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## UDALL CHIT CHAT

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## **AUGUST**

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



August's happenings at the library! Every Thursday @ 5-6pm - Guitar Jam Monday the 4th @ 6:30pm - Library Board Meeting Tuesday the 5th - Last Day of the Ultimate Summer Reading Challenge Wednesday the 6th - Challenge's Drawing Winners Announced Saturday the 9th @ 11am-2pm - Re-do Mosaic Art Class Thursday the 28th @ 7-8pm - True Crime Club

# True Crime Club Art Class Re-Dol Last Thursday of every month 7-8 p.m. Udall Public Library 107 S. Main, Udall, KS udallpubliclibrary.squarespace.com

The massive rain storms kept most of our June class participants at home, so we are having a re-do of the Mosaic Art Class! If you missed it, sign up again!





### Mosaic Art Class

Up to 16 participants

Saturday, August 9th 11 am-2 pm We will be making an 8x10 Mosaic on art canvas boards for you to frame at home!

Register online @ https://udallareapubliclibrarydistrict.trafft.com/

Udall Public Library 107 S. Main St. Udall, KS



620-782-3435 udallpubliclibrary.com udalllibrary@wheatstate.com

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- 6. T-Mobile Tower Agreement MOTION to approve the entry and testing agreement to begin their project and allow McAllister to sign. SECONDED by Franz. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
- 7. Verizon Lease Buyout Letter waiting for a response from them.
- 8. EMC Arson Claim Y00023288 MOTION by Frans to proceed with Request for bids from multiple contractors. McAllister called for an individual vote (Rutschman Aye), (Hoffman Nay), (Hopkins Aye), (Franz Aye), (Caywood Aye) (4 Ayes, 1 Nay) MOTION Carried.
- 2025 Budget Amendment MOTION by Caywood to set the budget amendment hearing date for July 9<sup>th</sup>
  at 6:15pm for the sewer transfer earlier this year and the deduction of any tax rolls or sale of city property.
  SECONDED by Franz. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
- 10. KDOL Unemployment tax rate increases from 0.10% to 2.44% beginning 01.01.2025. The amount due for Quarter 1 2025 is \$2548.99. The KDOL auditor is investigating who the unemployment claim was for; the other increase was for city employee pay increases.

#### COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS:

Rutschman - None

Hoffman - None

Caywood- 316 E Williams, which is on the vacant house list, needs the yard mowed – Erik will investigate this.

Hopkins - None

Franz - None

Mayor - Will contact the fitness center volunteer.

#### STAFF REPORTS:

Police Dept- Discussion – City Clerk left the meeting at 9:20pm and returned at 9:22pm. MOTION by Caywood approved a part time officer up to 20 hours per week @\$16.00/hour. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Free FEMA training is approved for Erik and Dennis.

Fall Festival pre-emptive license for the beer garden for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July – MOTION by Rutschman to approve the CMB license for the Fall Festival. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Luxury Porta Potties for the park for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July – Cost is \$2000-\$3000/week and will be sent in on the EMC Y00023288 Insurance Claim – MOTION by Franz to reserve this for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. SECONDED by Caywood. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Maintenance – Motion to allow Travis to go to training, city will pay for per diem and hotel in Lawrence from 07/21/2025-07/25/2025 by Hoffman. SECONDED by Caywood. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

MOTION to approve the PO for crack seal \$3066.00 by Franz. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

MOTION to approve PO for asphalt \$3000.00 by Hopkins. SECONDED by Caywood. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

Discussion – J&J drainage will charge \$33.50/foot for 218 S. Main.

Shade for the splash pad – the rec center will purchase 2 of the shade structures for \$2000.00 - Dennis can place them wherever it will provide the most shade.

Office - July 2nd Work Session has been cancelled.

ADJOURN - MOTION by Caywood to adjourn at 10:04pm. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

#### UDALL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES June 11th, 2025

The Udall City Council met for the City Council Meeting on Wednesday June 11th, 2025, at 6:30pm in 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, Jeremiah Whitney, Brandon Lawrence, James P. Smith, Ryan McKee, Spencer Branine, Cody Hendrickson, Kendra Boyer, Jennifer Bonnell, Brandy Kissinger, and Brandon Foster.

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

Pledge of Allegiance Invocation – Pastor Jeremiah Whitney

Modification to Agenda – None – MOTION by Caywood to accept the agenda as presented. SECONDED by Hoffman. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

#### Business from the floor -

- 1. Several residents that own property next to Mr. William's properties have complaints regarding the conditions of all Mr. Williams properties. **McAllister** informed them that the council is taking care of these situations, but the process is lengthy and thanked them for their presence. All residents left the meeting except for Mr. Brooks.
- 2. Ryan McKee with Countryside Mobile Home Park new owners. 8 new mobile homes are being brought in. Rent on these homes will be \$900.00/month.
- 3. Hive and Hearth are searching for property to keep their business in Udall.

