

# NEWSLETTER



**JULY 8, 2022**



Shane J. Shields, City Manager



*The Kansas Wheat Festival is here!  
For the full list of events/activities, visit  
[www.wellingtonkschamber.com](http://www.wellingtonkschamber.com)  
HAVE FUN!!*

## Congratulations!

*City Manager Shane Shields will be retiring from the City after over twelve (12) years of dedicated service. Join us for a come & go reception in his honor on July 29th from 2pm to 4pm at City Hall. Best wishes to Shane in his new adventures!*

### **West 160 Overpass Repairs**

The final concrete pour was completed Thursday morning. KDOT has advised the contract will allow for a seven (7) day cure time on the concrete and begin removing traffic to open the bridge to full traffic shortly thereafter.

### **East 160 Highway Patches**

After several delays due to rain and mechanical failures, the contractor has completed the repairs as directed. Although not a perfectly smooth ride, it is much better than before they started. City Staff will continue to monitor the repairs.

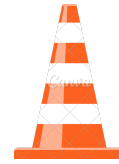
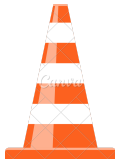
# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

All City Departments have been busy with regular Summer maintenance and assisting with preparations for the 4th of July public fireworks display as well as the Kansas Wheat Festival.



South Central Sealing & Paving applied mastic seal in the following areas this week:

1700 and 1800 Blocks of W. Edgewood Dr.  
16th Street from Edgewood Dr. to Crestview Rd.  
Coyote Ridge Addition  
Wheatridge Addition  
Crestview Heights Addition



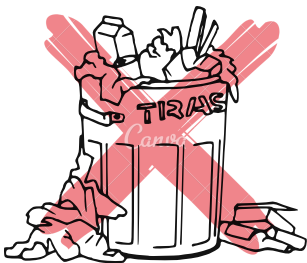
Mastic Seal is a hot-applied polymer modified asphalt mixed with specially designed aggregate and modifier combinations that is chosen to properly fill wide cracks and defects, thus allowing for prevention of water infiltration while restoring and improving traffic quality. The large cracks in these specified areas will be cleaned of dirt and debris using compressed air.

# BUILDING & CODES DEPARTMENT

Summer is here and people are setting up their pools. Just a reminder from the Building & Codes Department to ensure pools are as safe as possible. All pools over 24-inches deep -- or that hold over 5,000 gallons of water -- require a fence constructed with approved fencing material and at least 5 ft. high with a locking gate. Please contact the Building & Codes Office at (620) 326 3871 for information on approved materials. In addition to the required fencing, the use of pool covers is encouraged. The pool cannot be within 10 ft. of an overhead power line, and if you run an electrical cord out to the pool for a pump, remember to have a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protector for it. This will reduce the risk of injury from shock or electrocution.

**City Staff hopes you enjoy your pools and have a safe summer!**

The City of Wellington Building & Codes Department would like to remind our citizens of their responsibilities in maintaining alleyways next to their properties. As Code Enforcement continues to patrol the community daily, we have noticed many alleys not being maintained properly. Please remember City Code requires that no alleys should have overgrown weeds of over 12 inches. Property owners and residents are responsible for trimming trees and shrubs to prevent them from hanging into the alley and scratching vehicles. Alleys should be free of inoperable vehicles, litter and debris. In an effort to control litter and excess debris in your alleyway and surrounding areas, please make sure that your trash is always contained in bags. Trash receptacle lids should be placed and secured appropriately. The Sanitation Department will not collect large items (mattresses, appliances, furniture) with the regular refuse collection routes. The landfill rates for household trash or refuse are \$.0205 per pound with a minimum charge of \$2.00 per load. A special pickup may be scheduled for certain items by calling the Landfill at (620) 326-5951. For questions or clarification of these regulations, please contact the Building & Codes Department at (620) 326-3871.



**Thank you for doing your part to keep our community clean!**

# PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT



On Wednesday ~ July 6th Electric Distribution Crews assisted a team from Sunbelt Solomon with replacement of a High side 69kV insulator on the Power Plant Substation's 30/40 MVA transformer. It was noticed during routine maintenance and testing, that the bushing had some moisture inside, indicating future failure. To replace the bushing the oil had to be pumped down enough to gain access, enter the tank, unhook, remove the failing bushing, install the new one, re-enter and hook up the leads. The oil that was removed is filtered several times, and heated up before being pumped back in. While the oil is filtered, the transformer is drawn down into a deep vacuum for several hours to remove any moisture. Once oil is pumped in, it will sit for a few days to allow any air to rise to the top. The City has been fed from the Crusader Substation while working on the Power Plant 30/40 MVA unit.

## WATER PRODUCTION information for the week of 1 - 7 July 2022:

**Total Influent - 9,000,000 gallons**  
**Average Daily Influent - 1,285,714 gallons**

**Total Effluent - 8,539,000 gallons**  
**Average Daily Effluent - 1,219,857 gallons**

**Wellington Lake Level - 1209' 7" or 2" low**  
**Chikaskia River Pump Station - OFF**

**This week, Water Production crews have been busy with two (2) large projects. The dive crew showed up this week to perform its inspection and cleaning on the clearwell, wet well, and contact basin at the Plant. Crews have also begun the process of removing sludge from the plant process settling ponds.**

# MEETINGS



TUES July 12 ~ City Council Work Session 630PM  
THURS July 14 ~ Memorial Auditorium Board 530PM  
MON July 18 ~ Airport Advisory Board 700PM  
TUES July 19 ~ City Council 630PM  
WEDN July 20 ~ Library Board 530PM  
THURS July 21 ~ Health Care Authority NOON  
TUES July 26 ~ Housing Authority Board 1230PM  
TUES July 26 ~ Planning Commission 600PM