

NEWSLETTER

February 7, 2025

Jeff Porter, City Manager

CITY MANAGER



In October, the City Council approved a partnership with the Wellington Public Library Board to apply for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to improve facilities at the library. Governor Laura Kelly announced that Wellington is one of 24 Kansas communities receiving a share of nearly \$11 million through the CDBG program.

Planned improvements include ADA accessibility, elevator updates, and addressing conditions causing water damage to the building. The anticipated project costs are \$558,000, with the grant covering \$425,000 and the remaining funds from the Library.

AIRPORT

This is a Short Skyvan commonly referred to as a "The Flying Shoebox". These aircraft were used in smaller military applications as cargo and troop haulers.

This particular one is now used for skydiving due to its ability to operate on small runways and haul 20 skydivers per operation.

The pilot was flying the Skyvan from Chicago to Arizona to do skydiving runs for the week. The Skyvan only cruises at 170 MPH and has to stop every two hours for fuel so this cross country flight can take a long time. He stopped at the Wellington airport for fuel and then continued his long journey down to Arizona.



CITY CLERK

Each year, your friends and neighbors volunteer to serve the community on boards and committees of the City. Serving on a City board is an excellent opportunity for community members to contribute and impact the community. Currently, the City has opportunities for membership on the following boards and commissions:

Board of Zoning Appeals
Combined Trade Board
Health Care Authority
Land Bank
Library Board
Memorial Auditorium Board
Park Board
Planning Commission

Applications and information on these boards and committees are available at cityofwellington.net.

For questions, please get in touch with Heidi Theurer, City Clerk, via phone at 620-326- 2811., or email at heiditheurer@cityofwellington.net.

FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT

Fire Response

- Structures 22 \$480,725 Loss
- Vehicles & Other 71 \$84,860 Loss
- Rescue & Other 1,450 (Includes assist EMS)

EMS Responses 2087

- Transported to Wellington ER 685
- Transported Out of Town 455

No Civilian or Firefighter fire related injuries in 2024



WE ARE
HIRING

To view and apply for Employment Opportunities with the City Visit:

<https://wellingtonks.municipalzone.com/apps/jobs/default.aspx>

POLICE DEPARTMENT



March 27, 2025
6:30pm – 8:00pm
Wellington Public Library
121 W. 7th

Did you know that fighting like a girl is a really GOOD THING? The Wellington Public Library and Wellington Police Department are hosting. Fearless and Female Dress comfortable and experience an evening filled with fun, laughter and self-defense skills that will help you... BECOME YOUR OWN BEST PROTECTOR!

Only 30 spots available! Sign up today!

Register By Email:

acountryman@wellingtonpubliclibrary.org

'I want to register for class date 3-27-25'

UTILITIES

ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION

Crews from Electric Distribution are working on traffic signals at Harvey and US-81, the intersection may be intermittently congested while crews work to replace lights and cameras.

The City was awarded a grant by the Kansas Corporation Commission to upgrade the traffic and pedestrian signals serving this intersection.



Scheduled Meetings

Mon Feb 10 – Park Board Meeting 5:30 PM
Tue Feb 11 – City Council Work Session 6:30 PM
Mon Feb 17 – Airport Advisory Board 7:00 PM
Tue Feb 18 City Council Meeting 6:30 PM