



The Basehor Quarterly

Bringing City of Basehor information to our community's mailboxes since 2022

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Message from Mayor Dick Drennon

Happy Spring, Basehor!

It has been so great getting to see all the trees and flowers in bloom! If you haven't already enjoyed one of our new trails, I invite you to enjoy them during the upcoming Basehor's Blooming festival.

Speaking of blooming, make sure to mark your calendars to join us on May 1st for the first Basehor's Blooming festival! We will have food trucks, a live band, petting zoo, foam party, and more. That will also be the day that we turn on the Splash Pad for season, I hope to see you all there!

Here in Basehor, we have so much to celebrate, and this spring and summer are going to be full of fun events for our entire community. From Arts in the Park, movies on the lawn, and monthly music nights, our Basehor Parks and Recreation department has been busy making sure there is something fun planned for everyone. You can read more about these upcoming community events in this issue of the *Basehor Quarterly*.

Next, I would like to take a moment to thank all our community members who came out on April 1st to celebrate the groundbreaking for the new Fareway Meat and Grocery store that is coming to Basehor! This 21,000 square foot facility will be Fareway's first full-service store in the state of Kansas. I am excited to share that they hope to have the store open by Thanksgiving! Just in time for holiday groceries!

We'll be sure to share more information once a ribbon cutting and opening date are set.

Lastly, I would like to take a moment to thank everyone who took the time to complete the 2025 Community Survey. I'm so excited to share that we exceeded our goal set for the number of responses and



the majority we received were incredibly positive. You'll be able to read more about the survey results in the next issue of the *Basehor Quarterly* and I would just like to once again thank everyone for providing their feedback. The City Council and I are now ready to get work on the areas our residents identified. I am so proud to be the mayor of Basehor and will continue to do my best to advocate for our residents.

I look forward to seeing you all out and about this summer as we enjoy these wonderful new community events and amenities!



Basehor's Blooming Festival

May 1, 2025

Basehor Civic Campus

4PM Activities Begin
6:30PM Splash Pad Opening
7:30PM Live Music

Petting Zoo

Caricaturist

Camel Rides

Children's Activities

Splash Pad Opening

Live Music

Hill Slide

Food Trucks

AND MORE!

Bulk Items Drop-Off



JUNE 7, 2025

1600 N. 158th St.

9 AM - 11 AM

(or until containers are full)

The City of Basehor will be hosting a Bulk Items Drop-off collection day for residents to dispose of their unwanted large and bulky items.

- Only 1 vehicle and/or trailer authorized per household.
- Must show proof of residency for the City of Basehor.
- Participants must be able to lift the items they intend to dispose of.

Prohibited Items:

- Chemicals/ Hazardous Waste
- Tires
- Yard Waste
- Construction Waste
- Appliances
- Electronics/ TVs

COMING SOON: Basehor City Park Trail Updates



The City was awarded
\$350,000
from the Kansas Department of
Wildlife & Parks for this project!

We are excited to share that improvements to the trails at Basehor City Park will begin in June!

The park will remain open while intermittent sections will be closed during the improvements.

Please note that all the park shelters will be closed and no reservations will be accepted while the trail improvements are completed.

The trail improvements will include replacing the current 6-foot-wide asphalt trail with a new 10-foot-wide concrete trail. Construction is estimated to be completed by the end of August.

We thank our community for their understanding and cooperation as we complete these improvements.



Parks & Recreation BULLETIN BOARD

3rd Thursdays



Free live
music,
every
third
Thursday
during
the
summer!

May 15 Denny and the Jets

June 19 Jenny Grace

July 17 Sarah Martin

August 21 Phil Vandel Band



CINEMA SUNDAYS

Basehor Civic Campus
Amphitheater

— 2nd and 4th Sundays —

JUNE 8 JUNE 22 JULY 13 JULY 27 AUG 10

**Pack your lawn chairs
and snacks and join us
for free family-friendly
movies under stars!**

ART IN THE PARK

JUNE & JULY
MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

Create your free account today at BasehorParksandRec.org to register for Art in the Park and to also receive first-access announcements of new and upcoming events and programs.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP

SATURDAY MAY 10, 2025 | 9 AM - NOON
2300 N. 158th St.



- 20-item limit per resident
- All items must be in 5-gallon containers or smaller
- No past or present business waste is accepted
- All items:
 - Cannot leak
 - Must have a lid/container cap
 - Must have a factory or identifying label on the container to identify contents

City of Basehor Staff Highlight: Officer Christopher Williams

How long have you been a police officer?

I knew from a young age that I wanted to be a police officer, since watching the historic movies about Wyatt Earp and Dodge City. I have been a police officer for 17 years. Before becoming a patrol officer, I served for 10 years in the Army as a military police officer.

How long have you worked for the City of Basehor and what made you select Basehor?

I have been with the Basehor Police Department for almost two years now. My family was looking to relocate to the Kansas City area and when I met Basehor's chief of police and the other officers – it felt right and like joining a family. I love working with our guys and gals and just the teamwork that everybody shows.

