



THE WIGMO CITIZEN

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The Official Newsletter of the City of Duenweg, Missouri

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Duenweg, MO 64841
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Police - Non-emergency
(417) 623-2263
Fire - Non-emergency
(417) 623-7408
Emergencies Dial 9-1-1



City Officials & City Staff

Mayor -
Russell Olds

City Clerk -
Shannon Box

Ward One Aldermen -
David Ellis
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

City Hall will be closed on July 3rd
Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July!!

To help Public Works better assist you in the clean-up after a storm, please follow the guidelines below.

In the future when there is storm damage, storm damage debris ONLY must be stacked at the edge of the street, no longer than 7ft lengths, away from vehicles, structures, any wires or poles. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who have assisted the city and neighbors during the storm clean up!

CONGRATULATIONS TO DUENWEG POLICE DEPARTMENT ON RECEIVING THE BLUE SHIELD DESIGNATION!!

See Press Release on page 5.

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 address the council, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 at least two business days before the meeting to be listed on the agenda.

The Board of Aldermen met on June 26th, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Discussion included:

- Ratify Bobcat of Joplin Expenditure
- Ratify Mense CPA Firm Expenditure
- James Kenedy—Emergency Management
- Assistant to the Mayor Terry Edwards
 - Recycle Information
 - Newsletter
 - Blue Shield Update
- ORDINANCE NO. 2025-010 Fireworks (2nd reading) - No action taken
- BILL NO. 2026-005 Mobile Home Parks (1st reading) - No action taken
- 2025 Audit
- General Business

The next Board of Aldermen meeting will be July 23rd, 2026 at 7:00 pm.



The City of Duenweg **Park Board** meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm. If you would like to address the Park Board, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 at least two business days before the meeting to be listed on the agenda.

The Park Board met on June 9th, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Discussion included:

- Pricing on Equipment
- Tetherball Pricing for Apple Park
- Trash Cans
- Possible Money Market Account
- Walking Trail at Cossey Park
- General Business

The next Park Board meeting will be July 14th, 2026 at 6:00 pm.



The City of Duenweg **Planning Board** meets on the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm. If you would like to address the Planning Board, please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027 at least two business days before the meeting to be listed on the agenda.

The Planning Board did not meet in June 18th, 2026. due to no new business.

The next Planning Board Meeting will be on July 16th, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Ordinances

Should you have any questions about the City's ordinances, please contact City Hall.

We'll be happy to

answer your questions or concerns with **FACTUAL** information and provide you with copies if needed.

FOOD TRUCK PARK

If you know of any Food Truck vendors, let them know about our Food Truck Park.

All new Food Truck vendors get their first day free.

Contact City Hall at
417-623-2027

NOTICE—PETS

With the temps on the rise, it is important to maintain:

- Adequate water and shade for outdoor pets.

Should you see any pets unattended, please contact 314-647-4400, this is a Statewide hotline.

Dogs & cats must be licensed within the City. The cost is \$1.00 and may be purchased at City Hall.

Dogs are NOT permitted to run at large in the City. Owners will be fined.



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.

Newsletter Content

If you have an article, information, or an 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 it to PO Box 105, or by emailing it to: tedwards@duenwegmo.com

July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 TRASH PICK-UP	2	2 CITY HALL CLOSED	4 
5	6	7	8 TRASH PICK-UP	9	10	11
12	13	14 Park Board Mtg @ 6:00 pm Court 430pm	15 TRASH PICK-UP	16 Planning Board Mtg @ 6:00pm	17	18
19	20	21 Late Fees Applied	22 TRASH PICK-UP	23 Council Mtg. @ 7:00 pm	24 Shut-offs	25
26	27	28	29 TRASH PICK-UP	30	31	

Lending Library

250 years!!!

Lets learn a little while reading these children's books about the history of our Nation.

If You Sailed on the Mayflower 1620

by McGovern, Ann

If You Lived in Williamsburg in Colonial Days

by Brenner, Barbara

If You Lived at the Time of the American Revolution

by Moore, Kay

If You Lived at the Time of the Civil War

by Moore, Kay

You Wouldn't Want to be an American Pioneer

by Morley, Jacqueline





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. Failure to do so could result in a \$25.00 fine per Ordinance 2025-012.

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 working properly please notify City Hall at (417) 623-2027.

Our sirens are for outdoor warning. If you are indoors you need to rely on television or a NOAA weather radio. The sirens will sound when a tornado warning is received for our portion of our county or surrounding counties or when winds speeds reach 70 MPH or higher. We will not issue an all clear.

The city residents have access to the storm shelter owned at the Beacon Safe Room. (Duenweg Elementary school) located at 202 Malloy Circle. The fire station is not a shelter. If you go to the fire station you will be sent to the shelter at the school. The shelter will be opened when severe weather approaches our area. The school district has a policy that any animal in the shelter must be in a cage

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.

City Water Bill Payments are Due Upon Receipt

Bills can be paid online through the City's website, in person at City Hall, or placed in either drop box. **Beginning on the 21st of each month you may receive a phone call from the City in an attempt to collect payment. The purpose of this is to eliminate as many people as possible from the shut-off list that begins on the 25th of every month. If we do not receive any payment or communication that payment will not occur on the 25th then your water will be disconnected and a \$25 reconnect fee will be applied to the account.**

If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at (417) 623-2027.

