



# The Basehor Quarterly

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## Message from Mayor Dick Drennon

Happy 2026, Basehor!

And what a great year it is shaping up to be! I would like to begin by thanking everyone who helped my wife, Debbie, and I make the holidays special for some deserving children in our community.. Thanks to the combined efforts from our Basehor Police Department and the local schools, we were able to purchase Christmas presents for 31 students whose families were identified as needing assistance. I could not be more appreciative of the generosity shown by everyone who helped with this huge undertaking, and it was such a joy to get to spread Christmas cheer to these deserving children.



## BASEHOR STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

Mayor Dick Drennon invites you to the annual State of the City Address.

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

11:30 A.M.

**Falcon Lakes Clubhouse**  
4605 Clubhouse Dr.  
Basehor, KS 66007

Tickets will be available soon. More information on how to purchase tickets will be shared on the City's social media and website.

Seating is limited. The City will also livestream the presentation via the City's Facebook page

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The presents were able to be purchased through the Mayor's Charity Fund that I established in 2022 to assist local charities. The Mayor's Charity Fund is solely generated by revenues created through fundraising, such as the Mayor's Golf Tournament. I look forward to hosting the tournament again this year to continue to be able to help our community.

As spring is right around the corner, I am very excited to take this opportunity to remind everyone that the Civic Campus fishing pond is now open for catch and release fishing! We are very proud to offer this beautiful site to our community and please be on the lookout as we are starting to plan some fun community events at this great location, starting with a kids' fishing derby on June 6!

We can't wait for the weather to fully warm up and we will once again welcome our community members to movies and concerts in the park this summer. You can learn more about the dates and activities in this issue.

Speaking of upcoming events, I am also excited to announce the date of the 2026 Mayor's State of the City Address: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at Falcon Lakes Clubhouse. Tickets for the State of the City Address will be available soon and details on how to purchase tickets will be shared on the City's social media and websites.

I look forward to seeing you and your families at these great community events we have coming up!

# 158th St. and Parallel Road Project Update

On. Dec. 23, 2025 158th Street and Parallel Road officially opened to thru traffic.

The Kansas Department of Transportation has approved the general contractor to institute a winter shutdown. The contractor will continue to work in the area over the winter month – however, no roadway work will be completed during this time.

To promote continued safety, the sidewalks and trails in the project

area will remain closed. Please observe all safety signs and do not proceed on a sidewalk or trail beyond any signage indicating closures.

In early Spring, road construction will resume. Small segments will be subject to full closures, and the City will release the new phasing plan/schedule for those closures once they are determined.

The extended completion day for the project will not increase the project cost. As a reminder, the City received \$5.1 million in grant funding from the Mid America Regional Council (MARC) for these improvements. These grant



dollars were awarded through a competitive process.

We would like to thank the community for their patience during this time, as we work to bring these roadway improvements to Basehor.

## CODES COMPONENT

Property maintenance plays a vital role in keeping our neighborhoods safe, healthy, and welcoming. Well-maintained homes and businesses help prevent hazards such as pest infestations, fire risks, and structural deterioration, while also preserving property values for everyone in the area. Simple actions—like keeping

grass trimmed, repairing broken fences, and removing debris—can make a noticeable difference.

As your code enforcement officer, I focus on addressing conditions that may impact public safety or quality of life. Common issues include overgrown vegetation, accumulation of junk or abandoned vehicles, peeling paint, unsafe structures, and improper storage of materials. These standards are not meant to be punitive, but preventive—helping property owners identify and correct problems before they become costly or dangerous.

By taking pride in property maintenance and responding promptly to code concerns, residents and property owners contribute to a cleaner, safer, and more attractive community. When we all do our part, we create neighborhoods that are not only compliant with local codes, but places we are proud to call home.

If you have any questions, please contact Terry Gall at 913-724-1370 or [tgall@cityofbasehor.org](mailto:tgall@cityofbasehor.org)

## Parks & Recreation BULLETIN BOARD



**FOOD TRUCKS**  
**LIVE MUSIC**  
**FOAM PARTY**  
**PETTING ZOO**

**NEW! MASCOT MAYHEM**

**MAY 1, 2026**

**3rd Thursdays Concerts**

May 21	Bree Morgan
June 18	Ronni Ward Band
July 16	Coming Soon!
Aug. 20	Coming Soon!

