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A very special “Thank you” to Steve Grubb for again funding the Mosquito Control program thru the summer months so we can all enjoy the outdoors again this summer!



Weekly ground applications will normally be done late evening Thursdays or early Friday mornings now thru mid September, weather permitting.

RESIDENTS WITH SPRINKLER SYSTEMS CONNECTED TO CITY WATER

With the recent rains we have noticed several residential watering systems still sprinkling during the storms. City ordinance #159 requires each private irrigation system connected to the public water supply to include a rain sensor device to prevent the irrigation system from operating during rainfall.

Also, to help conserve water for the 4th of July we ask that you not water during the holiday week. Also, during the summer months we would like to see residents with odd-numbered house numbers water on odd-numbered days and residents with even-numbered houses water on even-numbered days to help the city water supply keep up with the demands for water during the summer months.

And, because of the Zebra Mussel infestation, it is anticipated that more residents will want to tap into the city’s water system to irrigate their yards. Wahpeton is requiring a sprinkler system installation permit process that will include a completed permit form, the purchase of a second water meter to meter the sprinkler systems usage and an inspection of the required backflow device and the connection to the domestic water supply. Please contact city hall for further information.



The City of Wahpeton will be closed on July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

We are pleased to present this year’s Annual Water Quality Report for the Wahpeton Water Supply. The report is designed to inform you about the quality of water we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you, the customer, with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water.

The enclosed report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is surface water and is drawn from West Lake Okoboji in the area of Manhattan Beach. Wahpeton Water Supply is also connected to Milford Municipal Utilities (MMU) via a 6” water main along Hwy. 86 and is only used for emergencies and high usage periods in the summer months.

REMINDER TO CHECK INTO BUILDING PERMITS AND ZONING ORDINANCES BEFORE YOU BEGIN A PROJECT.

Canal Bank Erosion

The Meneyata Park Lot Owners Association has spent a lot of money repairing the canal banks because of high water and excessive speed of boats. The eastern canal waterways receive much heavier boat traffic than those on the west. Please be respectful of your neighbors and help deter future rip rap and dredging costs by lowering your boat speed thru the canals.

Fireworks Still Prohibited

Although the state legislature “legalized” the sale and use of fireworks in Iowa, Wahpeton still has an ordinance in place that prohibits the sale or use of fireworks inside the city limits.

As a reminder per Chapter 165.02.98 of the Wahpeton Code of Ordinances, residential homes in Wahpeton cannot be rented or leased for any period less than one month. To do so is a municipal infraction punishable by civil penalties, per Chapter 165.16.

Debit/Credit Card Payment Options 24/7 For All Services

Beginning July 1, individuals who wish to make payments to City Hall using credit and debit cards may do so through GovPayNet. GovPayNet accepts the major credit and debit card brands for payments 24/7 on-site, online (www.GovPayNow.com) or by phone (1-888-604-7888). Cardholders can make payments on their own behalf or on behalf of friends or family. They need only have some basic information regarding the payment, easily provided by the City of Wahpeton. For added convenience, GovPayNet has a fully staffed, bilingual call center available 24/7.

Cardholders pay a service fee at the time of their transaction. There is no charges to the City for participation in the GovPayNet service. Improving the convenience of payment transactions with the City means more frequent and timely payments, and reduced costs.

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Council Clips:

Minutes are published in the Dickinson County News, posted at City Hall & Kazarelli's Restaurant. Complete copies are available from City Hall or on our Website at:
www.wahpetonia.govoffice.com

April 9, 2018—Regular Session:

- Council approved a garbage renewal contract with Town & Country.
- Council approved Ordinance 166—An ordinance Amending Sections 105.11 and 106.08(1)(A) of the Wahpeton Code of Ordinances concerning solid waste.
- Council approved Resolution 18-5—A Resolution Authorizing Budget Amendments and the Transfer of Funds.

May 14, 2018—Regular Session:

- Council approved Resolution 18-7 Adopting the proposed budget amendment for FY 2018.
- Council approved the capital improvement plan and to move forward seeking bids/quotes for FY 2019 projects and update of equipment.
- Council approved the purchase of new water locate equipment and turbidity meters for the water plant.

June 11, 2018—Regular Session:

- David Doxtad with ISG updated the council on the 180th Street project. ABC Services from Estherville was awarded the contract for \$41,977.00.
- Council discussed the recycling bins and issues with unrecyclable items left in and around the bins. They are looking into possible other options.
- Street report informed council the winter months caused lots of damage to the city streets and many repairs are needed.

City of Wahpeton Office Hours:

Mon – Fri 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 City Clerk/Admin: Bonnie Tielbur, Supt. of Public Works: Doug Hanna, Zoning & Maintenance: Jess Radcliffe
City Council: 2nd Mon. of the month at 5:00 p.m.
 Mayor: Phillip Johnson Councilmen: Brad Jones, Tom Rierson, Harold Prior, Jack Jones and LeAnn Blau
Board of Adjustment:
 3rd Tues. of the month at 5:00 p.m.
 Chairman: Colin Jensen Members: Jerry Edwards, Dick Gauck, Doug Westerman & Joe Cuttell.
Planning & Zoning Commission:
 2nd Tues. of the month at 6:00 p.m.
 Chairman: Donna Harris Members: Fran Parrish, Mark Foss, Ann Meyer and Darren Dotson

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REMINDERS:

- There have been a couple dog complains brought to my attention already this year and one of them was a pretty serious dog bite. City Ordinance 55.06 states "It is unlawful for any owner to allow an animal to run at large within the corporate limits of the City". Please be responsible and respectful to your neighbors.
- Pedestrians remember when walking or running along the street to do so on the left side of the street so you can see oncoming traffic. When crossing the street pedestrians should yield the right of way.
- Bikers should ride and are subject to all rules and regulations (this includes stop signs) as if a driver of a vehicle. They should keep to the right-hand edge of the roadway.
- Occupied recreational vehicles may be parked and occupied on private property no longer than 7 consecutive days at a time and no more than 14 days in a calendar year. Only one occupied recreational vehicle and one tent shall be allowed at one time on a residential lot. Recreational vehicles and or tents must be registered at city hall.
- Golf Carts & ATV's are now allowed on most of Wahpeton's city streets with certain guidelines. **Drivers of ATV's & Golf Carts need to be licensed drivers** with proof of insurance and an orange safety flag. Golf carts also need a slow moving vehicle sign.
- If you are looking for firewood the DNR is allowing residents to go into the DNR property located across from the tennis courts and cut some of the fallen trees. However, you do need to get a permit first. Applications can be picked up at the DNR office in Gull Point State Park or at City Hall.
- Let's have a safe summer!!!

Card Payments Continued—way they handle other transactions, anytime, day or night, and without having to write a check, carry large sums of cash, or wait in line.

GovPayNet accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover. Each business day, they reconcile the previous day's payments and electronically forward the cardholders payments in full to the City.

GovPayNet, based in Indianapolis, is a category leader in accepting credit and debit card payments on behalf of government agencies. More than one million cardholders annually rely on them when making payments to over 2,000 cities in more than 40 states. GovPayNet processes nearly \$200 million annually in payments to Cities.

Making GovPayNet's services available is an excellent opportunity for the City to be at the forefront in offering a convenient, flexible way to make payments. You can now make not only utility payments, but payments for dock/hoist permits, white/brown goods and building permits.