



TOWN OF EDGEWOOD

Where the Mountains Meet the Plains

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To: Council

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Report on accomplishments and the status of projects of the Town of Edgewood since March 2008:

1. Public Safety: The police department has been established with 7 officers and a chief.
 - a. Cars are being purchased for all of the officers.
 - b. Radios are being upgraded to match the State Police and Santa Fe County.
 - c. A full set of SOP's was adopted, and some of those SOP's have been updated and are being reviewed by our attorney.
 - d. A full training and certification program has been implemented.
 - e. An Evidence Handling System has been established.
2. Road Maintenance:
 - a. A regular 2-week rotational maintenance schedule has been developed and implemented with the addition of another equipment operator,
 - b. The dust abatement program based up traffic volumes and budgetary constraints has been established.
 - c. A Bobcat, was purchased and is in operation.
 - d. The Road department was moved from rented private land to land owned by the Town.
 - e. The Town has taken over the maintenance of the new sidewalks and landscaping provided by the State DOT.
3. Animal Control and Shelter.
 - a. This program is successfully responding to the needs of the community by adopting out 100% of the adoptable animals taken in.
 - b. Euthanasia is only performed on un-adoptable animals due to poor health/disposition and represents less than 12% of the animal population taken in.
 - c. The Edgewood Animal Shelter locations are well maintained and properly sanitized regularly.
 - d. Pre-sterility is mandated prior to adoption and a low cost solution is available to the Citizens, who qualify, and the Town.
4. Accounting: New accounting software has been implemented, providing a much-improved capability for managing our funds.
5. Business Climate: A more lenient sign ordinance was developed and adopted.
6. Appearance of the Town:
 - a. The litter and blight ordinance was reviewed by Council and amended.
 - b. Roadside and Section 34 cleanups have been conducted twice a year as a part of the Clean and Beautiful campaign.
 - c. The new sidewalks and street lights have added character to the central

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commercial corridor and given the citizens a safe walk/bike area of over five miles.

7. Things for Kids to do:
 - a. The summer youth program (YES) was funded for a six week program, and is in operation at full capacity.
 - b. The Library's Summer Reading Program is in operation
 - c. The Library's Weekly Story Time.
 - d. Twelve Computers are available at our library, and many kids are using them. Many books are also being checked out from the library.
8. Special Events:
 - a. Annual Celebration: Plans by the Chamber of Commerce are under way for the 10-year anniversary Run, Rally, Rock and celebration of the Town's incorporation.
 - b. Wind Festival and Star Gazing events were a success with increasing attendance.
 - c. A limited amount of funding has been provided to other events.
9. Other Projects:
 - a. Wastewater Disposal: The disposal system and pond for the wastewater treatment facility is due to be complete in July 2009.
 - b. Wastewater Collection Lines: The construction contract will be awarded on July 1, 2009; construction is expected to take 180 days.
 - e. Roads: Significant improvements have been made to reconstructing Frost Road.
 - d. Library: The Town established a public community library and renovated space creating an attractive and visible location. The Town is able to serve a greater segment of the public and provides programs for children and adults.
 - e. Public Works Building: The acquisition and purchase of land is being actively pursued, and the building is being planned and designed.
 - f. Regional Animal Shelter:
 - i. The plan for a 10 million dollar facility was abandoned.
 - ii. A new modular plan is being planned and developed, and
 - iii. Land for this facility is being actively pursued.
 - iv. The infrastructure for the facility is in the planning stage and will be constructed this year.
 - g. Recreation Fields: Construction plans are ready to go out to bid.
 - h. Park
 - i. A basketball court was constructed
 - ii. The community center was improved with a more efficient heating and cooling system.
 - i. Municipal Complex on Section 16: The Council will consider funding and design options in the next few months.
 - j. Open Space and Trails:
 - i. Section 34 is regularly monitored for dumping and cleaned up as necessary. The Council has approved fencing of this area in the 2009/10 budget year.
 - ii. A 5k running trail is being developed is being developed on Section 34.
 - iii. In the 2009/10 budget the Council approved the development of a trailhead be constructed on the 30 acres owned by the County (COLPAC), just west of the Wildlife West Entrance.