April 2016 Newsletter

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2016 City of Jasper Board of Appeal & Equalization

Thursday, April 14, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.

Rock & Pipestone County
Auditors will be here. If you
believe your property value
or classification is incorrect
for your property taxes,
please attend

Your Calendars!

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Jasper Quartziter Days August 6th & 7th, 2016

Parade will be on Saturday, August 6th @ 10:00 a.m.

City of Jasper

Jasper's Annual Spring Cleanup Day—Friday, May 20th!

Clean out your house, garage, lawn and basement! GET RID OF THE JUNK!!!

No garbage pickup on Thursday, May 19th, all collections will be done on Friday. Recycling schedule will remain the same.

ALL WOOD windows, doors, countertops, toilets, sinks, small entertainment centers will need to be put into the roll-offs in town; these items will NOT be picked up at the curb. Do not put into the Roll-offs: Plastic, garbage, cardboard, paints or trees. Anyone caught throwing unacceptable items in the roll-offs will be charged by the city for disposing of the item properly, the roll-offs will be monitored.

NO CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS: If you have torn down a building (shingles, concrete, etc.) call Van Dyke for a dumpster at 507-442-7241.

Put junk on the curb, no earlier than May 16th—in separate piles—by 5:00 a.m. sharp on May 20th. If piles are mixed up, NONE of the junk will be removed! Come to the city office if you have an appliance that needs to be paid for and picked up (\$15). Also, pay for tires: \$3 car or pickup tires, \$12-\$22 for larger tires, depending on the size.

You pay for this service, so please use it. We appreciated your cooperation in doing a super job in keeping Jasper a clean place to live! The council will be doing a drive-thru the city in the weeks ahead!

Lumber will not be picked up! Watch for the ad in the Jasper Journal,

Vast Broadband cable channel 3 & Facebook!

HELP KEEP JASPER CLEAN!





Yard Waste Program: Pickup will begin sometime in April, weather permitting. Look for notices. Please get your branches and yard waste out to the curb by 7:00 a.m. on Mondays. If not, you will have to wait until the following week. In order to have city personnel pick it up, you will have to purchase yard waste tags, 10 for \$10 @ Jasper Mini-Mall or City office. Each bag or container placed on the curb MUST have a tag attached to either the bag or branch container. Weight limits still apply. If your bag is too heavy, it will NOT be picked up.

The yard waste site north of the ballfields will also be open. If you would like to gain access to this property to dispose of your yard waste, stop by the city office to pick up a key.



Quarter Craze Auction & Whopper Feed

April 16th at the Jasper Memorial

Vendor Craft Fair Beginning at 4:00

Whopper Feed (\$6.00) from 4:30-6:30

Quarter Craze Auction beginning at 6:30

Proceeds from the Whopper Feed and Auction will be put towards the 2016 Quartzier Days to be held August 6-7

Initial cost of each bidding stick is \$4.00

Starting bids on items up for auction will range from \$0.25-\$0.75 with mystery gifts at a higher bid







Look for the City of Jasper, Jasper Sunrise Village and Jasper Volunteer Fire Dept. on Facebook and like the page! Many Updates & information!





July 15, 2016 at the Pipestone Courthouse Yard

Community meal from 5-7 pm

If you would like to purchase a luminary for \$10 in memory or in honor of someone, make donations or join a team for this years relay, please contact Kristie Weinkauf at 348-3032 or kweinkauf@iw.net.



Plum Creek Library System is in Jasper the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month at St. Joseph Catholic Church (415 2nd St E.) from 3:15 to 4:15 pm!

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go." ~ Dr. Seuss

Don't forget that Memorial Hall & the Meeting Room can be rented & they are both air conditioned! Call the city office for information today on rental rates!



Become a Member Today!

Why join the Jasper Wellness Center? You will find a great facility for working out and getting into shape! Exercise is good for the body, but did you know that exercise is also good for the mind? Research has shown regular exercise delivers a mental and emotional boost. It improves your mood, boosts your selfesteem and gives you the confidence to handle whatever comes your way! So whether you are interested in shedding some unwanted pounds, remaining physically fit or being energetic for the rest of the day, getting a membership may be just what you need...Stop by the City Office or give Cortney a call at 348-3701 to sign up!

OPEN 24/7



ATTENTION ATV OR GOLF CART OWNERS:

If you wish to drive your vehicles in Jasper (LICENSED DRIVERS ARE THE ONLY ONE ELIGIBLE), you must purchase a permit. Permits for 2016 are now available for \$10 at the city office, good until 12-31-16. You need to show proof of a driver's license, vehicle ID information & DNR ID number in order to get this permit. This information is forwarded to the Sheriff's Department. NO DIRT BIKES or GO CARTS CAN BE RIDDEN IN TOWN; those vehicles must be placed on a trailer & ridden only on private property out of town-not city property!



REMINDER: Animal licenses expire

March 31st yearly, Stop in to the city office and register your animal. Proof of vaccination by a licensed veterinarian is required in order to obtain a license.

