



Dwight City Council

The Dwight City Council met for the regular meeting at the Dwight Public Library on August 17, 2026, at 7:00 pm. Mayor Pam Goss opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present were Ashley Gearhart, Jamie Fetter, Adam Wiebe, and Peter Marquardt. John Traynor was not in attendance.

Also Present: Ken Bergeron, Ryan Taylor, and Andy Masenthin

2027 Budget Hearing: Councilwoman Gearhart made a motion to adopt the proposed 2027 City of Dwight annual Budget as presented. Councilwoman Fetter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Visitor Comments: Andy Masenthin discussed corrections to Ordinance #2026-1 regarding vacating an alley. Andy also discussed fence repairs needed at tennis courts.

Additions to Agenda: Possible survey of the city shop

Minutes: Councilman Marquardt moved to accept the minutes as presented for the July 20th, 2026, regular meeting. Councilman Wiebe seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Councilwoman Gearhart moved to accept the minutes as presented for the July 29th, 2026, special meeting. Councilwoman Fetter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Maintenance Manager Report: Manager Ryan Taylor provided a written report.

Water Manager Report: Manager Ryan Taylor provided a written report.

City Clerk Report: Clerk Ken Bergeron provided a written report and financials. Ken reported the delinquent accounts have all made at least a partial payment.

Review and Bills: Councilman Marquardt moved to approve the unpaid bills as presented. Councilwoman Gearhart seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

New Business: Council discussed the possibility of completing a property survey at the city shop. This was tabled until further discussion with the City Attorney.

Old Business: Councilwoman Gearhart made motion to accept the corrected Ordinance No 2026-1A as presented. Councilman Marquardt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Councilwoman Gearhart moved to Accept the bid from Mayor Specialty Services, LLC for work on Lift station in the amount of \$42,700.00. Councilwoman Fetter seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0

Open Forum: Councilwoman Gearhart discussed asking the City Attorney to attend one meeting each quarter. Mayor Goss will contact Ben Oleen to discuss this with him.

Mayor Goss read aloud a letter to be mailed to A & J landscaping Tree Service regarding recent work they completed within the city limits of Dwight.

Adjournment: Councilman Wiebe moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:07 pm. Councilman Gearhart seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

The next regular council meeting was on September 21, at 7pm, at the City Library.

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Alexis Brunkow

Model T Club to
meet October 8

The East Central Kansas Model T Ford Club will meet Thursday, October 8, at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Burlington public library. The library is located on Hwy 75.

The main entree and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish to be shared with the meal to be eaten before the meeting.

During the meeting the club members are encouraged to share information about working on and restoring their cars. In addition members will continue to make plans for day trips as well as hear a report from those members that attended an event.

Owning a Model T is not a requirement. All meetings are open to the public, please feel free to attend, we'd love to have you.

Just a reminder for members -- please bring your white elephant gifts for the Christmas party bingo Saturday, December 12. Please wrap your gift(s).

Braves win 69-6

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ing one tackle for loss. Reddick said McDuffett's performance increased his career total to 216 tackles, moving him past 2025 All-State safety Hayden Buttrey for the most career tackles by a defensive back in Council Grove school history.

Reid Buttrey finished with seven tackles, including one for loss. Stohs, Dillon McDuffett, Samuels and Doornbos recorded six tackles each.

The defense finished with eight tackles for loss, seven quarterback hurries, one sack and two interceptions.

In addition to Stockwell's interception return, Stewart intercepted a Minneapolis pass and returned it 16 yards. Stockwell also recorded three quarterback hurries and shared a sack with Maddox Ziegler.

Carter Bremer converted nine of 10 extra-point attempts. He also handled 11 kickoff for 446 yards, including one touchback.

Through four games, Council Grove is averaging 54.8 points and 338 yards of offense per game. The Braves have scored eight non-offensive touchdowns — three defensive touchdowns and five return touchdowns.

Council Grove has also built a plus-nine turnover margin, forcing 10 turnovers while committing only one.

The offensive line has not allowed a sack through the first four games, while the Braves are averaging 7.9 yards per rushing attempt. Council Grove has completed 71.2% of its passes and is averaging 4.56 points per offensive possession.

The Braves will return home Friday, Oct. 2, to host the Marysville Bulldogs. Both teams enter the game 1-0 in district play.

Kobach orders end
to voter registration
incentives to students

A voter registration effort that offered \$5 gift cards to high school students has prompted action from Kansas Attorney General Kris Kobach.

The issue arose after Rep. Pat Proctor, R-Leavenworth, chairman of the House Elections Committee and a candidate for Kansas secretary of state, called for an investigation into the League of Women Voters of Leavenworth County. The organization held voter registration drives at Lansing and Leavenworth high schools in May.

Photos posted on the organization's Facebook page showed students registering to vote and holding Starbucks gift cards. A sign displayed at the registration table stated that students who registered to vote would receive a \$5 Starbucks gift card.

