



NEWSLETTER

November 22, 2024

Jeff Porter, City Manager

CITY MANAGER

CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED NOVEMBER 28TH AND 29TH FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY. IF THERE IS A UTILITY EMERGENCY PLEASE CALL 620-326-2561



ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION

Electric department installing street lighting along south US 81 from underpass to Botkin.



FIRE DEPARTMENT

WELLINGTON FIRE & EMS

Fill the Ambulance TOY DRIVE

benefitting local foster children

DECEMBER 4 & 10
10AM-12PM

Wellington Walmart
2022 E. 16th St.
Wellington, KS 67152

Accepting any unwrapped toys for ages 0-12. Big wish list items are trucks, dinosaurs, RC cars, science kits, baby dolls, Barbies and sensory toys (playdoh, finger paint, fidget toys).

Also accepting new clothes sizes 3T to adult large especially hoodies and sweatpants. Socks are always welcome.

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Holiday Cooking Tips

- Stay in the kitchen while cooking on the stovetop and check frequently
- Supervise children and pets.
- Use caution around steam. Steam can cause 2nd and 3rd degree burns
- Check your smoke alarms
- If you have a fire- DO NOT use water to put it out. Use a fire extinguisher.
- Never move a burning pan! Cover the pan with a lid or larger pan. Turn off the burner and wait until the pan has cooled before removing.
- If you have an oven fire, keep the door closed and turn off the oven. Keep the door closed until the oven has fully cooled.



PUBLIC WORKS

Public Works Staff (Josh Cooney, Jeff Ferguson) "spruced up" the shed/office at the Compost Site recently and made some very nice improvements including new siding/paint/electrical upgrades.



COMPOST SITE

KDHE conducted their annual on-site inspection of the Compost Site on Wednesday ~ November 6th. Their comments were very positive and there were no issues or concerns noted on the report. Compost Site Attendant Wes Bennett does an excellent job of monitoring the site and keeping it in great condition all season.

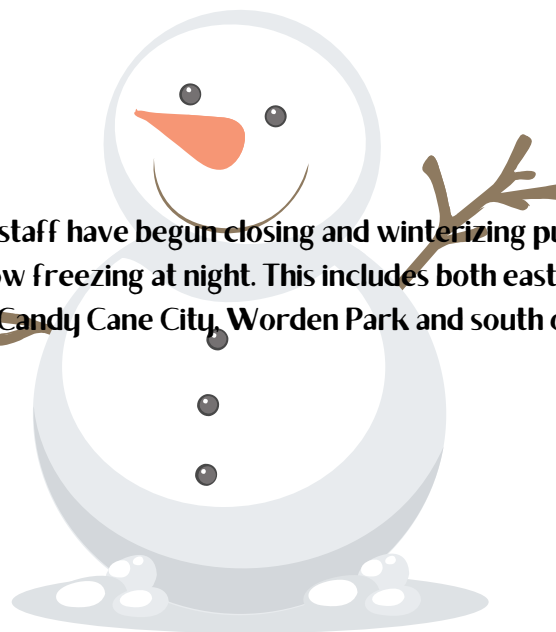


Adam Erber and Sean Clift (Street Dept) both received their 25 year Employee Service Awards this month. Congratulations and thanks for your dedication to the City!



Public Works employee Josh Cooney installed a dusk to dawn light in front of the Lake Office recently. This will be very helpful for Lake patrons using the drop box at night.

Lake and Park Department staff have begun closing and winterizing public restrooms now that temperatures are dipping below freezing at night. This includes both east and west shower houses at Wellington Lake, Candy Cane City, Worden Park and south of the Armory.



WATER DISTRIBUTION

PROVIDING OUR CUSTOMERS WITH SAFE, RELIABLE, AFFORDABLE WATER IS ONE OF THE PRIORITIES OF THE CITY OF WELLINGTON. WELLINGTON HAS A LONG HISTORY OF MEETING ALL REGULATORY STANDARDS, WHICH ARE FOUND IN THE ANNUAL CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT. YOU CAN FIND A COPY ON OUR WEBSITE WWW.CITYOFWELLINGTON.NET. AS PART OF THIS MISSION, WE WANT TO HELP KEEP YOUR HOUSEHOLD SAFE FROM LEAD. WHILE WE TREAT AND TEST THE WATER TO MAKE SURE IT IS LEAD-FREE WHEN IT LEAVES THE TREATMENT PLANT AND TRAVELS THROUGH THE WATER MAINS, SOME HOMES IN OUR COMMUNITY MAY HAVE LEAD IN SERVICE LINES, HOUSEHOLD PLUMBING MATERIALS, AND FAUCETS.

THE STATE OF KANSAS AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY TASKED THE CITY TO SURVEY THE COMMUNITY TO HELP WITH THE INVENTORY OF WATER SERVICE LINES AROUND TOWN TO ADDRESS POTENTIAL LEAD PIPE ISSUES. ALL PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY ARE WORKING TO CATALOG THE MATERIALS USED IN BOTH THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTIONS OF WATER SERVICE LINES. TWO ROUNDS OF SURVEYS WENT OUT TO CUSTOMERS ASKING FOR HELP IN THE EFFORT. ABOUT 15 PERCENT OF CUSTOMERS PARTICIPATED IN THE SURVEY. IF YOUR SURVEY WAS NOT COMPLETED OR SHOWED UNKNOWN MATERIALS YOU MAY HAVE RECEIVED A BROCHURE IN THE MAIL ALTERING YOU TO THE POTENTIAL FOR LEAD IN YOUR WATER SYSTEM.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE FOLLOW THE LINK TO THE ONLINE SURVEY. YOU MAY DO SO HERE: [HTTPS://WWW.CITYOFWELLINGTON.NET/NEWSVIEW.ASPX?NID=6665](https://www.cityofwellington.net/newsview.aspx?nid=6665)

WATER PRODUCTION

- STAFF HAS BEEN WORKING TO DIAGNOSE A FAULTY RIVER PUMP.
- STAFF HAVE BEEN COMPLETING OUR WINTER PREPS, REPAIRING AND PREFORMING MAINTENANCE ON HEATERS FOR THE INTAKE BUILDING, WELL BUILDINGS AND THE WATER PLANT.

WATER USAGE FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 16TH THRU NOVEMBER 21ST.

WATER TREATED- 6,300,000 GALLONS DAILY AVG. 1,050,000 GALLONS

WATER DISTRIBUTED- 6,048,000 GALLONS DAILY AVG. 1,008,000 GALLONS

LAKE LEVEL- 42 INCHES LOW

RIVER FLOW- 350 CFPS

RIVER PUMP- OFF (PUMP DOWN)

Scheduled Meetings

Tues Nov 26~Housing Authority Board Meeting 12:30PM
Tues Nov 26~ Planning Commission Meeting~ Cancelled
Thurs Nov 28~ Nov 29 City Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
Tues Dec 3~ City Council Meeting 6:30PM
Thurs Dec 5~ Memorial Auditorium Board Meeting 5:30PM