PLEASE keep your pets fed, watered, and QUIET. Pets should not be allowed to bother other residents. For owners who take care of their pets, THANK YOU FOR BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR. Please clean up after your pets. Complaints should be reported to Pipestone County Law Enforcement at 825-1100. You do not necessarily have to identify yourself when calling. Or call the TIP LINE @ 825-6792. All animals (includes CATS) need to be on a leash! Anyone that needs a copy of ORDINANCE No. 91, it is available at the city office.



^{**}Check this newsletter for your account number. You could receive \$5 off your SWG Bill.

New Telephone Numbers Announced for Pipestone County Government Offices Many Pipestone County offices obtained new phone numbers effective January 1, 2016.

Department	Phone Number	Department	Phone Number
Administrator	825-1200	County Treasurer	825-1130
Building and Grounds	825-1160	Court Administration	825-1210
County Amb Billing	825-1170	Driver's License Info	825-1130
County Assessor	825-1150	Emergency Management	825-1170
County Attorney	825-4266*	Health and Human Services	825-6720*
County Auditor	825-1140	Highway Office	825-1245
County Extension	825-1190	Highway Shop	825-1244
County Probation	825-1125	Human Resources	825-1203
County Recorder	825-1135	Information Technology	825-1234
County Sheriff	825-6700*	Soil & Water Conservation	825-1185
County Sheriff	825-1100	Veterans Services	825-1171
County Transit	825-1180	In Case of Emergency Dial	911*

^{*}Indicates No Change In Number



WATCH FOR CHILDREN!!!

As the weather gets warmer, more and more children will be playing outside. Drivers must remember to watch out for these children. Pay special attention around bus stops, parks and anywhere that children gather. Watch for signs and obey the Law!

Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush ~ Doug Larson

April 29th is ARBOR DAY and May is Arbor Month. Plant a tree! But don't forget to call Gopher State One Call @ 1-800-252-1166. You must CALL BEFORE YOU DIG at least two working days before you plan to dig so that your utility companies can mark the location of all underground lines.



ALL PAST DUE AMOUNTS ARE DUE AT THE CITY OFFICE BY 9:00 PM, FRIDAY, APRIL 15. CURRENT CHARGES ARE DUE ON APRIL 20TH. ANY PAST DUE AMOUNT NOT RECEIVED BY THE SPECIFIED DATE WILL RESULT IN DISCONNECTION OF SERVICES.

All charges for water, sewer, debt service, etc. shall be due on the due date specified by the City for the respective account. All utility bills will be sent out on or around the 30th of the month. The bill is due on or before the 20th of the following month. Any utility bill not received at the City Office before 3:00 P.M. on the 20th will be considered delinquent. Should the 20th day of the month fall on a weekend or holiday, the time will be extended to 3:00 P.M. on the next business day.

If the account becomes delinquent, a late charge of \$10 will be added to and become part of all delinquent utility bills. Notice will be mailed to the resident. Due notice will be posted on the resident door. If any bill is not paid in full on or before the 25th day of the month, water will be disconnected.

If water is shut off, a \$30 fee will be added for the shutoff and for turning the account back on. Before water is re-connected, all charges need to be paid by cash, money order, or cashiers check during regular business hours.

AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL may be another way of avoiding this, you can sign up for this deduction from either Peoples Bank or the City Office. You can indicate when you want the bill to be taken out of your checking account, either the 5th or the 19th of the month.

BAD CHECKS will be charged \$30 PLUS your utility payment. Keep payments up, our only alternative is to shut the service off. The Council says "No payment-No service." ALWAYS be on the lookout for leaks-both in your residence and on city property. These can be very EXPENSIVE!

Starting a Project? Land use permits are needed for construction that alters the boundaries of the present building even if a contractor is doing the work, moving in a building (such as garages & utility sheds) and installation of fences, check with the city office if you have any questions. You will need permission from the city council to remove a sidewalk; please consider replacement rather than removal.





The only burning that is allowed in the City of Jasper is in contained fireplaces-something that has wood ONLY & well contained. NO GARBAGE BURNING, NO CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS; NOTHING THAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED HAZARDOUS!! No ash particles floating around...either to your house or the neighbors. NO EXCEPTIONS!! If you Fire Department is called...your bill is \$450 for the first hour!

The City of Jasper will continue to do a test alert every first Wednesday of the month just after 1 pm; Pipestone Co. Law Enforcement conducts this test. Remember this is just a test. However, if the siren should sound at another time, waste no time-take cover! The week of April 11-15, 2016 is Severe Weather Awareness Week in the Tri-State area. In Minnesota, a statewide tornado drill will commence on Thursday, April 14 000218 @ 1:45 P.M.





American The City of Jasper has signed a Shelter Agreement with the American Red Cross, that incase of an **Red Cross** emergency/disaster occurs, Memorial Hall is the public place to go!



Van Dyke Sanitation Recycling Schedule will be April 7th & 21st, May 5th & 19th, June 3rd, 16th & 30th.



