



# focus on fairway

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## **FAIRWAY CITY HALL NOW LOCATED AT 5240 BELINDER RD.**

Last month, the City of Fairway hit a milestone; City Hall moved into its (hopefully!) forever home. In the last 68 years, Fairway City Hall has moved its administrative offices five times. Over the years, numerous City Councils and appointed committees considered nearly all corners of Fairway, and even a few locations outside the City boundaries, for City Hall. Starting in late 2016 led by Mayor Wiley, the City negotiated a great deal to finally give Fairway City Hall a permanent home. Late last summer, renovations began on the Churchill building (previously Lucy Lynn Bakery) adjacent to the Fairway Police Station.

While little is known about the building when it was first built in the late 1940's, the new City Hall has a colorful history. In the mid-60's it was a food locker that customers could rent a locker for as little as \$14/year to keep their meat frozen! By the late 60's, the building had been converted into the Boy's Club of Johnson County. Staff found a 1971 advertisement for KESCO SALES, Inc., which was operating out of the building. During the 1980's, the building was a furniture store and when the business closed, the owners offered to sell the building to then Mayor Neil Peterson. Given the recent build of a combined City Hall/ Police Station next door, Mayor Peterson declined the offer. Afterward, the building would be home to Lucy Lynn Bakery until 2004 when the bakery closed and the building sold to Sally Hilkene who opened Churchill's by 2007.

Care was taken to keep as much of the building's character as possible as the City renovated the space to meet the needs and requirements for City Hall. The granite counters were repurposed from granite already on site; beams in the lobby/administrative area were preserved and the concrete floors have been restored. The City added an elevator to make the basement and second floor ADA accessible. Windows were added to increase the amount of natural light entering the space.



New City Council Chambers

One of the best features of the new City Hall will be a multiuse area that will be available to the public. When combined with the City Council Chambers, the multiuse space can accommodate up to 140-150 people seated. The Parks & Recreation Department is also looking at using the space for some exciting new programs. Feel free to drop in during regular office hours for a tour!

## **JOIN US AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, JANUARY 8th AT 7:30 PM**

Join us at the 7:30 p.m. City Council meeting on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> for the swearing in of the newly elected mayor and city council members. After the swearing in ceremony there will be a reception to honor former Mayor Jerry Wiley for his service and welcome newly elected Mayor Melanie Hepperly, Ward 1 Councilwoman Kelly-Ann Buszek, Ward 2 Councilman Dan Bailey, re-elected Ward 3 Councilman David Watkins and re-elected Ward 4 Councilwoman Tanya Keys.

# Staff/Staff

## Your City Council

Mayor as of Jan. 8th Melanie Hepperly  
Ward I as of Jan. 8th Kelly-Ann Buszek  
Jim Poplinger  
Ward II Gail Gregory  
As of January 8th - Dan Bailey  
Ward III Joseph Levin  
David Watkins  
Ward IV Adam Dolski  
Tanya Keys

## Phone Numbers

City Hall 262-0350  
FAX: 262-4607  
Police 911 (Off.) 262-2364  
Municipal Court 262-2364  
Fire 911 (Off.) 432-1105  
Public Works 722-2822  
Animal Control 782-0720  
Fairway Swimming Pool 722-3161  
Parks & Recreation 262-0350 x3  
Shawnee Indian Mission 262-0867

## Committee Chairpersons

Administration Jim Poplinger  
Police Gail Gregory  
Finance Melanie Hepperly  
Public Works David Watkins  
Flood Plain to be appointed in February  
Parks & Rec Tanya Keys  
Animal Control Adam Dolski

## City Departments

City Administrator Nathan Nogelmeier  
Chief of Police Mike Fleming  
Director of Public Works Bill Stogsdill  
Director of Parks & Rec. Brice Soeken

Fairway City Hall is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have inquiries pertaining to any City government issues, call 913-262-0350.

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*From the Mayor's Desk*



## Mayor's Letter

On January 8, 2018, I will officially end my term as Mayor of Fairway, Kansas. I will simply call the regular City Council meeting to order and witness our City Clerk Kim Young administer the Oath of Office to the Fairway citizens duly elected in the general election on November 8, 2017 – four City Council representatives and a new Mayor.

It will be a distinct honor and pleasure for me to surrender the gavel to Melanie Hepperly. Rest assured our beloved community is in good hands with Melanie at the helm. She is a most responsible and consummate professional who brings with her a wealth of life experiences and financial acumen that will benefit everyone. Melanie will responsibly lead Fairway into the future with the assistance of an astute, responsible and deliberate City Council; a stellar most-competent City staff; and, an outstanding Police Department.

It has been a distinct pleasure for me to serve the City of Fairway as your Mayor. I sincerely thank those who have long recognized and appreciated the quality of life we share here in Fairway and respectfully supported the efforts of City Hall to meet your expectations.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,

Jerry Wiley



## Mayor-elect

We, as a City, have accomplished a great deal during the past eight years. As the incoming Mayor, I would like to personally thank Mayor Jerry Wiley for his steadfast leadership and unwavering commitment to our wonderful City. Thank you, Mayor Wiley, for your time and energy. It has been a pleasure to serve alongside you. I look forward to continue working with you as the Shawnee Indian Mission becomes another jewel within our City.

