



# TRUTH NEWSLETTER

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## **WELCOME to The Truth About Wagoner County**

We are here to provide vital information for all residents of Wagoner County so you'll have the Who, What, Where and Why.

County and municipality links to

- Public meeting agendas and minutes
- Elected Official contacts
- Financial data
- Important lawsuits
- What's going on in Wagoner County

Our Facebook page will include current and past important news and notices.

<https://www.facebook.com/wagcotruth/>

## **City of Coweta Breaks Ground On New \$8.4M Police Station**

John Dobberstein

COWETA — City leaders on Thursday celebrated breaking ground on a Coweta Police Department facility to help bring the city's law enforcement into the modern era.

Construction on the 12,800-square-foot police station funded through the One for Coweta sales tax initiative, is expected to be completed by spring 2027.

Located near 111th Street and Highway 51, the new station will be a significant upgrade from the department's current building, which is approximately 2,500 square feet and dates to the late 1930s.

When 1940 arrived, Coweta's population was only 1,455 but has since grown to an estimated 11,093 this year. The city's population has jumped 14.3% since the 2020 Census.

At an estimated project cost of \$8.4 million, the new station will provide expanded space and modern ...

<https://basentinel.com/coweta-breaks-ground-on-new-8-4m-police-station/>

## **City of Tulsa (Wagoner County) Project Anthem (Data Center) UPDATE:**

This past month new links for the Project Anthem Data Center were added to the Truth About Wagoner County website on the Municipalities page under the City of Tulsa section titled - "Wagoner County Board of County Commission meeting minutes along with an agenda and resolution from the LDARC upon which District 1 County Commissioner James Hanning was appointed". When you click on that link you will find a timeline of Project Anthem showing at exactly what Wagoner County Board of Commissioners meetings that Project Anthem were discussed or action taken. As well as what items were discussed or action taken at the Local Development Act Review Committee.

<https://thetruthaboutwagonercounty.com/municipalities>



## **UPDATE on City of Broken Arrow General Obligation Bond Vote (Proposition 8 Is A Sales Tax Increase)**

Broken Arrow OK's \$415M bond package, vetos sales tax hike for sports facilities

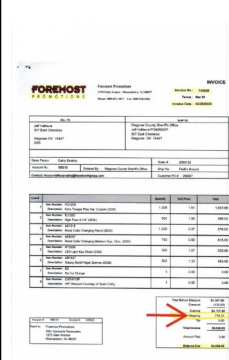
By John Dobberstein, Editor

Voters in Broken Arrow approved a record \$415 million general obligation bond package Tuesday that will expand the city's museums, parks and community facilities, further reshape the Rose District, widen major streets and address drainage and stormwater hot spots across the city.

But they soundly voted down Proposition 8, a request to increase the city's sales tax by 0.5% through 2031 to fund \$46 million in improvements to the Indian Springs, Arrowhead, Challenger and Nienhaus sports complexes.

<https://basentinel.com/broken-arrow-oks-415m-bond-package-vetos-sales-tax-hike-for-sports-facilities/>

## Questions Raised Over Unjustifiable Shipping Fees For Giveaways Using Tax Dollars



WAGONER COUNTY, Okla. — Newly reviewed invoice records are raising concerns about shipping charges tied to taxpayer-funded promotional items purchased by the Wagoner County Sheriff’s Office.

Documents from Foremost Promotions show multiple orders between 2020 and 2026 with shipping fees ranging from about \$190 to over \$770 per order. In several cases, shipping made up a significant portion of the total purchase—often between 15% and 30%.

Examples include \$778 in shipping on a \$4,936 order, \$682 on a \$5,025 order, and \$767 on a \$3,907 order. Smaller purchases also showed high ratios, including nearly \$300 shipping on a \$973 order.

The records indicate a consistent pattern across multiple years and purchase sizes. Questions remain about whether shipping rates were competitively evaluated, negotiated, or compared with alternative vendors. The documents can be found at the following link.

