

City Of Udall Est. 1881

UDALL CHIT CHAT

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DECEMBER 2024



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Events, and More**

We send our Chit-Chats out via email as well. Our emailed copies are in color and have many more features that our printers can't offer. You can request to be added to our email list! Also, do you have something that you would like to see in the chit chat? Maybe more or less of something? Let us know!

courtclerk@cityofudall.com



Congratulations to **Jim Morgan** on his impressive catch from our Udall pond! Your dedication and patience have truly paid off, and it's always exciting to hear about such a remarkable fish being pulled from our waters and it also highlights the vibrant ecosystem we have cultivated in the pond. Well done, Jim! Your catch is a testament to the fantastic fishing opportunities we have right here in our backyard. Here's to many more great days on the water!



North Point Park
located at Clark & North
Point Drive



EXTRACTS FROM CITY FISHING REGULATIONS

PERMITS AND FEES	
Udall Residents (inside city limits)	\$5.00/single/yr
Udall Residents (outside city limits)	\$20.00/family/yr
Daily Guest Fee	\$7.00/single/yr
	\$30.00/family/yr
	\$5.00/day

PARK HOURS
North Point Park will be open to the public:
6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sun. - Thurs. / 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Fri. & Sat.

LOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS

UDALL HISTORICAL MUSEUM



**Is hosting a chili feed fundraiser
on
January 25th 5:00 - 6:30 pm. at
the Community Building. Please
come by and support your
community! Everyone is welcome.**

The Nazarene Church Clothes Closet 214 S. Church St.



**Open the second Saturday
of each month! Clothing is
free to the public!!
Donations can be left on
the porch in plastic bags.
(no boxes or loose clothing please)**

**Sign up to be in our Christmas parade! To sign up
contact the Shayla Boyer at the City building.**

**We are looking for vendors for our Christmas event
December 7th. The application fee is \$20.00 per
booth. For more information contact Jennifer
Bonnell at 316-883-1134**

HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS EVENT

WE ARE PLANNING TO HOST OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS EVENT FOR THE CITY OF UDALL DECEMBER 7TH, 2024. WE ARE WANTING TO BRING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER AND ADD VENDORS, FAUX SNOWBALL FIGHTS, LIVE MUSIC IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL CHILI FEED, PARADE AND MEET AND GREET WITH SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS.

WE ARE LOOKING TO RAISE SPONSORSHIP IN ORDER TO FURTHER OUR EVENT FOR OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY AND BRING US TOGETHER AT THE SAME TIME. IF YOU ARE WILLING TO SUPPORT OUR EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OFFICE VIA EMAIL, PHONE CALL OR STOP BY. YOUR SPONSORSHIP IS SURE TO GO A LONG WAY IN ASSISTING OUR EVENT. ANY AMOUNT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED! WE WILL ALSO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR BUSINESS WILL BE LISTED ON OUR WEBSITE AND FLYERS.

THE CITY OF UDALL
620-782-3512
COURTCLERK@CITYOFUDALL.COM

www.cityofudall.com

Cheers for CASA

Cheers to the Holidays

This is our premier annual holiday fundraiser benefiting CASA of Cowley County. Featuring live and silent auctions, door prizes, games, food from Creekstone Farms, drinks by Gypsybevco, and more! We hope to see you there!

December 7th, 2024
Behr Rafters in Winfield, KS
Doors open at 5:00pm

Become an Event Sponsor

- o Accessory Wall Sponsor - \$100
 - Participants purchase a ticket, draw a number, and walk away with the accessory with the matching number
- o Mystery Purse/Toolbag Auction Sponsor - \$150
 - Name Brand Purses/Toolbag will be auctioned off and the winner will get to open their bag to reveal a mystery prize hidden inside
- o Whiskey Wall Sponsor - \$250
 - Participants purchase a ticket, draw a number, and walk away with the whiskey bottle with the matching number

Additional Support Options

- o Auction Donations
 - Product, Gift Certificate, Gift Basket, etc. that will be auctioned off

Choose Your Selection:

Sponsors:

- Accessory Wall - \$100
- Mystery Purse - \$150
- Whiskey Wall - \$250

Auction Donation:

- Product
- Gift Certificate
- Monetary

Business Name:

Contact Name:

Contact Phone #:

Please cut off and return with your selection(s) to:

CASA of Cowley County
P.O. Box 174
Winfield, KS 67156



DECORATING CONTEST



SPRINKLE SOME SNOW IN OUR DOWNTOWN DISTRICT WITH A CHRISTMAS LIGHT POLE DECORATING CONTEST!

OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES, ORGANIZATIONS & CLUBS

TO HELP EVERYONE GET INTO THE WINTER SPIRIT FOR 2023!

WE HOPE TO FILL ALL OUR POLES WITH PRIDE, TRADITION & CREATIVITY WHILE HELPING TO WELCOME OTHERS TO UDALL

Rules:

Entries accepted until 4pm on Friday November 29th, 2024.

Decorations *must* be in place by Tuesday December 3rd, 2024.

Poles will be assigned by the City of Udall (Special requests can be made)

Judging is based on originality, materials & space.

May not decorate pole higher than 9 feet.

May not use glue, packing tape or permanently fasten anything to the light pole.

Strongly urged to use painters' tape, string, or zip ties

Decorations must be removed by January 3rd, 2025.

HAVE FUN!!!

Awards:

Winners will be announced on City of Udall Facebook page at 12 pm on Friday December 6th, 2024.

Judging will be done by an anonymous panel of judges.



1st Place \$200

2nd Place \$100

3rd Place \$50



FILL OUT AN ENTRY FORM AND BRING IT TO OR EMAIL IT TO THE CITY OF UDALL

110 S MAIN ST | FAX (620)782-3474 | courtclerk@cityofudall.com

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Presented by the City of Udall

HOMETOWN Christmas EVENT!

7 DECEMBER, 2024 | FROM 2:30 - 6PM

2:30PM - PARADE
3- 6PM - VENDORS
3:00- 6:00PM - VISIT WITH SANTA,
CHILI FEED AND LIVE MUSIC!!

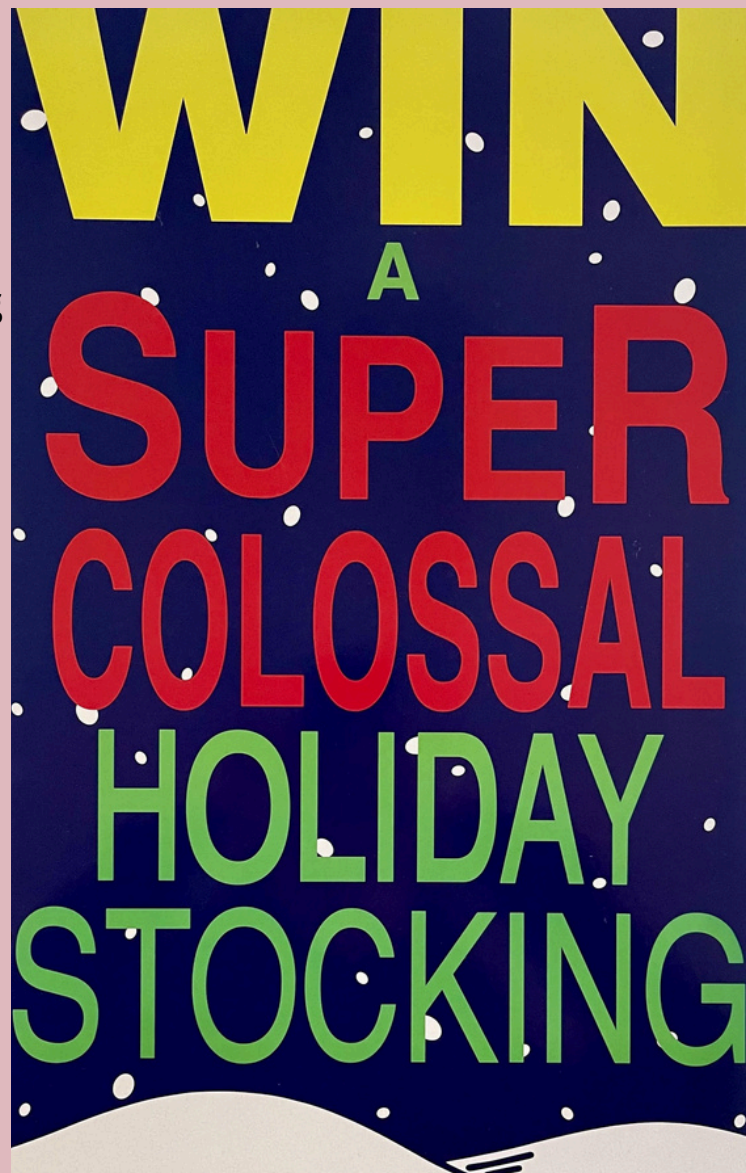
CHILI AND SOUP SUPPER WITH DESSERTS, VENDORS, FLOAT PARADE,
PICTURES WITH SANTA AND PRESENTS FOR THE KIDS, FAUX SNOWBALL
FIGHT, MUSIC BY JUSTIN BROWN
AND MORE!

