

DAKOTA CITY NEWS

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Upcoming Events in October



Bells Across America
Dakota City Fire Hall
October 6th @1pm
208 S. 21st Street



Fall Clean Up
October 21st-25th
Items cannot be put out until
the 20th, and the last day to
put items out is the 24th.



Food Pantry
October 24th
Dakota City Fire Hall
208 S. 21st Street
5pm-7pm



Trunk-or-Treat
Dakota City
Elementary
October 29th
6pm



Halloween
October 31st
Trick or Treating:
6pm-8pm

Community Events/City Meetings

City Council-October 3rd & 17th @ 6pm-Dakota City Hall

American Legion Breakfast- October 13th 8am-1pm @ 117 S. 21st Street

United Methodist Church Soup and Dessert- October 13th 4:30pm-6:30pm- Free will donation @ 16th and Locust

NCIP- October 14th @7pm-Dakota City Hall

A word from the City Administrator-

Each month I will review major projects, policies, and discussion items being addressed by the City. For this month's newsletter, I will discuss what occurred in September and what I anticipate will occur in October. September and October generally are eventful months due to the adoption of the annual budget and the completion of major construction projects.

September Council Action Items

On September 5, 2019, the Mayor and City Council held hearings to review objections to my determination of four properties as vacant. All four determinations were affirmed. To date, three owners have registered their properties, three properties have been identified as exempt, and three have not registered. Failure to register may result in the issuance of a criminal citation. Additional properties may be determined vacant once it is confirmed that these properties have been vacant for at least 180 days.

The 2019-2020 Budget was approved on September 19, 2019. The tax request is \$488,083. The tax rate is .542427, which is a 0% change from the previous year.

The Mayor and Council adopted the 2019-2020 One and Six Year Roads Plan on September 19. The One Year Plan consists of improvements to Olive and Cedar Street from N. 14th Street to N. 12th Street.

October Council Action Items

On October 3, the Mayor and Council will review Ordinance 959, which is a proposed ordinance to regulate the use of storage containers in all zoning districts. The ordinance would require property owners or contractors to obtain a conditional use permit from the City. The permit would be valid for six months. The issuance of a conditional use permit and any subsequent renewals would be subject to the Planning and Zoning Board's review and the City Council's approval.

The City anticipates final completion of the 2018 Street Improvement Project will occur in October. The Mayor and City Council will review the final payment application from Sioux City Engineering as well as a settlement agreement to resolve the dispute over the project's untimely completion. Assessments will be finalized after final project costs have been approved. Property owners will receive a letter from the City informing them of the proposed assessment and the assessment hearing date and time.

Alyssa Silhacek

City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer

Public Works News-Dakota City is a unique small community that hosts both a water treatment plant and a wastewater treatment plant. These two facilities are maintained by two fulltime employees, and when needed a third team member is utilized from the Street Department. The Water/Wastewater Department is busy ensuring both treatment plants will be ready for the upcoming colder months. Fall and spring are busy maintenance seasons for the treatment plants. If you notice any unexplained standing water in yards or streets, please call City Hall for employees to investigate possible water leaks. Remember that flushable wipes are **NOT** flushable! The only paper product that should go down your drains is toilet paper.

Library News-The library now has Overdrive available! OverDrive is a program where you can access books on smartphones, kindles, tablets, Chromebooks, and devices that run on Windows 8 & up. To set up your OverDrive account, come to the library and Kathy or Diann will be able to help you!

Fire Department News-If you are interested in joining the Dakota City Fire Department, please call 987-3326 or stop at City Hall to fill out an application! Fire Prevention week is October 6th-October 12th. This would be a great time to change your batteries in your smoke alarms! Like Dakota City Fire Department on Facebook to keep up on all events and information to be shared!

Adopt a Street- If you or someone you know is looking for a community service project or making the town look better, stop by the City Hall to find out more information on adopting a street.

Facts about Dakota City- According to the United States Census Bureau, the city has a total area of 1.20 square miles, of which, 1.08 square miles is land and 0.12 square miles is water.

New Additions in Dakota City-

Tamales– Located at 1414 Broadway

Dollar General– Dakota City will now have a Dollar General Store. The building process will start in October and will be done in the upcoming months! The location will be at 322 N. 14th Street which is directly north of Broyhill Company.

Get Involved-

Cemetery Board– Seeking new members to join the cemetery board to help the city plan for the cemetery's future. Pick up an application at Dakota City Hall or visit the city's website.

Preview of Events in November-

DCFD Breakfast-November 2nd @ 7am-12:30pm

Dakota City Food Pantry– November 26th, Dakota City Fire Hall @ 5pm-7pm

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