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ensures they will continue to receive the meals they count on every day.”

According to a KWCH-TV story, Everfull Executive Director Charles Johnston said the decision was surprising. He told KWCH-TV that Everfull noticed in March it was going beyond its budget and reached out to

SCKAA about the possibility of a contract negotiation to bridge the income gap.

Per a story in the Eureka Herald, Everfull had distributed a letter to its employees back in May about funding shortfalls that could disrupt service as of July 1.

During Monday’s Kingman County commission meeting, Kingman County Council on Aging Administrator Anita Drake and Coun-

cil President Chad Osborn spoke to the commissioners about the council’s budget request for 2026. During discussion, they also touched upon the situation with SCKAAA and Everfull.

Osborn said he appreciated County Commission Chairwoman Julie Lyon updating people about the situation and said that meal service will continue for seniors.

“The program may not

look the same for everyone for a few weeks but just because the logistics and everything that has to go into it, but there will be something on July 1,” Osborn said.

He added that, while there may be some changes, things aren’t as bad they seemed.

Drake said that some of the information local news stations reported wasn’t accurate and that services will not be discontinued.

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patient needs to have a certain type of medication administered. In other instances, there needs to be a certified paramedic.

But Graffman said that Kingman EMS now has full personnel, so the hope is that EMS can get back to a normal scheduling pattern.

Councilman Sean Wallace mentioned those who had spoken to the city commission previously and that it’s not the first time this issue has been brought up.

Councilman Adrian Harrel said that the issue with transfers has come up many times, dating back to the late 1980s and early 1990s. He said it has come down to the same thing, that being the size of the service.

“For a service of our size, there’s gong to be a time when we’re not available (for transfers),” Harrel said. “There’s just no way to alleviate anything. The only way is to expand the service, hire more people.”

He added that it “rarely happens” when Kingman EMS is unable to do a trans-

fer. But that doesn’t mean that Kingman EMS is refusing to do transfers at all, he said.

“At the end of the day, it’s the hospital’s responsibility to cover transfers,” Harrel said. “That’s not to say that EMS would prefer not to do the transfers. They don’t become EMTs or paramedics to get rich. They become EMTs and paramedics because they want to take care of people.”

Harrel acknowledged that transfers do generate revenue for EMS and don’t involve insurance limitations, but that’s not the incentive

for EMS to do transfers.

“For anyone to say that EMS is not doing it because it’s a choice to not do it, it’s not that way and never has been that way,” he said.

In other business pertaining to EMS, the city commissioners approved a bid from Citizens Bank of Kansas for the lease-purchase of a new ambulance at a cost of \$287,368.50.

The terms would include a fixed interest rate of 463 percent for both 48-month and 60-month terms, plus a \$412.50 document preparation fee.

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in the paper and a hearing held. It would be similar to the current budget process, but “abbreviated,” Stegman said.

However, the county could account for the payment in its 2026 budget and have a transfer or expenditures that accounts for that \$1.5 million, Stegman said. She added that would be an easier process.

The county is set to re-

ceive half of that payment now that one wind farm is operational, with the remainder to be paid once the other one is operational.

County commissioner Jack Thimesch suggested that the county might start planning for how to account for the first \$750,000 payment in the 2026 budget, but hold off on the remaining \$750,000, in case the other wind farm isn’t operational by the end of the year.

During discussion about the 2026 budget, the county commissioners told Stegman they were comfortable with going with a 2.5 percent increase for all county employees. Stegman said she would go with that increase as she figures out the budget for the

coming year.

