

NEWSLETTER

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Explosions of color and light paint the sky at Martin Creek Park.

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 Anyone who completes the inventory will
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Independence Day

Community Picnic and Fireworks Show Coming July 3rd

The biggest and brightest event of the year happens on Wednesday, July 3rd at Martin Creek Park. Join your friends and neighbors for the annual Community Picnic and Fireworks Show!

Gates to the park open at 6 p.m. Fireworks will light up the sky at 9:45 p.m. Make sure to bring blankets, chairs and water bottles to enjoy a summer evening in the park.

There will be free burgers and hotdogs from Two Guys and Grill and free ice cream, while supplies last. The ice cream is sponsored by our friends at Central Bank of the Midwest.

Before the fireworks start, enjoy inflatables, a bubble show, face painting, and yard games. Kids may want to be prepared to get wet! All activities are free.

Commemorative t-shirts are available for purchase on the city's website at edgertonks. org/3rd-of-July. Shirts will not be available at the park.

This is one event that is sure to make you ooh and ahh! Come have a blast as we celebrate our nation's Independence Day with one of the best fireworks shows in the area!





Important Contact Information

JoCo Fire District #1......913-764-7635

Edgerton Post Office.....913-893-6784

Gardner Disposal.......913-856-3851

JoCo Library............913-826-4600

City Hall is located at 404 E Nelson Street. Hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

City Council meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of every month at 7 p.m. in City Hall.

Planning Commission meetings are held on the second Tuesday at 7 p.m. in City Hall.

Public Works

2nd Street/Edgewood Reconstruction

A major road reconstruction project is coming in 2025. East 2nd Street between Nelson and Co-Op Road and Edgewood between East 2nd Street and West 4th Street will be completely rebuilt.

This project includes new pavement, stormwater improvements, curbs and gutters, street lighting and sidewalks to improve safety for both drivers and pedestrians. Any area that is torn up by the construction will be restored to existing or better condition.

To make this project successful, city staff has started talking with individual property owners who will be impacted. These conversations address everything from driveway approaches to trees to easements. It is important that property owners who live along both Edgewood and East 2nd Street sign up for a time to meet with staff. You can sign up for a time by scanning the QR code below with your mobile device or by going to edgertonks.org/street-reconstruction.

If none of the options work for you, please either call City Hall at 913.893.6231 or message us through the City's Facebook page to arrange a time that works for your schedule.



Edgerton Food Pantry



The Edgerton Community Food Pantry will be open from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, July 20. It's located at the corner of 4th and Hulett, across the street from the United Methodist Church.

If you'd like to make a donation, you can drop non-perishable items off at City Hall during normal business hours M-F 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monetary donations can be sent to PO Box 95, Edgerton, KS 66021.

The food pantry is available to every family in the USD 231 district.

Governing Body

City Council to Host Budget Work Session on July 18

The Edgerton City Council will review the full 2025 budget during a special work session on July 18. Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting at 7pm in Edgerton City Hall.

The budget process began last October when Council members approved the five-year Capital Improvement Plan. Each spring, Council hears results of the prior years audit and receives requests for funding from outside organizations. Now, they'll hear the formal budget proposal from City Administrator Beth Linn.

"Staff budgets conservatively to make the most of every tax dollar," Linn says. "Our goal is to provide the best services possible for our residents while keeping the city in a strong financial position. We're excited for the future with The Greenspace opening next year, new homes bringing new families to Edgerton and more commercial growth expected along the Homestead Lane corridor."

The City of Edgerton will hold a public hearing on the budget on August 22 with final adoption of the 2025 budget set for September 12.

Know The Rules Around Fireworks

Fireworks are part of Fourth of July traditions for many families. The City of Edgerton wants residents to remain safe and follow the rules and regulations for setting off fireworks.

Fireworks can legally be set off within Edgerton City limits on July 3 between 10:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. and on July 4 from 10:00 a.m. until midnight.

Under municipal code, fireworks are not allowed to be discharged on public streets, sidewalks or alleys, within 1,000 feet of any school or City building, or in any public park. Do not throw fireworks at other people, animals or at vehicles. Bottle rockets and M80s are illegal in Kansas and extremely dangerous. The use or sale of these banned fireworks is considered a crime under Kansas law. It is also illegal in Kansas to shoot fireworks on or under any vehicle, within 50 feet of a fireworks stand or where fireworks are stored, and at gas stations or any place liquid gas – including propane – is stored.



To report firework violations, please contact the Johnson County Sheriff's Office non-emergency number at 913-782-0720. Have a safe and fun Fourth of July!



Greenspace Update: July

In early July, the sidewalk on the north side of Nelson will be completed followed by the south sidewalk completion later in July. In July and August utility connections will be made for gas, fiber internet, and water. We will see the south parking lot start to take shape in July. Throughout this summer and into fall, the interior of the building will start to really take shape.

From FD#1: Smoking and Home Fire Safety

The place where we feel safest - at home - is where most smoking-materials structure fires, deaths, and injuries occur. Smoking materials are the leading cause of fire deaths. Smoking material fires are preventable.

The risk of dying in a home structure fire caused by smoking materials rises with age. One out of four fatal victims of smoking-material fires is not the smoker whose cigarette started the fire.

If you have any questions, contact Johnson County FD#1 at 913-764-7635.

- If you smoke, smoke outside. Most deaths result from fires that started in living rooms, family rooms and dens or in bedrooms.
- Keep cigarettes, lighters, matches, and other smoking materials up high out of the reach of children, in a locked cabinet.
- Use a deep, sturdy ashtray. Place it away from anything that can burn.
- Do not discard cigarettes in vegetation such as mulch, potted plants or landscaping, peat moss, dried grasses, leaves or other things that could ignite easily.

SCAN ME TO FILL OUT **THE LEAD SERVICE** LINE **INVENTORY**



Have you completed your mandatory water service line inspection yet? We need your help to meet new federal EPA Lead and Copper Rule regulations.

Go to https://arcg.is/1Srm191 or scan the QR code to the left to submit your findings. You should have also received a form in the mail if you'd like to complete it on paper.

Everyone who completes the inventory by July 19 will be entered into a drawing for a \$250 Visa giftcard.

Events Coming Up

These are **just a few** of the recreation programs and events in July. Check out the full schedule and register for Parks and Recreation events at edgerton.recdesk.com or by calling 913-893-6231 during normal business hours.

Public Meetings are held in-person in City Hall. Anyone wishing to speak must sign up upon arrival.

- July 3 Community Picnic & Fireworks Show Martin Creek Park
- July 5 Animal Wonders Community Hall
- July 9- Planning Commission Meeting **Edgerton City Hall**
- July 11 City Council Meeting **Edgerton City Hall**
- July 13 Puzzle Palooza Community Hall
- July 17 Senior Lunch & BINGO Community Hall
- July 25 City Council Meeting **Edgerton City Hall**
- July 24 Dog Bite Prevention Class Community Hall



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