 21. In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII adjusted the calendar by moving the date ahead by 11 days and by instituting the exception to the rule for leap years. This new rule, whereby a century year is a leap year only if divisible by 400, is the sole feature that distinguishes the Gregorian calendar from the Julian calendar.

Following the Gregorian reform, the average length of the year was 365.2425 days, an even closer approximation to the solar year. At this rate, it will take more than 3,000 years for the Gregorian calendar to gain one extra day in error.

<https://www.infoplease.com/leap-year-explained>

News From The...

Board of Aldermen...

The January Council Meeting was held on January 23rd, 2020 and the following were discussed:

- Variance was granted to Leonard Knox for property located at the corner of Hardy and Wolfe Drive to build duplexes.
- There will be storm water construction on the southwest side of Azalea happening soon.
- Planning Board has been appointed and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen and meetings will begin in February.
- Michael E. Forrest was granted a variance to build himself a house at 209 Hardy Street.
- The invoice for MAPS transportation was authorized for payment for the 4th quarter of 2019 of \$702.00.
- The annual Missouri Municipal League membership was authorized for payment for 2020.
- There was a payroll increase for two employees discussed and authorized by the Board of Aldermen.
- Mayor Olds informed the Board of Aldermen regarding the possibility of joining the Center Creek Wastewater Treatment Board.

The February 2020 council meeting will be on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 7:00 pm. If you have any concerns or questions that need on the agenda please notify Shirley J Lewis at 417-623-2027 or email her at slewis@duenwegmo.com. You are welcome and encouraged to attend all city meetings to learn more about OUR community and voice your desires.

Park Board...

The Duenweg Park Board meeting was held on January 22nd, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the Duenweg Municipal Building, 118 Webb Street, Duenweg, MO and the following was discussed:

- The pavilion is under way at Bartley Memorial Park.
- The park tables and benches are being powder coated at this time. They should be reinstalled in the near future.
- Discussion was held regarding the repair of the water fountain at Apple Park as well as a water fountain being installed at Bartley Memorial Park. Fencing is also being determined for Bartley Memorial Park.
- Phase one is under way at the ball fields...look for things to start happening in the near future.
- The Park Board Facebook Page has been updated. Check it out! They also have an email address where you can reach them at Duenwegparksboard@gmail.com.

The next Park Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 22nd, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building, 118 Webb Street, Duenweg, MO

VALENTINE'S DAY PUZZLE

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 E V O L R O V P N L Q N U D H
 F R X T W T J C F T L I A N S
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 CARDS
 CUPID
 DEAR
 DOVES
 FEBRUARY
 FLOWERS
 FRIENDS
 HEART
 HUG
 KISS
 LOVE
 PINK
 RED
 SWEETHEART
 TREATS
 VALENTINE**

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16	17	18 Park Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	19 Trash Day	20	21 Mayor's Morning Coffee Meeting @ Fire Department 7:30 -10:00 am ***** Water Bill Late Fees Applied	22
23	24 Municipal Court 5:30 p.m.	25 Water Shut Offs	26 Trash Day	27 Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	28 Mayor's Morning Coffee Meeting @ Fire Department 7:30 -10:00 am	29



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



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| 8 Ella Grace Black | 23 Howard Reding |
| 8 Elizabeth Vice | 23 Kimberlea Hutson |
| 11 Darren Webb | 24 Jayden Olds |
| 15 Valerie Patterson | 25 Rob Ingram |
| 22 Joe Garcia | 28 Steve Hoss |



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES



- 12 James & Shirley Lewis
14 Doug & Lori Hennen



If you have a birthday or an anniversary that you would like to appear in the newsletter, please contact City Hall at 417-623-2027 or slewis@duenwegmo.com.

Important Reminders...

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 417-623-6620.

Storm Sirens —

Just a reminder, we will continue to test the storm sirens on the **second Wednesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.** If you doubt one of the storm sirens is not working properly please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027.

Want to Get Involved?

The Planning Board and the Park Board frequently have open seats. Interested in knowing more? Ask at City Hall what you have to do to get an assignment. Get Involved!

This is **OUR** City —
be a part of its future!

IF YOU USE PAYPAL

To pay your water, sewer, trash bill with the City of Duenweg, **PLEASE** set it up for payment by the 14th of the month so it will clear and be posted to the CITY'S account before your bill is past due! We do NOT receive notifications that a payment has been made UNTIL that payment is DEPOSITED into OUR account, therefore, if you pay your bill using PayPal after the 13th of the month, we may not receive notice that you have paid that bill until after we have processed it for late payment! This does NOT affect payments made in person or over the phone using your debit or credit card.

Thank you!!!!

Meeting Times & Schedules

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

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

All Board Meetings are held in the Municipal Building at 118 Webb Street.

City Water Bill Payments are Due Upon Receipt

Bills can be paid online through the City's web site and PayPal or in person at City Hall. Beginning on the 21st of each month, or on the Monday following that date if it falls on a weekend, a late charge of 10% is applied and past due notices are mailed out to those who have not paid their bills by that date. If the past due notices are not paid by the 25th of the same month at 8:00 a.m., 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 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 the office clerk at slewis@duenwegmo.com.

SPECIAL NOTICE....

The Public Works Department would like you to know that if you have issues with City Utilities after hours, please call 417-623-2263 so the proper authorities can be notified.

Winter Weather

With the colder months coming, the threat of snow and ice increases. In the past, Duenweg Public Works has done a great job at keeping the roads clear and safe. A big part of this is thanks to the consideration of our residents in keeping the roads cleared. Please remember that moving vehicles or other items such as basketball goals from along the roadway helps our guys perform their job to the fullest extent.