

Our Mission: To provide an attractive, growing community being served by a professional staff that offers reliable, quality municipal services.

Upcoming Meetings and Closures

City offices will be closed on Monday, October 9 for Native American Day. Trash normally collected on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday.
Sturgis City Council: October 2 and 16 at 6:30pm at the Erskine Building, 1300 Sherman Street.
City Wide Clean Up Week: October 2-6.
Pizza for Pets: Sturgis Big D, October 6 3-6PM and October 7 Noon - 4PM.
Little Hoppers Program: October 10 and 24 from 8:30AM until 10:00AM at the Sturgis Community Center. Activities are for kids ages 4 and under.
CPR Training: October 11 from 6:00 - 7:00pm at the Fire Hall. Call 347-5801 to register.
Kiwanis Hobo Stew: October 29 from 5-7PM at the Community Center. \$7 donation goes toward youth programs in our community.

The following applications will be reviewed by the Planning Commission on October 3 at 5:30pm at City Hall, 1040 Harley-Davidson Way. Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and comments are welcome. For more information about an application, contact the Planning Office by calling 347-4422. Meeting dates are subject to change.

Applicant Name	Request	Address
Terry Jensen	Use on Review - Construction Site	2175 Dolan Creek
Sturgis Motorsports	Variance to rear setback	2695 Lazelle
Lifespring Wesleyan	Variance to setback	1706 Junction

Officials

Mayor
 Mark Carstensen 490-1044

Council Members

Ward One:
 Mike Bachand 490-1054
 Rod Bradley 389-3209

Ward Two:
 David Martinson 720-5299
 Scott Peterson 347-0680

Ward Three:
 Jason Anderson 490-1618
 Ron Waterland 490-2065

Ward Four:
 Steve Keszler 206-1500
 Rhea Crane 490-8615

City Manager
 Daniel Ainslie 347-4422

Scott Peterson Appointed as Ward 2 City Councilman

Scott Peterson has been appointed to serve as the new Ward 2 City Councilman. Mr. Peterson filled the seat vacated by Tony Dargatz in July. Mr. Peterson will serve as a City Council representative until the next municipal election scheduled for April 10, 2018. He currently teaches business at Sturgis Brown High School.



2018 Budget Reduces Mill Levy Freezes Utility Rates

On September 5, the Sturgis City Council approved the 2018 budget. The budget reflects a 7.5% decrease in the property tax mill levy. The continual decrease in the mill levy over the past several years (38% reduction since 1994) is a result of governmental cost savings as well as new housing units and the expansion and addition of new businesses within the community. The 2018 budget also freezes city utility rates which are set by resolution. The budget includes funding for the following capital improvements:

- New Public Works Campus
- Shade structures at Rally Point Plaza
- Storm water improvements in the Murray Addition and 1st Avenue areas
- City Hall remodeling
- Soccer Field improvements
- Community Center equipment upgrades

Funds were also allocated for improvements at the Community Center Park which will include the construction of a pickleball court, new tennis courts, addition of outdoor basket ball courts, a permanent location for the skateboard park, and installation of fencing around the park area which is located immediately west of the Community Center.

Nasser Named Chamber Executive Director

The Sturgis Chamber Board of Directors recently named Alexis (Lemmel) Nasser as its new Executive Director following an extensive regional and national recruitment process. Ms. Nasser recently served as the Marketing & Communications Specialist at the Deadwood Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau. Ms. Nasser is a graduate of Black Hills State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Marketing. Ms. Nasser is also a graduate of Sturgis Brown High School. "Ms. Nasser's experience with social media, member outreach, and marketing as well as her experience with large events like Kool Deadwood Nights and Deadwood Jam makes her uniquely qualified to lead the Sturgis Chamber," said Heidi Richter, President of the Chamber's Board of Directors. She will begin her new duties on September 25. Chamber members and the public are invited to a welcome reception for Ms. Nasser on October 5th from 1pm to 3pm at the Chamber Office.



Volunteers Needed

The Sturgis Chamber is seeking volunteers to help with the Annual Chamber's Crypt Haunted House. Volunteers can help with ticket sales, set design, tours and set-up/tear-down. No experience is necessary! Dates for the event will be announced soon. If you are interested in helping, please call the Chamber at 347-2556.



City to Host After Rally Summit

The City of Sturgis is hosting an After Rally Summit on October 11 and 12 at the Sturgis Community Center Theater.

The two-day event will feature guest speakers presenting on a variety of topics such as motorcycle tourism, demographic data from past rallies and tips on how to utilize digital marketing strategies to reach future Rally attendees.

According to City Manager, Daniel Ainslie, the Rally has a significant regional impact. We have invited local business owners as well as service providers from across the region to attend this conference to learn how they can better meet the needs of Rally Tourists. The conference will also address the changing demographics of Rally attendees and how we can all do a better job of marketing to our future Rally enthusiasts.