On Friday, Kobach issued a cease-and-desist letter to the Leavenworth County chapter and the League of Women Voters of Kansas, directing them to stop offering cash, gift cards or other items of value in exchange for registering to vote. His office also referred the matter to the U.S. attorney in Kansas for investigation.

Federal law prohibits paying or offering to pay someone to register to vote or cast a ballot in elections involving federal candidates. Violations can carry penalties of up to five

Kay's Quixotry

"Quixotry" (pronounced KWIK-suh-tree) (noun) A wild, visionary idea, unpredictable, an eccentric notion or act; a quixotism.

By Kay Roberts
Children's Prayers:

•Dear God: This is my prayer. Could you please give my brother some brains. So far he doesn't have any. Angela, 8
•Dear Lord: Thank you for the nice day today. You even fooled the TV weather man. Hank, 7
•Dear God: Please help me in school. I need help in spelling, adding, history, geography and writing. I don't need help in anything else. Lois, 9
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Somehow, our 27th President William Howard Taft became associated with an embarrassing incident around getting stuck in a bathtub. While it's true that he was larger in stature, weighing in at 350 pounds, he never had to be rescued from a tub.

That said, there is a reason he's associated with baths. During his presidency, a super-sized porcelain tub

that was 7 feet long, 41 inches wide, and a ton in weight was installed in the White House. It was so massive that four grown men could fit inside. One evening he filled a tub at a hotel in Cape May, New Jersey, a little too high and when he stepped into it, it overflowed to the point that the guests in the dining room below got a bit of a shower.

A bear became a corporal in World War II -- during World War II, members of the Polish Army's 22nd Artillery Supply adopted a bear cub named Wojtek. The soldiers looked out for him and even gave him the rank of a private. In 1944, Wojtek returned the favor, helping to move ammunition during the Battle of Monte Cassino in Italy. For Wojtek's service and bravery, he was promoted to the rank of corporal.

Queen Elizabeth I made black teeth trendy in the 1500s -- Queen Elizabeth I had a legendary sweet tooth, but unfortunately, all the years of eating sugary treats caused her teeth to turn black. Since the monarch was a major influencer of her time, other women decided to black out their teeth to copy their queen's smile. This weird history fact is definitely a case for being thankful for modern dentistry and toothpaste.

Myth: George Washington had

wooden teeth -- cherry tree aside, one of the most chewable facts is that the nation's first president had a mouth full of wooden teeth. While it seems like an odd story to be linked to the founding father, a deeper dig gets to the root of the issue. Washington did indeed have terrible teeth, so much so that he had multiple dentures made. Those mouthpieces were made out of ivory, gold, lead, and even human teeth, but never any wood. Wood was not used by dentists at the time, because not only could wooden dentures cause splinters, but wood is also susceptible to expanding and contracting due to moisture -- not ideal for something that lives in your mouth.

A Jiffy is a real unit of time -- for a term that seems so cutesy, the literal use of "jiffy" is extremely scientific. Physicists use the term to describe how long it takes for light to travel a millionth of a millionth of a millimeter, which is less than a billion-billionth of a second. A jiffy is a little longer in electrical contexts; it's the length of a single cycle of alternating current, or about one-fiftieth of a second.

Church signs:
• Some people forget how to pray until the cop makes a U-turn!
• Jesus said "I'll be back" way before Arnold did.

USPS Operation Santa -
blessing since 1912

The U.S. Postal Service has opened its 2026 Operation Santa program, giving children and families across the country an opportunity to send their holiday wishes to Santa -- and giving others a chance to help fulfill those wishes.

This marks the 114th year of USPS Operation Santa, which began in 1912 when Postmaster General Frank Hitchcock authorized local postmasters to open letters addressed to Santa and allow postal employees and members of the public to respond.

Letters are now being accepted from residents of the continental United States, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. To participate, letters should be addressed to:

Santa Claus
123 Elf Road
North Pole, 88888

Letters should include the writer's first and last name and a complete, clearly written return address, including an apartment number when applicable. The return address should also be included on the letter itself. A First-Class Mail stamp must be placed on the envelope.

USPS recommends that writers be specific about their wishes. For example, requests for clothing should include sizes, while requests for books, games or other items should include titles or other details that could help an adopter select an appropriate gift. Letters should be kept flat, as glitter, beads, macaroni and other glued-on decorations can interfere with the process of uploading letters to the Operation Santa website.

Alta Vista Alumni

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ery, Pat (Ramsour) Schneider, Eileen (Hoch) Joy Smith, Rita (McDuffett) Swenson, Steve (Kathy) Woelk;
1967 -- Gary O'Neill, Sheldon Smith; 1968 -- Gloria (Joy) Smith; 1969 -- Gene (Dixie) Brabb, Bob (Sara) Haffener; 1970 -- Tim (Karen) Marlar; 1972 -- Jonathon Wiens; 1973 -- Earl (Connie) Kuhn, Greg Marlar; 1976 -- Lori (Frese) McDuffett; 1982 -- Terry TenEyck, Cindy Ziegenhirt; Doug (Tammi) Brabb, Randy Brabb; Guests -- Dennis Quinn, Janice Swallow



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