RAFFLE / CHILI FEED

The Police Department is raffling 2 GIANT STOCKINGS!

Tickets are available now at the City Building! 1 for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing will be December 7th at the Community Building during the chili feed. Chili, soup and desserts will be by donation.

Don't forget the "sweets" silent auction! Homemade pies will be available to bid on! Proceeds go to school supplies and items for the kids in our community.



ANGEL TREE REQUEST

THE ANGEL TREE PROGRAM IS HAPPENING AGAIN THIS YEAR. THE PROGRAM PROVIDES GIFTS FOR CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO MIGHT OTHERWISE NOT HAVE A CHRISTMAS. ENCLOSED YOU WILL FIND ANGEL TREE REQUEST FORMS THAT WILL NEED TO BE COMPLETED FOR EACH CHILD. THE AGE REQUIREMENTS ARE 18 AND UNDER. PLEASE RETURN THE APPLICATION TO THE CITY BUILDING ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 27, 2024.



Sugar COOKIE Decorating Class

Saturday, December 14th
10am-1pm

Udall Public Library

We'll decorate cookies and have a fun day. Sprinkle, frosting, and anything sweet. If you can make it, I'll save you a seat! Refreshments will be provided.

Udall Public Library

TRUE CRIME CLUB

Thursday, December 26th

7p.m.-8 p.m.

18 years of age or older



LIBRARY EVENTS!

Join us at the Udall Public Library
for our

PAJAMA CHRISTMAS PARTY

Thursday, December 19th
starting at 5-8 P.M.

Come dressed in your coziest
jammies and enjoy some cocoa,
games, and kids' crafts!

BOOKS & BABIES

SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 7TH
10:00-10:45AM

FREE FOR
PARENTS AND
CHILDREN 0-4
YEARS!

SINGING, NURSERY RHYMES,
FINGER PLAYS, STORY
TIME, CRAFTS, AND SNACKS!

Special Meeting & Meeting Minutes

The Udall City Council met for the City Council Meeting on Wednesday **September 11th, 2024, at 6:30pm** at the Udall City Hall Council Room. Matt **McAllister**, Mayor, called the meeting to order. Council members present were Dan **Rutschman**, Randy **Hoffman**, Jim **Caywood**, Craig **Hopkins**, and David **Franz**.

Quorum established. Also, present were Jennifer Mays, Erik King, Dennis White, Mary Hilderbrand, Ernie Daniels, Jeanine Daniels, Steve Brown, Pastor Jack Wellman and Sarah Martin.

Meeting brought to order by **McAllister** at 6:30pm

Modification to Agenda – None

MOTION to approve Agenda by **Caywood**. SECONDED by Franz.

McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION carried.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation performed by Jack Wellman

Business from the floor – Steve Brown has repeatedly tried to contact Kansas Secured Title, Inc. He has received a response that the Real Estate Purchase contract for 118 East 1 Street Lots 17 and 18 is now out of date and they need a new contract to complete the purchase. The City Clerk will have the contract for all parties to re-sign. The City Clerk will contact the Title company to ask if the closing costs can be waived due to the length of time lapsed. Mr. Brown also stated that the maintenance department did a fantastic job cleaning up the lake. MOTION by **Franz** to approve the revised July minutes to include Randy **Hoffman** as present. SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

MOTION by **Caywood** to approve the Consent Agenda.

SECONDED by **Hopkins**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes.

MOTION Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Vacant Buildings – **McAllister** spoke with the city attorney regarding the resolution the council must pass after the hearing to include the legal description of the property.

NEW BUSINESS

Animal Control – Jeanine Daniels complaint regarding the neighbor's cat defecating on her property and destroying flower beds again. Officer Boyer has written a citation to the owners of the cat, and they are due in court in October. Ernie Daniels questioned why the property to the South of him hadn't been cleaned up yet.

The police will revisit the property owner. Also, he would like more dirt delivered and spread at his property. It will be delivered and spread for him per maintenance.

Blessing Box – Sarah Martin (NICE Committee) and Mary Hilderbrand (Sun Club) would like to buy a cooler to be put alongside the current box for perishable items, and for them both to be moved to the front of City Hall during the winter months. The council said this would be fine, but a sign needs to be posted that the items are donated and to take at your own risk.

BCBS and FCMI Renewal – MOTION by **Hoffman** to approve the 2024-2025 renewal rates. SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

IRS 941 Refund – Discussion regarding the 3-month term on the CD. Explanation: If the IRS comes back stating a mistake on their part, the funds need to be accessible as soon as possible. The CD must be kept for at least Two (2) years. MOTION by **Franz** to approve moving the money into a CD at 3-month terms for at least Two (2) years. SECONDED by **Hopkins**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Stewart Addition – The city attorney stated to **McAllister** that the city is not liable to sell the properties to Mumford Contracting after the ending contract date of October 1, 2024.

Overtime Pay for City Employees – Dennis White Maintenance Superintendent provided payroll information extending back at least 10 years. Holidays have been calculated as time worked & any overtime worked during that one (1) week time frame was paid.

Employee handbook to be edited to include an addendum stating that Holidays will be counted toward hours worked. Vacation and sick days are not to be included as time worked and overtime will only be calculated if it is over the amount of time taken for vacation or sick days. MOTION by **Hoffman** to approve this amendment and pay the city clerk retroactively for 3 ½ hours of overtime for the week of Labor Day 2024 on the next payroll. SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Tim Brooks \$1.00/hour pay raise for the completion of wastewater certification - Executive Session requested by **Franz**. MOTION by **Franz** to enter executive session beginning at 7:45 to discuss non-elected personnel and return at 7:55pm. SECONDED by **Hoffman**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried. 7:55pm

McAllister called the meeting back to order. No binding action taken.

MOTION by **Caywood** to approve a \$1.00/hr. raise for Tim Brooks for passing the State Wastewater Certification. SECONDED by **Hoffman**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Move CD6425 from a 12-month CD term to a Six-month term for a higher interest rate - MOTION by **Hoffman** to approve moving CD6425 to a 6-month term. SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS:

Rutschman – Trees for berm in the Stewart Addition.

Caywood – None

Hoffman- DG has the water leak fixed. Discussion of road damage at Church Street and 5th Street.

Hopkins – Community Building lights aren't working in the parking lot. Discussion. MOTION by **Hoffman** to approve maintenance installing the lights, with the lights being purchased by the City. The city will provide electricity as the Community Building is provided for the week of Christmas to the City. SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried

Franz – None

Mayor – None

STAFF REPORTS:

Police Dept- **McAllister** requested PD to investigate dash cams and body cams, and a policy. Search for possible grants.

Maintenance – None

Office – 2022 audit documents have been completed and sent to the auditor. 2023 is completed through February.

MOTION by **Caywood** to ADJOURN. SECONDED by **Hopkins**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURN – 8:18pm

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 02, 2024

The Udall City Council met for a **Special Meeting on October 2nd, 2024 at 6:30pm** at the Udall City Building Council Room. Matthew **McAllister**, Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Council members present were Dan **Rutschman**, Randy **Hoffman**, Jim **Caywood**, Craig **Hopkins** and David **Franz** Quorum established. Also, present were Jennifer Mays, Erik King, Dennis White.