<https://thetruthaboutwagonercounty.com/f/unjustifiable-shipping-fees-for-giveaways-using-tax-dollars>

## Krueger vs. BOCC Lawsuit Heads to Summary Jury Trial

The federal case involving the Krueger lawsuit is now moving into a Summary Jury Trial, a significant step that signals the court is encouraging both sides to evaluate their positions before proceeding to a full trial.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

JOHN KRUEGER, Individually and  
as Co-Administrator of the Estate  
of Jeffrey Krueger, et al.,  
Plaintiffs,  
v.  
SHERIFF CHRIS ELLETT, in his  
Official capacity as Sheriff of  
Wagoner County, Oklahoma, et al.,  
Defendants.

Case No. CIV-21-044-RAW

**ORDER SETTING SUMMARY JURY TRIAL AND REGARDING RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR SUMMARY JURY TRIAL**

Please be advised that the above case has been set for Summary Jury Trial on **DECEMBER 17, 2025 AT 9:30 A.M. and continuing to DECEMBER 18, 2025 as required.** A Pretrial Conference shall be conducted at 8:30 A.M. on the first morning of the Summary Jury Trial.

A Summary Jury Trial is a streamlined, non-binding proceeding designed to provide a realistic preview of how a jury may view a case. Rather than presenting weeks of testimony, attorneys deliver condensed versions of their arguments—combining key facts, evidence, and limited witness testimony—typically within a single day.

A small jury is selected to hear these presentations and then deliberate on issues such as liability and potential damages. Importantly, the jury’s decision is advisory only. It does not determine the outcome of the case, and both parties retain their full right to proceed to a traditional jury trial if they choose.

The purpose of this process is to reduce uncertainty. In many cases, disputes persist because each side has a different expectation of how a jury will respond. A Summary Jury Trial offers a practical way to test those assumptions by providing real feedback from jurors.

For the Krueger case, this step may play a key role in shaping what happens next. If the jury’s advisory verdict highlights strengths or weaknesses for either side, it could lead to more productive settlement discussions and potentially avoid the time and expense of a full trial. If not, the case will continue forward toward a traditional courtroom proceeding.



Wagoner county will have several things on the ballot coming on Tuesday, June 16th.

- US Senator
- US Congress District 1 for western half of Wagoner County
- US Congress District 2 for eastern half of Wagoner County
- Governor
- Lt. Governor
- Attorney General
- State Auditor and Inspector
- Insurance Commissioner
- Labor Commissioner
- State Treasurer
- State Superintendent
- Corporate Commissioner 1 Seat
- State Senate District 36
- State House District 4, 8, 12, 13, 14, 23, 98
- County Commissioner District 1
- County Commissioner District 3
- County Assessor

If you don't know which of the State Senate District, State House District, County Commissioner District you live in you can go to this link below and type in your address in the to right hand corner and then once it shows your location then zoom out. Then click right by your location in the precinct that shows up and it will show you all of the information above.

[https://www.arcgis.com/apps/Embed/index.html?webmap=848f6e1b78fc4dd5a2bd6d9ca541429f&extent=-96.3,35.6138,-94.6809,36.293&zoom=true&scale=false&search=true&searchextent=true&disable\\_scroll=false&theme=dark](https://www.arcgis.com/apps/Embed/index.html?webmap=848f6e1b78fc4dd5a2bd6d9ca541429f&extent=-96.3,35.6138,-94.6809,36.293&zoom=true&scale=false&search=true&searchextent=true&disable_scroll=false&theme=dark)

# Events Around Wagoner County

COWETA'S  
STREET MARKET

Held the second Saturday of every month

DATES FOR 2026:  
9am-Noon

April 11 • May 2 • June 13  
July 11 • August 8 • September 12

## Coweta CRUISE NIGHT

**SATURDAY  
MAY 16TH**

THE CRUISE LOOP WILL BE DOWNTOWN COWETA  
ON TO HWY 51 TO 131ST ST.

**5PM MEET UP LOCATIONS:**

- THE DOWNTOWN DISTRICT
- THE COWETA CASINO HOTEL

Be respectful of traffic laws and refrain from stupidity.

