Rolla-Richfield-Dermot

by Phoebe Brummett



Kim Hull. *Photo courtesy of Finney County EMS Facebook page.*

Kim Hull celebrates one year with Finney County EMS

Kim Hull, resident of Morton County, has received special recognition this week from the Finney County EMS. The following announcement was posted to the Finney County EMS Facebook page.

Kim Hull has a special connection to the Finney County department, having previously served with Finney County EMS before returning to the team. Her experience, knowledge and familiarity with our community have made her a valued part of our EMS family.

They are grateful for the dedication and care Kim brings to the job and to the people they serve. Whether responding to calls, supporting her fellow crew members or helping provide quality care to the community, Kim continues to make a difference every day.

Please join us in congratulating Kim on one year back with Finney County EMS.

Kansas Beef Council announces free BQA trainings for fall 2026

The Kansas Beef Council (KBC) has released dates for three, free Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) trainings across Kansas this fall as part of its continued commitment to cattle well-being, beef quality and food safety.

BQA certification will be led by Dr. A.J. Tarpoff, DVM, K-State, and will provide producers with current practices and information on BQA certification requirements. A beef dinner will be served at 6 p.m. with training to follow.

Fall 2026 training dates and locations include:

- November 4, Pratt, KS | Pratt County Fairgrounds
- December 15, Mankato, KS | Mankato Livestock Inc.
- December 17, Sublette, KS | Haskell County Extension

"These BQA trainings not only keep producers up to speed on current industry issues, but they also are a great review of research-based best management practices for producers to utilize on their path of continuous improvement," K-State Beef Extension Veterinarian, A.J. Tarpoff said. "Not only will you walk away with some practical information, but these meetings are also a great opportunity to visit with your friends and neighbors. Nothing beats our beef producer community. I look forward to interacting with and hearing from all the attendees during this series."

To register for the free events, please email Weston Schrader, Manager of Industry Relations at weston@KansasBeef.org or call 785.273.5225.

For more information about KBC and its programs, visit www.kansasbeef.org.

KDHE announces the Second Round of RHTP Grant Opportunities

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) posted Request for Applications (RFA) for two grant opportunities under the second year of the Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) in Kansas. The application period for the Regional Partnership Grant Program (RPGP) and the Transformative Capital Investment Grant Program (CAP) opened Friday October 2, 2026, to eligible Kansas providers.

Applications for both the RPGP and CAP grants are due November 13, 2026.

The $44 million RPGP grant enables eligible providers to participate in collaborative arrangements that promote preventive health care and address the root causes of disease, enhance rural providers' efficiency and sustainability, attract and retain a highly-skilled health care workforce, spark growth of value-based care models, and foster the use of innovative technologies. The CAP grant makes $11 million available to help providers invest in transforming how they serve their communities.

"Building a strong rural health care delivery system that reaches the most vulnerable Kansans is fundamental to the health and well-being of the state," Kansas Department of Health and Environment Secretary Janet Stanek said. "This funding will build on the progress rural providers have already made in the first year to support continued improvements in care delivery and help create lasting benefits for Kansans across the state."

Eligible providers include Kansas hospitals, physician practices, solo practitioners, rural health clinics, federally qualified health centers, local health departments, Native American Sovereign Tribal health care facilities, certified community behavioral health clinics, licensed substance-use disorder facilities, and licensed long-term care facilities located in rural areas.

Detailed submission and restriction information, along with the official RFAs for the grants, have been posted on the Kansas RHTP website. KDHE will host an informational webinar for interested parties October 9, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Eligible providers should register for the webinar.

The RHTP is a national $50 billion commitment to improve the health and well-being of rural communities across the country.

KDHE's implementation of its RHTP initiatives will pursue an approach that is both expeditious and effective, directing targeted resources to high-need areas throughout the state, with a focus on sustaining critical, high-quality healthcare access and services for rural Kansas.

To learn more about KDHE's commitment to protecting and improving the health and environment of all Kansans through the RHTP visit: Rural Health Transformation Program | KDHE, KS.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING FEE SCHEDULE FOR FOREWINDS GOLF COURSE.

WHEREAS, the Hugoton City Golf Course Board believes it is important to adopt and update a fee schedule for the Forewinds Golf Course; and

WHEREAS, the Hugoton City Golf Course Board has developed a fee schedule for the Forewinds Golf Course and requests and recommends that the Fee schedule be adopted and approved by the Governing Body of the City of Hugoton; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Hugoton also believes that a Fee Schedule should be formally adopted.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Hugoton, Kansas:

Section 1. That the Forewinds Golf Course Fee Schedule attached and hereto and incorporated as if fully set forth herein is adopted and approved by the City Council of the City of Hugoton, upon recommendation of the Hugoton City Golf Course Board.

Section 2. All resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the City Council.

Adopted by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 5th day of October, 2026.