CONSENT AGENDA – MOTION to accept the agenda as presented by Caywood. SECONDED by Franz. McAllister called for a vote, All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Vacant Buildings
  - a. 213 N Clark Please have the attorney move forward with the demolition process.
  - b. 206 N. Clark -Owners are actively working on the property.
  - c. 203 S. East Street Property being sold. And cleaning of the property is in process.
    - 406 N. Clark MOTION by Hoffman requiring the owner to either have a Udall Licensed Contractor with a signed contract to bring the property up to code or a signed purchase contract by the next council meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup>. SECONDED by Caywood. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Captain Boyer requested to purchase a lifetime Babel subscription to learn Spanish for a one-time fee of \$179.99. MOTION by Hopkins to approve the purchase. SECONDED by Caywood. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
- 2. Stewart Addition Council agreed to wait to discuss this until Mumford Contracting can be at the July 9<sup>th</sup> council meeting.
- 3. Sun Club Donating \$2000.00 for the fireworks show and will send a check to the city. MOTION by Hoffman to waive the fireworks fee for the SUN Club, SECONDED by Franz. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
- 4. 4th of July MOTION by Hoffman to spend \$5000.00 and the display and shooter. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
- 5. Utility Relocation Phase We are waiting for a response from KDOT to Harlan Foraker, the engineer.

## Udall City Council Special Meeting Minutes

#### City of Udall, Kansas

June 23rd, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

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ROLL CALL:	□ Rutschman □ Hoffman □ Caywood □ Hopkins □ Franz - All Present – Quorum
Established.	

**MODIFICATION OF AGENDA: MOTION** by **Caywood** to switch items 2 and 3 on the agenda. SECONDED by **Hopkins. McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.

**OLD BUSINESS - None** 

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. 1. Bid Opening for repair of city park facility
  - a. MOTION to table so the adjuster can complete everything to the July 9<sup>th</sup> Council meeting by **Hopkins.** SECONDED by **Caywood. McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
- 2. 3. July 5th extension of the time frame for fireworks
  - a. MOTION to extend the time to 10:30pm on July 5<sup>th</sup> for 2025 by **Rutschman.** SECONDED by **Caywood. McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
- 3. Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel
  - a. MOTION by **Caywood** to enter Executive session to discuss non-elected personnel from 6:25pm -6:45pm. SECONDED by **Hoffman. McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
  - b. At 6:45pm McAllister called the meeting to order. No binding action taken.
  - c. MOTION by Caywood to enter Executive session to discuss non-elected personnel from 6:45pm-7:00pm. SECONDED by Hoffman. McAllister called for a vote. Al Ayes. MOTION Carried.
  - d. At 7:00pm McAllister called the meeting to order. No Binding action taken.
  - e. MOTION by **Caywood** to enter Executive session to discuss non-elected personnel from 7:00pm-7:15pm. SECONDED by **Hoffman. McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.
  - f. At 7:15pm McAllister called the meeting to order. No binding action taken.

**ADJOURN:** MOTION to adjourn at 7:15pm by **Caywood.** SECONDED by **Hoffman. McAllister** called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carried.







Llama Day



National S'mores Day

National Waffle Day

# AUGUST FEGAS



National Video Game Week

Peridot

**Birthstone** 

National Watermelon



Left Handed Day



**Astrology Signs** 





August









th Month of The Year







In August, Kansas gardeners can plant a variety of cool-season vegetables for a fall harvest.

Good choices include lettuce, spinach, kale, radishes, beets, and carrots. Other options include cabbage, cauliflower, Swiss chard, and garlic. You can also plant certain herbs like cilantro and parsley. Vegetables to Plant in August in Kansas:

Leafy Greens: Lettuce, spinach, kale, Swiss chard, and Asian greens like bok choy and tatsoi are excellent choices for a fall garden.

Root Vegetables: Beets, carrots, and radishes can be planted in August for a fall harvest.

Brassicas: Cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, and Brussels sprouts can be started in August for a fall harvest.

Other Vegetables: Garlic, onions, peas, green beans, and turnips can also be planted in August.

Herbs: Cilantro and parsley are good options for August planting.

**Tips for Planting in August:** 

Choose varieties suitable for a fall harvest. Some vegetables are better suited for cooler temperatures.

Ensure the soil is well-drained.

Water regularly, especially during dry spells. August can be a dry month in Kansas, so be prepared to water your garden frequently.

Consider planting in raised beds or containers. This can help with drainage and soil warming.

Protect young seedlings from the hot afternoon sun. You may need to provide shade during the hottest part of the day.

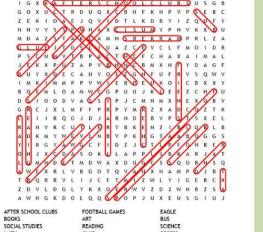


Event by <u>Ali Katz Salon and Spa</u> 211 W 5th Ave, Belle Plaine, KS Duration: 7 hr.

Public · Anyone on or off Facebook
Attention Belle Plaine Kansas and surrounding area!!
We will be offering a pay what you can event on August
9th kids cuts only from 10am-2pm
And adults cuts only 3pm-5pm walk-ins only.

Open the second Saturday of





MARKERS BACKPACK each month! Clothing is free to the public!! Donations can be left on the porch in plastic bags. (no boxes or loose clothing please)

The Nazarene Church
Clothes Closet
214 S. Church St.

## LOCAL BUSINESSES

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Eastern Star Small Engine Repair Jason Tharp 316-312-8704



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KR Horsepower LLC. (DBA Kistler Tire) 313 E. K-15 620-782-3528 AUGUST 2025

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