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About Woodward

NOVEMBER 2025

SOCIAL CENTER LUNCHEON

WHEN: Monday, **November 3rd**,
11:30-12:30

WHERE: Woodward Methodist Church

MENU: Mostaccioli Pasta, Garlic Bread,
Lettuce Salad, and Dessert

Free Will Offering

Proceeds to the Woodward Social
Center

ELECTION DAY, TUESDAY, NOV. 4



City Council candidates at Meet and Greet on Wed., Oct. 22nd at the Woodward Library. Left to right: Jim Gough, Victor Kersey, Tyler Randall, Kelly Kirts, Steve Godwin

You will be voting for 3 of the 5 candidates

City Council Candidates

From Jim Gough

I have been a life long resident of the Woodward area and am 64 years old. Married to my wife Carolyn for over 37 years and raised 5 children who all graduated from the Woodward-Granger school system. Retired from the State of Iowa after 38 years of service. Served on the Woodward Library Board for 6 years. Currently I am the director of the Woodward Economic Development Association which I have served for the past 12 years. Have been a City Councilman for the past 7 years and am running for re-election for a 3rd term.

From Victor Kersey

I began my professional journey by enlisting in the United States Navy in 1991, where I proudly served for a decade before being honorably discharged.

My career further expanded to include leadership positions with the Utah and Nevada Departments of Corrections, and I currently serve as the Director of Psychology at the Woodward Resource Center in Woodward.

My decision to seek a position on the Woodward City Council reflects my desire to continue serving my community in a meaningful way. I am particularly interested in supporting sustainable community growth, ensuring responsible local governance, and fostering a safe and inclusive environment for all residents. My hope is to contribute to policies that strengthen Woodward's future while maintaining the

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small-town values that make it a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

From Tyler Randall

I have lived in and around the Woodward area for almost 40 years. I'm married to Jessica and we share two sons, Roy and Dean.

I have been employed for 20 years in state government at the Woodward Resource Center and hold waste water treatment and water distribution licenses. I have also served on the city's planning and zoning commission for eight years.

I am asking for your vote so I can give a voice to you, the citizens, who I am ultimately accountable to. I am not seeking this office for my own personal agenda. I would like to find ways to make it easier for young families to make homes in our community.

From Kelly Kirts

I grew up on the South side of Des Moines, attended Des Moines Lincoln High School and joined the United States Air Force in 1989. After serving 27 ½ years at 14 worldwide locations, we retired in May 2016 returned to Iowa, buying a house and small business here in Woodward.

would really like to continue our work in these areas.

We are a small town with a limited budget and staffing. The challenge is how to serve the city's best interest for today and in the future with the funds we have available now. In the past, we had deferred some of the city's maintenance responsibilities. With effective use of our LOST (Local Option Sales Tax) dollars

and our utility maintenance funds we started to reverse those trends. I would like to continue to make progress in this area.

In order for our town to have the resources required to serve our residents, we need continued growth in both our housing and business areas. This would be a win-win for our citizens and our business partners. We need to help developers see the value of investing in Woodward. Success in these areas would provide us the opportunity to provide some of the services/facilities that our citizens have asked for such as improved Park's & Rec facilities and library improvements.

From Steve Godwin

I have lived in Woodward IA for 43 years and have been involved with community service the entire time I have lived here. I served in the volunteer fire department in the mid and late 80's holding various offices during my tenure.

I also served on the city council 1993-1995 elected during a special election from a council member who moved away. I did not seek re-election when that term was complete as I had accepted a job that took me away from the community except to sleep and I felt this would not provide what the citizens needed.

I retired in 2018 from that job and many citizens encouraged me to seek a council position again as I am a voice for the people and always listen to what they have to say. I want to continue moving Woodward forward in a positive way. I simply want to be a part of keeping city business transparent, fiscally responsible, and making sure the

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people have a voice and represent that voice.

Many times I have voted for something that I do not personally agree with but the majority of people voiced that is what they wanted. We are elected by the people for the people.

I serve on the council and committees as community service and do not receive monetary payment for council duties or reimbursement for any other expenses incurred going to meetings or other city business.

I encourage community involvement to attend council meetings and committee meetings to be a part of this important process.

If elected I will always listen to citizen's thoughts, input, and complaints and do my best to represent the majority.

SCHOOL BOARD

Two candidates are running for one seat in District One.

From David Elliott (incumbent)

It has been a privilege to serve as a school board member for the past 8 years. In that time we have worked hard to manage the growth of families and children in our schools. The last couple of years we devised and implemented a growth plan building a new middle school that will open to students next fall.

In my time on the board we have selected two superintendents who have managed the district well. We are currently operating under a comprehensive strategic plan that concentrates on school improvement while keeping our attention on our mission to focus on individual learners.

I have tried very hard to bring my experience as a teacher at WG for 33 years to help guide the debates and decision making of the board. I would appreciate your vote for another term serving the children, employees, and families of Woodward-Granger.