Fall Festival CMD License, Police Department and Maintenance Department Overtime for Fall Festival, whether to charge for electrical usage at the park and no unauthorized golf carts or ATVs in the park.

Modification of Agenda: None

MOTION by **Hoffman** to approve the Fall Festival CMB license, PD and Maintenance Overtime, not to charge for electrical usage at the park, and it will be and no unauthorized golf carts or ATVs in the park. The city, Fire Department and Fall Festival are allowed one ATV each. Signs will be put up notifying the public around the park. SECONDED by **Caywood**.

McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

MOTION by **Hopkins** to ADJOURN.

SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjourned at 6:32 pm.

Special Meeting & Meeting Minutes

UDALL CITY COUNCIL HEARING MINUTES OCTOBER 09, 2024

The Udall City Council met for a Hearing on **Wednesday October 9th, 2024, at 6:30pm** at the Udall City Hall Council Room. Matt **McAllister**, Mayor, called the meeting to order. Council members present were Dan **Rutschman**, Randy **Hoffman**, Jim **Caywood**, Craig **Hopkins**, and David **Franz**. Quorum established. Also, present were Shayla Boyer, Erik King, Dennis White, Brian Walker, Pastor Jack Wellman, Lucas Goff and Marilyn Pellegrini.

Hearing brought to order by **McAllister** at 6:30 pm

Vacant Buildings- **McAllister** asks if anyone was present for the hearing regarding 213 N Clark? (no) MOTION by **Caywood** to proceed to move forward with demolition of 213 N Clark SECONDED by **Hoffman**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

MOTION by **Hoffman** to ADJOURN. SECONDED by **Hopkins**.

McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjourned at 6:40 pm

UDALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 09, 2024

The Udall City Council met for the City Council Meeting on Wednesday October 9th, 2024, at 6:30pm at the Udall City Hall Council Room. Matt McAllister, Mayor, called the meeting to order. Council members present were Dan Rutschman, Randy Hoffman, Jim Caywood, Craig Hopkins, and David Franz. Quorum established. Also, present were Shayla Boyer, Erik King, Dennis White, Brian Walker, Pastor Jack Wellman, Lucas Goff and Marilyn Pellegrini.

Meeting brought to order by **McAllister**

Modification to Agenda – **McAllister** would like to modify agenda to add #4 executive session to discuss non-elected personnel and #5 Judy Baxter electrical question.

MOTION to approve modified and add #4 executive session to discuss non-elected personnel and #5 Judy Baxter electrical question by **Hoffman**. SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION carried.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation performed by Jack Wellman

Business from the floor – Brian Walker to give the city an update.

The lawsuit was settled about two weeks ago and will have a modular home on the property in the spring. He has spoken with Chief King about the permits and requirements for a modular home to be brought in.

Marilyn Pellegrini brought thank you cards and gift cards for all the support and thanked the city for another good year for Fall Fest.

CONSENT AGENDA- Discussion about corrections needed for September meeting minutes. MOTION by **Franz** to approve the consent agenda as corrected. SECONDED by **Hoffman**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Vacant Buildings – Next step- contact the attorney and let him know that nobody showed up for the hearing; Check what are next steps are and to move forward. No action taken

NEW BUSINESS

Lucas Goff – Discussion about Jurisdiction Agreement for right of way and roadway between the county and the city. No action taken

Stewart Addition – Council review prices of lots in surrounding towns. Discussed prices for lots 1-4 \$16k, lots 5-6 (by tracks) \$12K. After the lot is purchased, construction must be “dried in” within 6 months and completed within 1 year. (certificate of occupancy) Possibly a forfeiture clause will be added to the contract as well. Contact the attorney to see if a resolution is necessary. No action taken

Employee Manual Rev. 2024 – MOTION by **Franz** to approve revision addendum SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Judy Baxter -Electrical issue in home at 318 Lewis. Called an electrician out and discovered that the issue was due to the meter. Ms. Baxter contacted the city and requested maintenance to check the meter. Maintenance replaced split bolt and fixed the issue. Ms. Baxter is requesting credit to account for money spent on new breakers and an electrician. Due to Ms. Baxter contacting the electrician before contacting the city and this is not a result of something the city did prior, we will not be able to approve any credit.