(SEAL)

/s/ Matthew Rome
Matthew Rome, Mayor

ATTEST:
/s/ Carrie Baeza
Carrie L Baeza, City Clerk

FOREWINDS GOLF COURSE FEE SCHEDULE

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP	MAY I - APRIL 30	
SELF		$320.00
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	MAY I - APRIL 30	
SPOUSE / CHILDREN UNDER 18 OR STILL IN HIGH SCHOOL		$420.00
JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP	MAY 1 - APRIL 30	
UNDER 18 OR STILL IN HIGH SCHOOL		$100.00
PRIVATE CART STORAGE	AUG 1 - SEPT 30	$250.00
PRACTICE RANGE MEMBERSHIP	MAY 1 - APRIL 30	
WITH ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP		$80.00
WITHOUT ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP		$150.00
DAILY GREEN FEES		$20.00
CART RENTAL		
9 HOLE		$15.00
18 HOLE		$25.00
PRACTICE RANGE		
SMALL BUCKET		$5.00
LARGE BUCKET		$8.00

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ORDINANCE NO. 867

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-105 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF HUGOTON, KANSAS, REGARDING THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS BY ALLOWING CERTAIN ANIMALS NOT PREVIOUSLY ALLOWED IN THE CITY LIMITS.

WHEREAS, it has been determined that certain animals should be allowed in the City of Hugoton which have not been previously allowed; and

WHEREAS, Chapter II, Animal Control and Regulation of the Code of the City of Hugoton should to be brought into harmony with Chapter XVI, Zoning and Planning of the Code of the City of Hugoton in regard to animals which are allowed in the city limits.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HUGOTON, KANSAS:

Section 1. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2-105. Section 2-105 of the Code of the City of Hugoton, Kansas, is hereby replaced and amended in its entirety as follows.

2-105. KEEPING ANIMALS.

{a) It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain or harbor within the city limits of the city any horses, cattle, swine, goats, sheep or any other livestock or domestic or undamesticated animal, other than:

(1) Chinchillas;
(2) Rabbits;
(3) Marmosets (only if ownership and keeping of the marmoset complies with all federal and state laws and regulations),
(4) Aquarium animals;
(5) Domesticated birds, customarily kept as pets except those fowl which are prohibited in the city limits as set forth in section 2-106 herein;
(5) Cats; or
(6) Dogs.

(b) For the purposes provided herein, the keeping and harboring of such animal shall not include the following:

(1) The temporary custody of such animal while held under the order of a licensed veterinarian for the purposes of treatment;
(2) Use in educational or vocational programs conducted by an educational institution accredited and certified by the State of Kansas; or
(3) While such animal is in the process of being transported by ordinary and customary means.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, it shall be Jawful to keep, maintain, and harbor those animals allowed (i) under permitted uses in R-L Districts and A-L Districts within the city limits, or (ii) for a use otherwise permitted under Chapter XVI to the Code of the City of Hugoton Kansas, including but not limited to those uses permitted under section 16-301.

(d) This section 2-105 does not in any way authorize the keeping of any animal that is:

(1) Venomous, poisonous, or otherwise dangerous to persons or domestic animals;
(2) A species prohibited by federal or state law or regulation, whether listed above or not;
(3) A designated invasive or nuisance species under applicable federal or state law or regulation;
(4) Kept in a manner that creates an unreasonable risk to public health, safety, sanitation, or neighboring property; or
(5) Unvaccinated or diseased.

Section 4. REPEAL. All parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its adoption and publication in the Hugoton Hermes, the official city newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY of the City of Hugoton, Kansas, this 5th day of October, 2026.

/s/ Matthew Rome
Matthew Rome, Mayor

(SEAL)

/s/ Carrie Baeza
Carrie Baeza, City lerk

CLUES ACROSS

1. Small Eurasian deer
4. Province in Northern Ireland
10. A major division of geological time
11. Broadway actor Lane
12. Canadian province (abbr.)
14. Human gene
15. Two
16. A notable one was "blue"
18. Utter repeatedly
22. Ring-shaped objects
23. Sullies
24. Occurs
26. Commercial
27. Near
28. Tools you may need
30. A pledge
31. They start the alphabet
34. Silk garments
36. Soviet Socialist Republic
37. Longtime mayor of Rio
39. Hot meal
40. A type of gin
41. Atomic #84
42. $10 bill
48. About ground
50. Medicine man
51. Seedless raisin
52. National capital of Albania
53. Appendage
54. OJ trial judge
55. European government entity (abbr.)
56. Bike parts
58. Friend to "Barbie"
59. Stretched to see or hear
60. Commercials

CLUES DOWN

1. Make up for
2. Baltimore ballplayer
3. Wages
4. International organization of countries
5. Engravers of gems
6. Declared as fact
7. One who steals
8. Jewelry
9. Hospital worker
12. Nonsense (slang)
13. Town in Galilee
17. Value
19. Alternative identity
20. Sheep in their second year
21. Town in Surrey, England
25. Appropriate to a time of year
29. Creative work
31. Recesses
32. Largely forested municipality in Germany
33. Rider of Rohan
35. Ancient symbol co-opted by Nazis
38. Pioneer
41. Scribe
43. Painted a bright color
44. Member of British nobility
45. "Pulp Fiction" actress Thurman
46. Helps people walk
47. Crest of a hill
49. People of southeastern Alaska
56. One's own device
57. The Mount Rushmore State



Congratulations
Aislee Austin
Good Luck at State.

from
The Hugoton Hermes
Kay, RoGlenda and Ruthie

