



THE WIGMO CITIZEN

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Jeff Pearce

Publics Works Manager;
Water Facilities Director -
Ron Klein

Court Clerk;
Utilities Clerk -
Michael Henderson

Building Department -
Colton Harbin

Office Clerk -
Shirley Lewis

Memorial Day 2023

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Memorial Day 2023 will occur on Monday, May 29. We use this time to place flowers on our families graves in addition to honor our fallen soldiers.

Small cemeteries are often cared for by volunteers and donations, such as Sterling Cemetery. They have worked tirelessly to improve the landscape and to maintain the graves of many. This Memorial Day, take a moment to stop by any cemetery and pay your respects.



**City Wide Garage Sale coming soon
to a yard near you!!**

**The City wide Garage Sales are scheduled for
Saturday June 17th. If you're having a sale, let us
know the location and it will be added to the map.
Maps will be available at the City Hall and local
stores! Give your stuff a new home!!!!**



The Board of Aldermen did not meet on April 27, 2023 at 7:00 pm. Due to lack of a quorum. It has been rescheduled for May 4th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

The Park Board met on April 10th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Discussion included:

- Allocation of funds for painting restroom wall at Apple Park
- Review mowing contract with Public works
- Discussed purchase of a swing for Cossey Park
- Discussed pricing of popcorn machines and outdoor movie screen
- Park Board equipment can only be loaned out with Park Board approval
- Discussed allocating funds for bleachers for Cossey Park
- Tents, bleachers and swing set approved to be ordered

The next Park Board meeting will be May 9th at 6 p.m.

The Planning Board did not meet in April due to no new business. The next meeting of the Planning Board is scheduled for May 18th at 7 p.m.



In Case You didn't Know.....

**Hey, it's SPRING!!!
Get outside, enjoy the
sunshine, plant some
flowers or a garden,
and mow your grass!**

A roll-off dumpster is provided to citizens to place their bulk items in at no charge.

This service is provided by GFL Trash Services and assists in keeping our rates low.

The roll-off is located at 118 S Prigmore and is open from M-F 8 to 4.

Please utilize this service as an alternative to placing items at the curb.



Lending Library

A new addition to the Lending Library donated by Terry Edwards this month is "Margaritaville, The Cookbook." This book contains some famous recipes by Jimmy Buffett.



Photos and other items pertaining to the history of Duenweg were generously donated by Dona Cupp.

If you have some time, stop in and see our Lending Library and History Room at City Hall.

Did you know that newsletters are always available at the City Hall? Yes, they are! Pick yours up today!

For Your Information

Any new construction, building or remodel requires a building permit from the City Hall.

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

May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 TRASH DAY	4 Make-up Council Meeting @ 7pm	5	6
7	8	9 PARK BOARD MEETING @ 6PM	10 TRASH DAY	11	12	13
14 Mother's Day	15 Court 5:30	16	17 TRASH DAY	18 Planning Board Meeting @7p.m.	19	20
21	22 Late Fees Applied	23	24 TRASH DAY	25 SHUT OFFS Council Meeting @ 7pm	26	27
28	29 MEMORIAL DAY City Hall Closed	30				



MAY 2023

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|--|---------------------------------|
| 1 Phillip King
Miranda Owens | 25 Ashley Trotnic
Izaah King |
| 2 Jenna Dimetroff
Logan Mills | 26 Pam Powers
Gary Shipman |
| 4 Maddi Pace | 28 Buster Van Fleet |
| 7 Hudson Sowell | 30 Ruby Long
Quyen Nguyen |
| 8 Sam Ingram | |
| 10 Patricia Sorenson
Abel Griffiths | |
| 13 Troy Owns
Ronnie King
Tosha Richard | |
| 17 Amanda Smith | |
| 19 Melody Gilstrap | |
| 20 Kay Dimetroff | |
| 21 Carson Tyndal | |
| 22 Ryen Downing
Gary Wells | |

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- | | |
|---|---------------------|
| 1 | David & Tammy Ellis |
| 2 | Jim & Pam Powers |
| 7 | David & Dini Donoho |

**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 417-623-6620.

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.



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.

Want to Get Involved?

The Planning Board and the Park Board 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!

NOTICE

Please do not place cash in the drop boxes.

The City is not responsible for cash left in drop boxes.

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 at least 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 at least two business days before the meeting.

All Board Meetings are held in the City Hall at 7409 Johnson Highway Duenweg, Mo.

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 21st 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 25th 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

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.



EMERGENCY

MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

With storm season upon us I wanted to take a moment to inform every one of the city's policies on warning sirens. 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 by the Joplin School District, located at 801 S Irwin. 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 or carrier. This is for everyone's safety. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know. Let's all work together to make this a safe season for all. —Ron King



Special Notices

- This is a reminder that dogs are not permitted to run at large in the City. Additionally, they should only be tied out or tethered for 30 minutes at a time.
- With spring just around the corner, this is a reminder to keep yards and weeds mowed. Failure to do so could result in a \$100.00 fine.

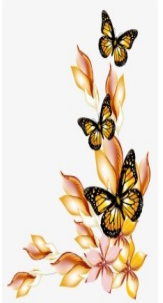




Monarch Butterflies Are Headed Straight For Missouri This Spring

Spring is a time of rebirth and, for many of us, it's ecstatically welcomed after a long, cold winter. Soon the tourists will return but, before that, we'll start seeing ruby-throated hummingbirds, spring peepers, and monarch butterflies in Missouri. When the monarch butterflies arrive in Missouri, they'll need a place to lay eggs and feed, and you can help with both. After spending winters in Mexico, monarch butterflies begin their journey north – landing in states all across the country, including Missouri. The butterflies usually make their first appearances in Missouri in April. Monarchs then begin their journey south to Mexico, where they will spend the winter, in the late summer, from August through September.

If you want to help monarch butterflies, plant milkweed in your yard or even in a planter. Monarchs lay their eggs in the milkweed and, days later, caterpillars hatch. The milkweed houses the caterpillars until their transformation, usually two to three weeks later, into butterflies. transformation, usually two to three weeks later, into butterflies. Missouri is home to 18 types of milkweed, although some are more common than others, including common, whorled, swamp, and purple milkweed. You can also grow flowers off of which the monarch butterflies will feed. Sunflowers, black-eyed susan's, marigolds, and zinnias are among those flowers that will attract butterflies.



Happy Mother's Day

Mother's Day is May 14th.

So, to all the Mother's out there now and those to be...

Happy Mother's Day!!!!

Did you know? More phone calls are made on Mother's Day than any other day of the year. These holiday chats with Mom often cause phone traffic to spike by as much as 37 percent.

We Love you, MOM!!!



Fun Animal Facts

Have you ever wondered what groups of animals are called? Enjoy this interesting list of a few such groups..

Bats - a Colony or Cauldron
Bees - a Swarm
Crows - a Murder
Eagles - A Convocation
Elephants - a Parade
Flamingos - a Flamboyance
Owls - a Parliament
Raccoons - a Gaze
Ravens - an Unkindness
Skunks - a Stench
Squirrels - a Scurry



Advice from a Tree

- Stand tall and proud
- Go out on a limb
- Remember your roots
- Drink plenty of water
- Be content with your natural beauty
- Enjoy the view



Let's have a CONTEST!!

Entries are due by May 26th and will be judged by Mayor Olds.

There will be two age groups: 0-6 and 7-12

1st Prize for each age group - \$10.00 Gift Card to Dollar General

2nd Prize for each age group - \$5.00 Gift Card to Dollar General



MEMORIAL DAY