MOTION by **Caywood** to enter executive session beginning at 7:55 to discuss non-elected personnel and return at 8:05pm.

SECONDED by **Hopkins**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

At 8:05pm **McAllister** called the meeting back to order. No binding action taken.

COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS:

Rutschman - Senior Center roof- any changes? Sealing is not cost effective. Is it possible to move the blessing box over to the south side of the Community building and keep it there all year instead of the city building? **Hopkins** will talk to Sarah Martin.

Hoffman - None

Caywood – None

Franz – Reviewed revenue and expenses and wants to know what is all involved in franchise fees paid to the city? For November's work session council to review- Can broadband be charged franchise fees; who has paid; how much each has paid for a year; what is cell tower rent?

Hopkins- None

Mayor - Updates from KPP conference.

STAFF REPORTS:

Police Dept - Policy on cameras needs to be fine-tuned and brought back in November.

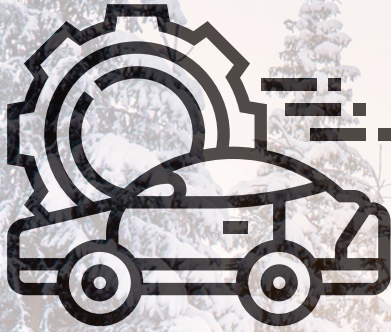
Maintenance – Next year the electrical will be updated for park will have an extra 220 volt plug in added.

Office – MOTION by **Caywood** to approve Denali annual service contract Renewal \$2,098.00 SECONDED by **Rutschman**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

MOTION by **Hopkins** to approve one more day of bereavement for Jennifer Mays due to extenuating circumstances. SECONDED by **Caywood**. **McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

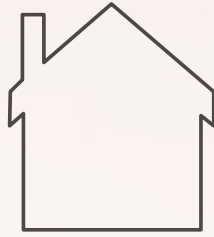
ADJOURN at 8:45 pm

LOCAL BUSINESSES



**Action Jackson Automotive
& Tires**

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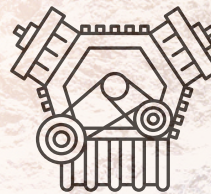
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Small Engine
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Jason Tharp
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KR Horsepower LLC.
(DBA Kistler Tire)
313 E. K-15
620-782-3528

DECEMBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Fire Department Training @ 7 pm	3 Recycle Pickup 5:45pm - TOPS	4 City Council Work Session @6:30 pm	5 Planning Commission Meeting 6 pm Library Guitar Jam 5-6pm	6 Senior Potluck @ @12:00 pm	7 Books & Babies 10-10:45 AM CHRISTMAS EVENT PARADE AT 2:30 PM
8	9	10 5:45pm - TOPS 6pm - Court @ 6 7pm - Community Bldg. Meeting	11 City Council Meeting @6:30 pm	12 Library Guitar Jam 5-6pm	13 Cooperettes Meeting @1:30 pm	14 Library Sugar Cookie Class 10am-1pm
15	16 Meter Readings Taken Fire Department Training @ 7 pm Sign Language Class @Methodist Church 6 pm-7pm	17 Recycle Pickup 5:45pm - TOPS	18	19 Library Guitar Jam 5-6pm Library PJ Party 5-8pm	20 @12:00 pm Senior Potluck @ Utility Payments	21 City Tree/Limb 8 8 am - 12:00 pm
22 Fire Department EMS Training @6:30 pm	23	24 5:45pm - TOPS	25	26 Library Guitar Jam 5-6pm Library True Crime Club 7-8 pm	27	28
29	30	31 Recycle Pickup 5:45pm - TOPS	1 City Council Work	2 Planning	3 Senior Potluck @	4
				Library Guitar Jam 5-6pm		