It will be an honor to serve each and every one of you as your new Mayor. Thank you for giving me this opportunity. As I work with our new and existing Council members and our outstanding City staff, we will continue the progress of the last eight years and move forward with the dedication of keeping Fairway the wonderful and livable City we all enjoy.

Melanie Hepperly, Mayor-elect



# 2018 DOG LICENSING

The City would like to take this opportunity to remind residents that all dogs, including foster dogs, over the age of 6 months are required to be licensed annually with the City. Beginning on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> residents may renew their dog's tag in person or by mail with a **current rabies certificate** from a licensed veterinarian. If renewing by mail, include a **self-addressed stamped envelope** with the rabies certificate and appropriate fee.

Fairway City Hall  
5240 Belinder Road  
Fairway, KS 66205

Make checks payable to the City of Fairway.

LICENSING FEES are as follows:

Neutered males & spayed females ..... \$ 5.00  
Unaltered males & unaltered females ..... \$25.00

Delinquent fees are added to each dog license.

DELINQUENT FEES are as follows:

1st month late fee: (beginning April 1).....\$ 2.00  
2nd month late fee: (beginning May 1).....\$10.00  
3rd month late fee: (beginning June 1).....\$20.00  
July 1st citations issued for failure to license.

If you no longer have a previously licensed pet or have questions, please contact City Hall at 913-262-0350 x 0 so that we may remove the pet from the database.

## MEET SCHROEDER - FAIRWAY'S 2018 TOP DOG!



Schroeder is a 4 ½ year old black and tan coonhound and basset mix and Fairway's 2018 top dog. His family posted on Facebook "Schroeder is our bud. Why would you want to read the newspaper when you could be playing with him instead?!"

Schroeder enjoys playing ball, chasing chipmunks and squirrels in his back yard, visiting his best pal and fellow black and tan coonhound, Junebug, on Alhambra, and long walks down the streets of Fairway. He may howl at your dog, but he only wants to make friends." So be sure to say "howlo" to Schroeder if you see him out and about the neighborhood.

## SNOW & ICE STORM REMINDERS

**AVOID ANY ON-STREET PARKING.** Parked cars create hazards for the snow plows and delay snow removal efforts on your street. During significant snow events, the Mayor may issue a "Snow Emergency" that prohibits any on-street parking and allows the police to tow cars parked on the street at the owner's expense.

### STORM DAMAGE BRUSH COLLECTION.

The Public Works Department will collect brush when City-wide storm damage is declared. This collection is for large storm debris that does not meet the regular yard waste collection guidelines.

**"Snow Emergency" or "City-wide Brush Collection" will be communicated via the City E-mail Program and Facebook.**

## Sign-Up for City Email Program

Visit [www.fairwaykansas.org](http://www.fairwaykansas.org) to register your email for targeted City information. Also, find us on Facebook. Simply log on to Facebook and do a search for "City of Fairway, KS" and "like" us.

If you have any questions please contact Fairway City Hall at 913-262-0350 x0.

## 2018 City-Wide Solid Waste Program serviced by WCA

WCA has been working on the rebranding from Town and Country Disposal and upgrading residential waste and recycling equipment. WCA has also worked to install RFIS chips in each cart that will allow WCA to monitor and confirm the date and time when carts were collected. Additionally, WCA has launched a new website [www.wcawaste.com/fairway](http://www.wcawaste.com/fairway) that is specific to the City of Fairway and will make it easier to view the collection guidelines and contact WCA with questions or service related issues.

Service day remains on Monday and there are no changes to the services offered. All carts and bins must be curbside no later than 6:30 a.m. on Monday of each week. Any missed collections from Monday are to be reported to WCA within 24 hrs (on Tuesday). If you continue to have collection issues please contact Fairway City Hall.



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## Chief's Corner

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Chief Mike Fleming

On behalf of the men and women of the Fairway Police Department, I want to wish everyone a great New Year in 2018. We all share in the responsibility for public safety and recognize the importance of community partnerships; your police department is committed to provide every resident with the quality law enforcement services they expect and are entitled to. The Fairway City Hall move will not impact police functions as our location will not change. I believe it will make it more convenient for all City business in the long run.

As the cold weather returns to the area and daylight becomes a premium please remember to be cautious of walkers, runner, and bicyclists. If you walk, run or bike, remember to wear light colored clothing, a reflective vest and a light to increase your visibility to motorists and walk/run facing traffic. Cold weather also brings the seasonal reminder not to leave your vehicle running (locked or unlocked) anywhere unattended. Auto thefts

can happen day or night in your driveway, the street in front of a house, outside a dry cleaner's or a convenience store.

I am proud to announce the Johnson County Mental Health Co-Responder Program, of which the Fairway Police Department is a partner, was awarded the United Community Services of Johnson County Excellence in Community Service award for 2017. A mental health co-responder is an employee of Johnson County Mental Health whose position is funded by a law enforcement agency, or a group of agencies in our case, whose sole duty is to work with individuals that have come to the attention of law enforcement. The mental health professional oftentimes responds with or meets law enforcement at the scene involving a mental health issue and begins working the case at that time. If an individual is transported to a local hospital for treatment or evaluation, the co-responder also goes which allows the officer to return to duty sooner. If needed, the co-responder will follow up to monitor the patient's treatment. The goal of the program is to provide mental health assistance where it is needed and, when possible, prevent arrests and jailing of individuals. The program has expanded throughout Johnson County and I am confident it will continue to succeed.

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