The conference is open to everyone who has an interest in promoting the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. To register for the conference and to view a full schedule for the Summit, visit the Rally Department's OfficialSturgisEvents.com website.



Rally attendees made their way to Flo's Chop Shop located on Sturgis Main Street for a temporary tattoo or a quick hair style touch up. Personal services like these are popular among younger generations of motorcyclists.

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City Wide Fall Clean Up

The Sturgis City Wide Fall Clean Up is scheduled for October 2-6. During this time, you may put your unwanted items near your

trash totes **prior to your normal pick up day** and the City will pick them up for disposal. If you share a 300 gallon tote in an alley, place your items in the alley ROW near your property.

Please sort your items into separate piles.

- **White Goods: Metal, Appliances, Bicycles etc.**
Appliances **must** have a signed EPA form attached and all freon **must** be drained from freezers and refrigerators, etc. (EPA Forms are available at the Public Works Department.)
- **Untreated Lumber**
- **Rubble: Furniture, Building Materials, Etc.**

Branches can be taken to the Rubble Site year around, free of charge (with a current water bill) during normal site hours.

Several trucks will be collecting items. Each category of item will be picked up by a separate truck. They will try to follow the regularly scheduled pick up day; however due to the extra loads that week, they may run behind schedule.

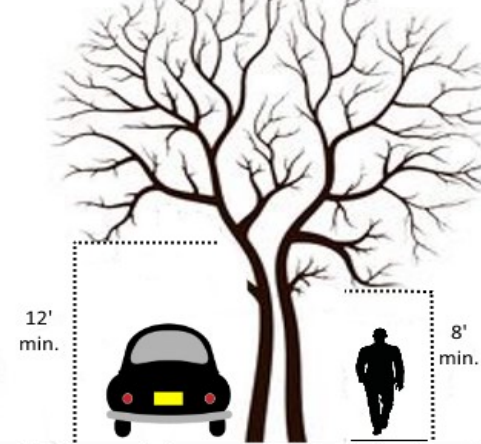
Some restrictions apply - tires, paint, treated lumber, appliances containing freon and batteries will not be picked up. For a complete listing of the items that qualify for removal, visit the Public Works web page at sturgis-sd.gov or call the Public Works Office at 347-3916.

xpress BILL PAY

Pay your city utility bills online

To get started, go to www.xpressbillpay.com and click on the "Sign Up" button. It's easy to set up and the service is free.

Is It Time to Trim Your Trees?



Sturgis City Ordinance requires trees to be trimmed to a minimum of 12 feet over city streets and at least 8 feet over public sidewalks.

During periods of heavy snow, overhanging branches bend even lower making it difficult for snow plows to operate effectively.

When branches break from snow weight, streets can become blocked and trees may be permanently damaged.

Big D Presents "Pizza for Pets"

Stop by Big D on Friday, October 6 from 3-6PM and on Saturday, October 7 from noon until 4PM for a meet and greet with pets from the Sturgis Animal Shelter. While you're there, enjoy pizza and a drink for only \$1. A portion of all pizza sales on October 6 and 7 will be donated to the Animal Shelter. If you adopt a pet from our shelter during the month of October, you will be given a gift certificate for Papa John's.



USO Variety Show

Sunday
October 15
2-3PM



Community Center Theater

Get ready to swing back in time to the '60s and '70s as the Arts Council's Drama Department presents its Fall Music Revue - a USO show highlighting music from the Vietnam Era. Admission is \$15 for Adults, \$10 for Seniors and \$5 for Students.

To view a full schedule of events related to the Sturgis Big Read, visit sturgisBigRead.com or check out the *Sturgis Big Read* Facebook page.

Contact Information

City Hall 347-4422
All offices 8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
Planning & Permitting 347-4422
Rally Department 720-0800
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

Community Center 347-6513
5:00 - 8:00 Mon. - Fri.
8:00 - 5:00 Sat.
Noon - 5:00 Sun.
1401 Lazelle Street

Fire & Ambulance 347-5801
Emergency 911
7:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1901 Ballpark Road

Library 347-2624
8:00 - 7:00 Mon. - Thur.
8:00 - 5:00 Fri.
8:00 - 4:00 Sat.
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

Sturgis Liquor 347-5983
10:00 - 10:00 Mon. - Sat.
10:00 - 6:00 Sun.
1075 Lazelle Street

Police Department 347-5070
Emergency 911
1400 Main Street
Animal Shelter 347-8310
1140 Otter Road

Public Works 347-3916
7:00 - 4:00 Mon. - Fri.
1057 Dudley Street
Rubble Site 347-5605
8:00 - 4:45 Mon. - Sat.
20492 Avalanch Road

Parks Office 347-3916
7:00 - 4:00 Mon. - Fri.
1057 Dudley Street
Park Shelter Reservations
Call: 347-4422

Water Office 347-4422
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1040 Harley-Davidson Way
After Hours Emergency call
Police Dispatch 347-2573
Payment Drop Box:
1040 Harley-Davidson Way
XpressBillPay.com

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