From Eric Polich

My name is Eric Polich and I am running for the Woodward-Granger school board again. I live north of Woodward with my wife Lindsey and 4 sons, two of which have graduated from WG and two are currently in 3rd and 6th grade. Lindsey and I both graduated from Woodward-Granger.

I believe that the school district has a financial responsibility to the tax payers of Woodward and Granger. We are a rapidly growing district and are in need of bigger and more modern facilities to handle a larger student population, but we cannot have huge tax hikes for our patrons.

I was on the board when we built the new elementary school in Granger and we did that using PPEL funds and not raising taxes.

I would appreciate your vote on November 4th.

District 2: Troy Janssen (incumbent)
At-large: Ashley Brandt (incumbent)

PPEL (PHYSICAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT LEVY)

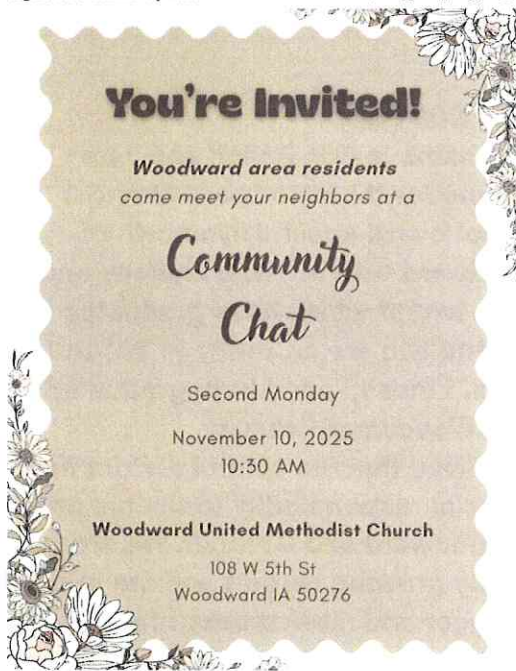
This levy was first implemented in 2008 with renewed approval in 2016. A "yes" vote would renew the PPEL, continuing the current tax rate through 2038.

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This is a funding source that helps our school district maintain and improve its facilities, transportation, and technology infrastructure.

AN INVITATION

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November 10th, 10:30

An opportunity to get together!!!

THANKSGIVING FEAST
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH
5:30 - 7:00

The Woodward Lions' Club is cooking up a Thanksgiving Feast to be served at the Woodward Methodist Church. Free will offering.



LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS
FALL PLAY
NOVEMBER 18TH 7-9
NOVEMBER 19TH 2-4

The school's weekly calendar of events can be found at the Woodward Public Library, and the Woodward Post Office.

OPEN FOOD PANTRY DATES

NOVEMBER 8TH & 22ND

BINGO
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
6:00 FOOD
6:30 BINGO
WHERE? Legion Hall

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THANKSGIVING DAY

NOVEMBER 27TH

SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

HIGHLAND CAR CARE 204 S Main Open
M, W, Th 8AM-5PM & T, F 12PM-5PM
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Facebook: Aspire Nutrition & Energy Hours:
M - F 6:30 AM - 1:30PM Sat.
8AM-1PM Sun. Closed

KC'S DETAILING 108 Cedar Ave. Detailing
and Window Tint. Contact Kannen Carrick
at 515-344-0401.

ALLURE PAINTING Contact Johan Larson
at 515-419-9339. Choose Allure Painting
for all your painting needs.

MAIN STREET MERCANTILE Text Barbie
Harney 515-326-5521 if interested in
consigning items. Located on 215 Main
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Kent Shawd 515-402-5039.

ACTIVE HEALTH SOLUTIONS Visit
activehealthsolutions.org or call
641-757-2292. Dr. Calmer plans to be in
Woodward on Tuesdays, 8AM to 6PM.

Wuebker Sun City Solar, LLC
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variety of dances on Saturdays and
Sundays. Check out their website.

PICKET FENCE CREAMERY 14583 S AVE.
Local family business. Milk, cheese, ice

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cream, plus products from 60 other local families.

JOE'S BARBER SHOP. Contact Joseph Skalicky 515-401-2201. WALK-INS ONLY
124 S. Main St.

Businesses, we would like to put a few lines about all of our local businesses.
Contact Kathy Yager. 515-240-7476 or
kathyyager48@gmail.com

Together for a Better Tomorrow

Woodward Public Library

**NEED ITEMS DONATED FOR SILENT AUCTION
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 TO NOVEMBER 24, 2025**

SILENT AUCTION

Suggestions for Donation

*Dishes, Electronics,
homemade pretties,
Memorabilia,
theme baskets,
miscellaneous items*



**SILENT AUCTION
STARTS**

MON, NOVEMBER 24

UNTIL

SAT, DECEMBER 6, 2025

UNTIL 1:00 PM

**PROCEEDS GO TO THE
WOODWARD PUBLIC LIBRARY
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WOODWARD LIBRARY
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For more information:

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Woodward, IA 50276
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WOODWARD PUBLIC LIBRARY

CHRISTMAS

Cookie & Candy
SALE

SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 6, 2025
9AM - 2PM

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