**Free family-friendly movies under the stars!**

Basehor Civic Campus Amphitheater | 2nd and 4th Sundays

JUNE 14	JUNE 28	JULY 12	JULY 26	AUG 9
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**JUNE & JULY**  
**MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS**



**KIDS' FISHING DERBY**  
**June 6**

18+ Only

More details coming soon!

**GRAND SLAM of GOLF-iSh**  
**June 20**

18+ Only

**Candlelight Dinner & Concert**  
**Sept. 3**

18+ Only

# Paving for Progress & Streets Improvement Schedule:

Following the election on Nov. 4, 2025 the citizens of Basehor voted to approve a .5% special citywide sales tax for roads. Collection of the sales tax will begin on April 1, 2026 and includes a 10-year sunset.

Proceeds from the .5% special sales tax are estimated to generate \$7.1 million to fund the Paving the Progress roadway plan. that will provide maintenance to all City streets within 8 years.

In January 2022, the City's Governing Body authorized the

inventory and assessment of all Basehor streets to create a long-term maintenance and improvement plan to support current infrastructure as well as accommodate future growth.

An online interactive map is available to view when each Basehor street will receive maintenance as well as the type of maintenance that is scheduled. To learn your when your street is scheduled for maintenance, scan the included QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/4m7xutf>.

We would like to sincerely thank all our community members who took the time cast their vote.



## Staff Highlight: Arron Burns

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

I have worked for the City of Basehor's Municipal Services Department for 4 and a half years.

What is your favorite part about the job?

Working for the community that I live in and being able to better the City of Basehor.

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

It would be the splash pad because it's great for all the kids in the community and surrounding areas.

What is some advice you have for residents if they notice a safety or road concern?

If any residents have any concerns or safety issues, the best way would be to call or email City Hall at 913-724-1370 or [info@cityofbasehor.org](mailto:info@cityofbasehor.org). Then the concern will get dispatched directly to our Municipal Services Department.

## Chief's Corner

Hello, from your new Chief of Police Jeff Short!

It has been a remarkable start to my time serving the Basehor community as Chief of Police. I am grateful for the warm welcome and the strong support shown by our residents, businesses, and community partners. That support means a great deal to me and to the dedicated men and women of the Basehor Police Department.

Our department looks forward to continued engagement with the community. We are committed to being present, approachable, and ready to be called upon to proactively prevent

crime and to thoroughly investigate and solve criminal activity in Basehor. Public safety is strongest when law enforcement and the community work together, and we value those partnerships.

I also want to acknowledge the recent injury crashes along State Avenue. These incidents are concerning, and roadway safety remains a top priority. You should expect to see our officers very active and highly visible in this area as we work to reduce crashes and promote safe driving. We ask everyone to slow down, stay alert, and help us keep our roadways safe.

Thank you for your continued trust and support. It is an honor to serve the Basehor community.

## MEET THE NEW CHIEF

Join us for a community meet and greet with Chief Short. **FEB. 19. 2026**

**4 PM - 6 PM**





**City of Basehor**  
1600 N. 158th Street  
Basehor, KS 66007

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## Notices and Ordinances Published on the City's Website

Approved Resolutions and Ordinances since Nov. 12, 2025:

- Ord. 974: An ordinance approving the rezoning request PRZ-006-25 by Kansas Ave. Basehor Property, LLC
- Ord. 976: An ordinance approving the final plat for Grayhawk at Prairie Gardens – 7th Phase
- Ord. 977: An ordinance authorizing the levy of a one-half percent (.50%) citywide retailers' sales tax and related matters
- Ord. 978: An ordinance approving the rezoning request PRZ-008-25 by Ad Astra Basehor Property, LLC
- Resolution 2025-18: A resolution of the governing body of the City of Basehor, Kansas determining the advisability of issuing industrial revenue bonds for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction and equipping of the commercial facilities to be located in the City
- Resolution 2025-19: A resolution approving the waiver of building permit fees for Basehor-Linwood USD 458
- Resolution 2025-20: A resolution approving budget amendments for certain funds as authorized by Kansas statutes annotated
- Resolution 2026-PC03: A resolution making certain findings in connection with the project plan for Project Area #2 (Residences on the Boulevard) within the Basehor Town Center TIF District in the City of Basehor, Kansas

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

## Events Calendar

**March 10, 2026**

Annual State of the City Address

**May 1, 2026**

Basehor's Blooming Festival

**Feb. 19, 2026**

Community Meet and Greet with Chief Short

**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](http://www.cityofbasehor.org) and see the City Calendar.



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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](http://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](mailto:info@cityofbasehor.org)



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