**CRUISE BEGINS AT 6PM AND ENDS AT 9PM**

KEEP UP WITH THE EVENT ON  
FACEBOOK AT THE  
COWETA OK  
CRUISE NIGHT PAGE.

65<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**SUMMERFEST**  
JUNE 11-13  
South Main Street • Wagoner, OK

June 11: 6PM - 10PM • Wristbands \$30 Each  
June 12 & 13: 5PM - 11PM • Wristbands \$35 Each

CARNIVAL RIDES • FOOD TRUCKS • CRAFT VENDORS  
\* LIVE MUSIC • SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT \*

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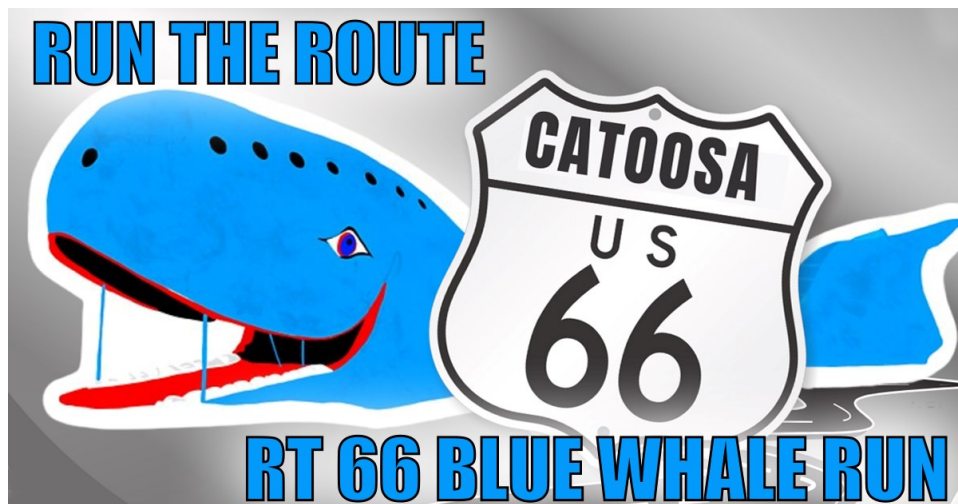
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## Events Around Wagoner County (Continued)



May 14-17, 2026  
Broken Arrow Central Park

CARNIVAL RIDES • 5K RUN • VENDORS • PARADE • FOOD TRUCKS • LIVE MUSIC • MUCH MORE



Saturday, May 30, 2026 at 8:00 am go to Register go to <https://bluewhalerun.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=17062>

## COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITY LINKS

County or Municipality	Agendas & Minutes	Government / Council Information
<b>Wagoner County</b>	<a href="https://www.wagonercounty.ok.gov/AgendaCenter">https://www.wagonercounty.ok.gov/AgendaCenter</a>	<a href="https://www.wagonercounty.ok.gov/264/Elected-Officials">https://www.wagonercounty.ok.gov/264/Elected-Officials</a>
<b>City of Broken Arrow</b>	<a href="https://brokenarrow.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx">https://brokenarrow.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx</a>	<a href="https://www.brokenarrowok.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/5311/638711499707630000">https://www.brokenarrowok.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/5311/638711499707630000</a>
<b>City of Coweta</b>	<a href="https://www.cityofcoweta-ok.gov/325/Agenda-and-Minutes">https://www.cityofcoweta-ok.gov/325/Agenda-and-Minutes</a>	<a href="https://www.cityofcoweta-ok.gov/27/Government">https://www.cityofcoweta-ok.gov/27/Government</a>
<b>City of Porter</b>	<a href="https://townofporterok.com/meeting-agendas-and-minutes">https://townofporterok.com/meeting-agendas-and-minutes</a>	<a href="https://townofporterok.com/">https://townofporterok.com/</a>
<b>City of Wagoner</b>	<a href="https://www.wagonerok.org/Government/Meetings-and-Agendas">https://www.wagonerok.org/Government/Meetings-and-Agendas</a>	<a href="https://www.wagonerok.org/Government/City-Council/Ward-Information">https://www.wagonerok.org/Government/City-Council/Ward-Information</a>

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