What is your favorite part about your job?

My favorite part of working for the Basehor police department is getting to serve, meet, and interact with the community that my family calls home. My motto that I tell everyone is: "Buckle up, drive safe, and slow down." I have become known as the "traffic cop" as I have completed 263 traffic stops. However, I have only issued 40 tickets. When I pull someone over for going above the speed limit, I prefer to use the opportunity to interact and educate them on the importance of driving safely versus just handing out tickets. I hope it helps to let our community know that I care about them and their safety.

We have had a lot of new projects completed or currently in the works for Basehor. What has been one of your favorite projects?

I especially like the trails. As a patrol officer, I get to see everybody out and enjoying the trails and parks, walking their dogs, and getting exercise. It has been great to see the trails getting everyone together and enjoying the outdoors.



Pictured is Officer Chris Williams with his children, (left to right) Kyle, Christopher, and Jamie.

CODES COMPONENT

It's Springtime! Grass and weeds are growing strongly, trees are bearing leaves, and the birds are singing away. We would like to give a kind reminder that property owners are responsible for ensuring lawns/yards/lots are maintained and do not exceed a height of 12 inches, including vacant lots. This extends to the street in most cases. Let's also not forget that your property has gone through a harsh winter season and NOW is the perfect time to start working on exterior property maintenance items such as siding repair, caulking, painting, fence maintenance, etc. For those that need a hand-up with some assistance, the City of Basehor has created a matching grant program for those that qualify. For more information, please contact Terry Gall at City Hall

Chief's Corner

I do not usually weigh in on traffic issues, but it has come to my attention that some of our motoring public has either forgotten or completely disregarded the stop sign on our school buses when it is extended.

This is a traffic infraction but more importantly it is dangerous for all parties involved. As the Chief and as a grandparent I am asking all of you to slow down, be mindful of the buses and remember that nothing could be more important than a child's life.

As warm weather starts to become the norm, let's all remember to be aware of the children in our neighborhoods that will surely be out in force



The crime statistics displayed are for the first quarter in 2025!



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Events Calendar

May 1, 2025: Basehor's Blooming Festival

May 10, 2025: Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup

June 7, 2025: Bulk Items Drop-off

September 17, 2025: Mayor's Golf Tournament

City Council Regular Meetings and Work Sessions:

2nd and 4th Wednesdays Monthly

Planning and Zoning Commission Meetings:

2nd Tuesday Monthly

For the most up to date calendar of events, including community events and special meetings, please visit our website at www.cityofbasehor.org and see the City Calendar.

Events

ADDRESSING AREA



Website: www.cityofbasehor.org
Facebook: @cityofbasehor
Instagram: @cityofbasehor
Twitter: @cityofbasehor

Did you know you can sign up for email or text alerts from the City of Basehor about upcoming projects or events happening in the community? Please visit our website at www.cityofbasehor.org and select the option "I want to... Sign up for Notifications."

Have questions? Please contact City Hall at 913-724-1370 or info@cityofbasehor.org

Survey feedback? Please use this QR code to take our Newsletter Survey



Survey Feedback

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Notices and Ordinances Published on the City's Website

Approved Resolutions and Ordinances since Feb. 12, 2025:

- Ord. 943: Amending Chapter 1 of the City Code by adding Provisions Governing Investigation, Determination and Abatement of City Code Violations
- Ord. 944: Amending Chapter 22, Art. III, Div. 1 of the City Code Regarding Motor Vehicle Nuisances
- Ord. 945: Amending Chapter 22, Art. III, Div. 2 "Administration and Enforcement" of the City Code and Repealing Certain Provisions
- Ord. 946: Amending Chapter 38, Art. II, Div. 2 "Trees and Shrubs" of the City Code
- Ord. 947: Authorizing and Providing for the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025-A, of the City of Basehor, KS; Providing for the Levy and Collection of an Annual Tax for the Purpose of Paying the Principal of and Interest on Said Bonds as They Become Due
- Ord. 948: Levying Special Assessments on Certain Property to Pay the Costs of Internal Improvements in the City of Basehor, KS
- Ord. 949: Amending City's Traffic Schedule, in Accordance with Section 44-5 of the Basehor City Code
- Ord. 950: Authorizing the issuance of its Special Obligation Revenue Bonds Series 2025 for the Purpose of Financing Certain Costs Relating to the Improvements District
- Ord. 951: Updating the Municipal Equipment Reserve Fund
- Resolution 2025-02: Prescribing the Form and Details of and Authorizing and Directing the Sale and Delivery of General Obligation Bonds
- Resolution 2025-03: Granting to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, A Contract Franchise for the Provision of Telecommunications Services in the City of Basehor
- Resolution 2025-04: Granting to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, A Contract Franchise for the Provision of Telecommunications Services in the City of Basehor
- Resolution 2025-05: Granting to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, A Contract Franchise for the Provision of Telecommunications Services in the City of Basehor

To view the posted notices and ordinances, visit the City's website and from the menu, select "Government... Public Documents."