Stegman also discussed insurance premiums, noting that Blue Cross Blue Shield will be attending the next county commission meeting this Monday, June 23 to discuss the county’s self-funded health insurance program.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ORDINANCE NO. 2143 SUMMARY

On June 12, 2025, the City of Kingman, Kansas, adopted Ordinance No. 2143 which amends Sections 14-235 and 14-236 of the Code of the City of Kingman related to the operation of utility terrain vehicles (UTVs). The ordinance increases the maximum allowable speed limit for UTV operation on public streets from 30 miles per hour to 40 miles per hour. It also authorizes limited diagonal crossing of State Highway 14 (South Main Street) at two designated locations for the purpose of accessing or departing from the Riverside Park entrance, and only when no reasonable alternative route is available. Additionally, the ordinance clarifies that an Instructional Permit or other restricted or provisional license that does not authorize unsupervised driving does not satisfy the license requirement for UTV operation. Pursuant to K.S.A. 12-3007 this summary is certified by Cody Smith, City Attorney. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at www.cityofkingman.com or at City Hall, 324 North Main St., Kingman, Kansas.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-10

A RESOLUTION FIXING A TIME AND PLACE AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF A HEARING BEFORE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN, KANSAS, AT WHICH THE OWNER, HIS OR HER AGENT, LIENHOLDERS OF RECORD, OCCUPANTS AND OTHER PARTIES IN INTEREST OF STRUCTURES LOCATED WITHIN SAID CITY AND DESCRIBED HEREIN MAY APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY SUCH STRUCTURE SHOULD NOT BE CONDEMNED AND ORDERED REPAIRED OR DEMOLISHED AS AN UNSAFE OR DANGEROUS STRUCTURE.

WHEREAS, the enforcing officer of the City of Kingman, Kansas, did on the 19th day of May, 2025, file with the governing body of said city, a statement in writing that the structure, hereinafter described, is unsafe and dangerous.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF KINGMAN, KANSAS:

That a hearing will be held on the 14th day of August, 2025, before the governing body of the City at seven o’clock p.m., at Kingman City Hall in the commission chambers located at 324 North Main St., Kingman, KS 67068, at which the owner, his or her agent, any lienholders of record, any occupant and any other parties in interest, as that term is defined by law, of the structure located at:

LAKESIDE ADD-KINGMAN, S2 LTS 1-3, BLK 3 SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP 27 RANGE 07W,

More commonly known as 1023 Coronado, Kingman, Kansas.,

may appear and show cause why such structure should not be condemned as an unsafe or dangerous structure and ordered repaired or demolished.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk shall cause this resolution to be published and shall give notice of the aforesaid hearing in the manner provided by law.

Adopted this 12th day of June, 2025.

Jon Wollen, Mayor
(SEAL)
ATTEST:

Zachary Bieghler, City Clerk

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Newman University Announces 2024-2025 Spring Graduates

PRESS RELEASE

Newman University officials have announced the students who completed the requirements to earn a degree at the close of the 2025 spring semester. 2024-2025 graduates were honored during the university’s 108th commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 17, 2025, at Park City Arena.

Students from Kingman county are: Kingman, Hayley Hughes, BSN, Nursing, Magna Cum Laude; Spivey, Martha Oeding, MSed, Master of Science in Education.

OBITUARY

STEPHEN R. DARLING

Stephen R. Darling, 74, died June 9, 2025, at the Medical Lodge, Goddard.

He was born April 30, 1951, in Abilene, the son of Coe and Barbara Bowser Darling. A longtime resident of Kingman, he was employed by Southwestern Bell Telephone and Klaver Construction.

Stephen was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Survivors include his brother Ron; his sisters Melody (Noe) Ortiz and Joyce Hess. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Robert.

Funeral services were Monday, June 16, at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman. Interment was in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Kingman County Humane Society or the Wounded Warrior Project and both may be sent to the Livingston Funeral Home, 1830 N. Main, Kingman, KS 67068



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ORDINANCE NO. 2141 SUMMARY

On June 12, 2025, the City of Kingman, Kansas, adopted Ordinance No. 2142 which amends Section 7-302 of the Code of the City of Kingman to clarify that possession of fireworks that comply with Section 7-307 of the City Code is permitted within the city year-round, provided such fireworks are not used, displayed for sale, or otherwise handled in a manner prohibited by local ordinance. All other provisions of the fireworks regulations remain unchanged. Pursuant to K.S.A. 12-3007 this summary is certified by Cody Smith, City Attorney. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at www.cityofkingman.com or at City Hall, 324 North Main St., Kingman, Kansas.

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