



## City Of Wichita – Previous City Managers

### Emory Lee Cox (November 15, 1955-November 22, 1955)

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Born: May 13, 1905

Died: July 1991

Interred: unknown

Mr. Emory L. Cox was employed as Director of Parks when he was asked to step in as interim city manager for one week when the current city manager, Eugene N. Smith, was fired and then reappointed.

Before his brief stint as city manager, Mr. Cox had succeeded Alfred MacDonald as Director of Parks in January 1949. He would remain in that position until December 31, 1971, when he retired at the age of 66. He had served 30 years with the Parks department, including 23 as director. His successor was H. Jay Setter, deputy director of aviation.

Mr. Cox later moved to Florida where he would reside until his death in 1991.



#### Other Interesting Facts

Emory L. Cox graduated from Emporia High School in 1924. His senior yearbook profile stated:

*Emory hailed from Hartford. He was the mainstay of the football team there for three years. When he arrived here he did wonders for the high school team. Cox possesses wonderful side-burns, at least the girls say so. Football '23.*

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