Duenweg Fire Department Monthly Runs by Incident Type May 2026

Fire—Constr., Bldg., Veh.	10
Hazardous Situation	6
Medical	53
Public Service	10
No Emergency	30

Total Calls 109

Can Fireworks be recycled?

No fireworks are not recyclable.

Please make sure fireworks are soaked in a bucket of water overnight and are completely out before disposal.

Duenweg Police Department Monthly calls by Type May 2026

911 Hangup Cell Phone	9
Abuse Child/ Elderly No EMS	1
Alarm RESD PNIC	2
Animal Complaint	3
Assault in Progress	2
Assist Citizen Motorist	2
Burglary Past Tense	1
CI Driver Traffic Complaints	2
Check Well Bing ATL	6
Civil Parties Separated	2
Crash Injury, UNK injury	2
Crash Non-injury, No Fire	1
Department Assist	5
Disturbance in Progress	8
Disturbance Past Tense	4
Domestic In Progress, No EMS	4
Follow Up	7
Fraud Internet Identity Scam	1
Harassment	1
Information Only	9
Juvenile Offenses	1
Intox Subj No Dist No EMS	1
Law Name & Number	36
Medical Unknown	9
Medical w/ Law	1
Missing Person Adult Juvenile	1
Nuisance Complaint	4
Paper Service	1
Parking Complaint	3
Police Unknown	1
Property Found Lost	1
Pursuit Vehicle or Foot	1
Road Hazard / Obstruction	1
Runaway	4
Stalk Past Tense	1
Structure Fire	1
Structure Fire Commercial	1
Subject Stop Pedestrian Check	2
Suicidal Subject	1
Suspicious Activity Item	4
Suspicious Person	1
Suspicious Vehicle	4
Theft in Progress	1
Theft Property /Services	2
Threats	1
Threats Just Occurred	1
Traffic Stop	33
Trespass In Progress	1
Vehicle Lock Out No Fire	4
Walk in Report	16
Warrant Service Search	1
Total Calls	199



The City of Duenweg Officially Receives Missouri Blue Shield Designation

– Today, the City Of Duenweg received official word from the Missouri Department of Public Safety that we have earned the Missouri Blue Shield designation for 2026. This honor recognizes Missouri communities that demonstrate their commitment to enhancing public safety, investing in and supporting law enforcement and building partnerships between law enforcement and our community.

The Missouri Blue Shield Program was created by Governor Kehoe in January 2025 through Executive Order 25-03. In 2025, 201 Missouri communities earned the Blue Shield designation, recognizing local governments’ significant efforts to reduce crime and foster law enforcement – community partnerships to strengthen public safety. The opportunity to earn the Blue Shield designation for 2026 opened on February 4, 2026. Communities that earned the Blue Shield designation in 2025 had to reapply this year to be approved once again.

“The Blue Shield program has shown what’s possible when communities commit to prioritizing law enforcement and public safety,” **Governor Kehoe** said. “After awarding \$50,000 grants to more than 200 communities last year, we’re continuing that work by welcoming new communities and renewing Blue Shield designations for counties, towns, and cities that remain committed to the program.”

“Strengthening public safety and committing to joint law enforcement community – citizen safety efforts is what the Blue Shield Program is all about and the Department of Public Safety is honored to work with communities like Duenweg that have answered the Blue Shield challenge,” said **Mark James, Director of the Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS)**. “Last year, the essential equipment provided by Blue Shield grants included 388 mobile data terminals, 351 body cameras, 151 license plate readers (LPR), 102 ballistic vests, 91 interoperable radios and 56 vehicles. We look forward to getting additional important equipment and training to our partners in local law enforcement.”

“This is the catalyst to help us better provide for our Police Department and our abilities to enhance the quality of the officers and the department rather than the size and their equipment.” Mayor Olds.

“This will help us to better serve the public, enabling us to obtain funding to continue and to free up budgetary dollars.” Chief Pearce

Eligibility and Program Details

Communities are eligible for a Missouri Blue Shield designation based on their dedication to reducing crime, making substantial investments in public safety, and developing strong collaboration with law enforcement agencies and community stakeholders. Each participating community’s commitment is reviewed annually to ensure continued alignment with the program’s goals.

Participation Incentives

Communities that earn a Missouri Blue Shield designation will receive grant funding for law enforcement training and equipment as part of Governor Kehoe’s Recommended Budget for the State Fiscal Year 2027, provided the General Assembly approves the funding. The Governor’s FY 2027 budget appropriated \$10 million to the program for equipment and training grants. Communities will also be featured on Governor Kehoe’s social media pages as well as the DPS website to highlight their participation in the program

About Duenweg

Duenweg earned a Missouri Blue Shield designation because of its exceptional commitment to public safety. Through officer training, connections with local stakeholders and vested interested the community well being as a whole, the community has demonstrated a strong and ongoing commitment to protecting its residents. This designation affirms Duenweg’s effort to create a safer, more secure environment for all who live and work here.

