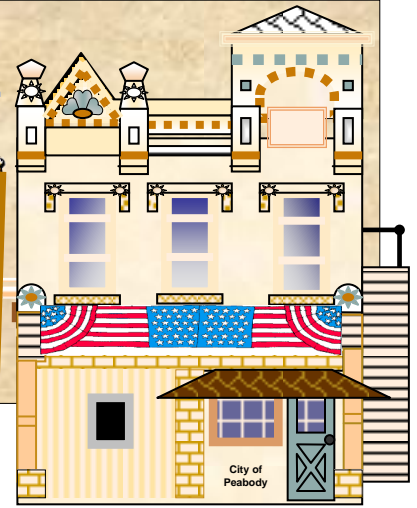


City of Peabody

MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER



JUNE 2013

Municipal Office

300 N. Walnut Street
Peabody, KS 66866

Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday
8:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m.

Telephone Number

620-983-2174

Fax Number

620-983-2786

Website

www.peabodyks.com

City Council:

Stephen Rose, President
Tom Schmidt
Pam Lamborn
Janice Woodruff
Tim Peterson

Mayor:

Larry Larsen

Council Meeting Schedule:

Regular Council Meetings:
7:00 pm

Monday June 10th

Monday June 24th

All meetings are open to the
public.

City Council Committees:

Water - Rose & Lamborn

Streets & Alleys
Lamborn & Woodruff

Sanitation - Larsen & Woodruff

Lights - Lamborn & Rose

Fire - Rose & Peterson

Park & Swimming Pool -
Schmidt & Lamborn

Building - Larsen & Woodruff

Finance & Ordinance -
Schmidt & Peterson

Economic Development
Larsen & Schmidt

Personnel
Larsen & Peterson

WATER PROBLEMS PROGRAM

If you are having water quality issues, please contact Peabody City Hall, 620-983-2174. If we don't know you have a problem, we can't address it.

Summer begins June 21st - It is also mosquito season.

You can help by treating areas on your property with ALTOSID briquets. They are free for utility customers of the City of Peabody while supplies last.

ALTOSID briquets are designed to control mosquitoes in small bodies of water such as storm drains, roadside ditches, fish ponds, ornamental ponds and fountains, animal watering troughs, septic tanks, abandoned swimming pools, tires, marshes, etc.

ALTOSID briquets provide up to 30 days residual control – continue treatment through the season. These briquets may be applied as a pre-flood treatment prior to wetting events; will be unaffected in dry down situations and will begin working again during subsequent wetting events until briquet is exhausted.

One briquet will treat up to 1,500 gallons of water in water depth of up to 2 feet. Or use one briquet per 100 square feet of surface area.

Visit city hall for your briquets and product information.



PEABODY CITY POOL

2013

May 26 - Aug 9

620-983-2801



Weekday Pool Hours

Mon – Fri 1-5 pm.

Weekend Pool Hours

Sat-sun 2-5 pm.

July 4th Pool Hours

11 am – 4pm

FREE SWIM DAY

General Admissions Fees:

\$1.50 – age 16 & under

\$2.00 – age 17 & over

Children 5 & under free w/
paying adult

Season Passes:

Family: \$80 for family of 4

(\$10 per person over 4)

Adult Pass (17 & over): \$55

Youth Pass (16 & under): \$40

2013 Spraying Schedule

June 4, 18, 25

July 2, 16, 30

August 13, 27

September 10, 24





**CITY OFFICE SERVICES
AVAILABLE TO OUR
CITIZENS**

FAX

\$1 PER PAGE – OUTGOING
\$.15 page INCOMING

Black & White COPIES

\$.15 per page, many sizes
available; color \$.35

NOTARY SERVICES

\$.50 per service



Scheduled shut off day
for this month is
Thursday June 27, 2013



Visit our website at
www.peabodyks.com

**2013 PET TAG
DEADLINE WAS
JANUARY 31st, 2013**



PRIVATE POOL PARTIES

can be scheduled for Friday
or Sunday between 5:00 &
8:00 p.m. or Saturday
between 1:00 & 8:00 pm. @
\$30 hr ONLY through Pool
Manager.

FREE FAMILY SWIM NIGHTS:

Family swim nights will be held on June 14th, June 28th, July 12th, and July 26th. On these Friday evenings, PBRC has rented the pool for family members to swim together FREE OF CHARGE from 5:00- 8:00 p.m. At least one parent, legal guardian or grandparent MUST accompany and remain with the children admitted into the pool.

FREE SWIM DAYS:

June 20th July 4th July 16th for residents living within the Peabody Burns school district USD 398

ADULT WATER AEROBICS:

Water aerobics session will begin Tuesday May 28, 2013 and Continue through Thursday, August 8, 2013. 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Cost is \$1.25 per session.

Nuisance Nonsense by Shane Marler

I recently received an email from a citizen concerned about a vacant property that borders their home. The property has been vacant for quite a while and the homeowner expressed frustration due to the property being forgotten by the owner. The yard is never mowed, there are limbs all over the show and the list goes on and on. This is incredibly frustrating for those property owners that have a thing called PRIDE. Pride in what is theirs, pride in their community. I shared the frustration of the homeowner that contacted me. I don't know what happened along the way, but it seems that the number of properties, both vacant and occupied, that fail to mow their lawns, pick up junk in the yard etc. seems to have multiplied in the last 10 years. Maybe my perception is skewed and my memory flawed. Was this a problem in Peabody 50 years ago? Ultimately, I am tasked with the ever so popular job of informing property owners that they have to mow their lawns or what have you. This of course is usually met with the usual rebuttal. I'll let you use your imagination and insert your own expletives. I am not a fan of our system for addressing these issues. If a property has a lawn that is in excess of 12" tall, the City of Peabody sends a letter to the property owner stating that the nuisance needs to be addressed within five days of receipt. If the lawn is not mowed within that time period, the City of Peabody will abate the issue a.k.a. mow the lawn for them. This comes with a hefty price tag of a minimum \$200.00. My problem with the system is that this fee, if not paid, ultimately is added to the property taxes of the residence. In most cases, not all, the owners that don't mow their lawn often don't pay their property taxes. If they do, it's often at the last minute. If the taxes are not paid, the property will ultimately be sold at a sheriff's sale for the back taxes. This happens after three years of delinquency. From the City of Peabody's perspective, that is a long time to wait to recoup the money we pay our employees today to mow someone else's lawn. That's like scolding a child and saying, "You're going to be grounded in 2016". What kind of incentive is that?

While I don't enjoy the task of telling people to take pride in their properties, I will, without exception. So for some of you, do us both a favor. For the rest of you, thank you for having pride in what's yours. You should be proud!!!



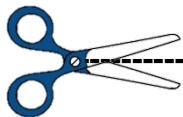
92nd ANNUAL 4th of JULY CELEBRATION

The Peabody 4th of July Celebration Society is making plans for the 92nd annual celebration. There will be activities all day long, a parade and a fabulous fireworks display at dusk.

If you would like to donate to help with the cost of the 4th of July Fireworks Extravaganza you may send your donation with your next water bill or mail it to us at:

**PEABODY 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION SOCIETY
PO BOX 74
PEABODY, KS 66866**

Thank you for your continued support!



***Please note special request or tributes below with your donation.**

I wish to donate \$ _____ to the ground displays

I wish to donate \$ _____ to the aerials

Name _____

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