

# City of Jasper



April 2018 Newsletter

## Jasper's Annual Spring Cleanup Day—Friday, May 11th!

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

No garbage pickup on Thursday, May 10th, 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 7th—in separate piles— by 5:00 a.m. sharp on May 11h. 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!

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## 2018 City of Jasper Board of Appeal & Equalization

Thursday, April 26, 2018 @ 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.



Jasper All School Reunion & 130th Anniversary Celebration

July 27, 28 & 29, 2018

Find it on Facebook!

Did you find your SWG bill number in this newsletter?

If so, stop by or call the City office to receive \$5 off your SWG bill!

**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. 3 ANIMALS MAX PER HOUSEHOLD!

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. . 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.

Are you harboring a fugitive?



**2018 Licenses Available at City Office**



**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 2018 are now available for \$10 at the city office, good until 12-31-18. 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!

**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.



**ALL PAST DUE AMOUNTS ARE DUE AT THE CITY OFFICE BY 9:00 AM, MONDAY, APRIL 16. 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!



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!

Van Dyke Sanitation Recycling Schedule will be April 5th & 19th, May 3rd & 17th, June 1st (Friday), 14th & 28th





**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 000069 access to this property to dispose of your yard waste, stop by the city office to pick up a key.

**Join the Jasper Wellness Center TODAY!**

Fitness Incentive Program offers reimbursements for:

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota, Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming, Fargo Public Schools, Regency Managed Properties, Sanford Health Plan, Sioux Falls Public Schools, South Country Health Alliance, U Care, Virgin Pulse, Health Partners, Medica & PreferredOne!



Stop in the City Office for more information!



**NOTICE:** The library located at the Quartziter Community Center will be open from **12 p.m. to 5 p.m. on school days. Summer hours: 7:45 a.m. to 5 p.m.**



If you would like to donate books to the library, donations are accepted at the City Office.



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 9-13, 2018 is Severe Weather Awareness Week in the Tri-State area. In Minnesota, a statewide tornado drill will commence on Thursday, April 12 @ 1:45 P.M.

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



**American Red Cross**



**Jasper Volunteer Fire Department Relief Association**



**Annual Fundraiser**

**Saturday, April 7, 2018**

**5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

**Jasper Memorial Hall**

**\$8 per ticket**

**Menu includes: Grilled Hamburgers, Potato Salad, Beans and a Drink**

**The Relief Association is fundraising for a pump and tank for the new grass rig.**

## Pipestone County Relay for Life

Date: June 28th, 2018

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Pipestone County Courthouse Lawn, 416 S Hiawatha Ave, Pipestone, MN

Contact: Kristie Weinkauff at 348-3032 or [kweinkauff@iw.net](mailto:kweinkauff@iw.net)

Website: <http://www.relayforlife.org/pipestonemn>



If you would like to purchase a luminary for \$10 in memory or in honor of someone or join a team for this relay, please contact Kristie.



### Find us on Facebook

The City of Jasper, Jasper Sunrise Village, Jasper Volunteer Fire Dept. and Jasper Ambulance Association are on Facebook! Remember to like the page! Many updates & valuable information!

Looking to hold an event? Don't forget that Memorial Hall, the Meeting Room & Quartziter Community Center are available for rent. All are air conditioned and handicap assessable. Contact the city office for information on rental rates.

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



**Sidewalk Replacement Program:** Are you considering repairing or replacing your sidewalk? Come to the City Office and see how we can help you!



### CONGRATULATIONS TO BRIAN THODE:

Wastewater Superintendent/Operator! Receiving "Certificate of Commendation" for outstanding operation, maintenance and management of our wastewater treatment system. This award recognizes ensuring: overseen by properly certified operator, did not exceed the effluent limits contained in our permit, all required monthly & annual reports were timely & complete, facility did not experience any bypasses, enforcement actions or inspections identifying significant compliance concerns.

**Public Access Channel 3:** The City of Jasper has made arrangements with the City of Pipestone to include news, events and announcements for Jasper on this channel. If you want to tape something for viewing (must be a non-profit organization or event), you need to contact Steve Moffit at 825-2005 for further information or fax info to 825-5353.



**Children are supposed to be at home by 10 PM. Where are your children?** The Pipestone County Deputies are asked to enforce the ordinance; please assist them in doing your part by paying attention to where your children are and what they are doing. Please keep your eyes open and report anything suspicious to Pipestone County Law Enforcement at 825-6700. Parents: Please remind your children to be respectful of public and private property.

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

Doug Larson