

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



1st Day of Fall
September 22

Meetings and Notices

City Council Meetings - September 8 and 21 at 6:30 pm in the Council chambers at City Hall, 1040 Harley-Davidson Way (use the Sherman Street entrance). View agendas and meeting information on the City website on the Wednesday prior to the meeting. If you would like to have City Council agendas E-mailed to you, contact the Finance Office at 347-4422. Meetings are live-streamed and archived on the City Facebook page.

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 7 for Labor Day.

The following application(s) will be reviewed by the Planning Commission on September 9 at 5:30 pm. This meeting will be held at Sturgis City Hall, 1040 Harley-Davidson Way. Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and comments are welcome. Meetings are streamed onto the City Facebook page. For more information about an application or review, contact the Planning Office at 347-4422. Meeting dates and locations are subject to change.

Applicant Name	Request	Address
Plains Towing & Recovery	Review - Tow yard in hwy. service zone	2879 Vanocker Canyon Road
Loretta Mason	Review - In-home dog grooming business	2109 Meadowlark Drive
Nadine Bueno	Review - In-home Daycare	309 Sherman Street
SSD Properties LTD	Variance for hard surfacing	1506 W. Farley Street

Officials

Mayor

Mark Carstensen 490-1044

Council Members

Ward One:

Mike Bachand 490-1054

Terry Keszler 347-0745

Ward Two:

David Martinson 720-5299

Beka Zerbst 206-1888

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

Ellen Street Reconstruction Underway

Ellen Street is a residential street located on the far north side of the city that runs west from 7th Street, approximately 1,900' to the edge of the city limits. Three years ago, this street was identified as needing a new overlay due to asphalt failure. As the plans for an overlay project progressed, engineering studies were completed, and it was discovered that the street was not originally built to correct standards and the sub-base had failed. With this information, the street was placed on the 2020 schedule for a complete reconstruction.

Crews began removing all of the existing pavement and subsurface material on August 17. Once old materials are removed, base course will be added and the new street will be paved.

Residents living in the Ellen Street area may have limited access from time to time during construction. Crews are anticipating 3-4 weeks from start to finish, weather permitting. Please watch the Sturgis Public Works Facebook page for construction updates.



City employees, front-line workers, and Sturgis residents recently underwent voluntary COVID testing following the 2020 Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. The tests were performed by healthcare workers from Monument Health at a drive-thru site set up at the Sturgis Community Center.

The tests were meant to identify individuals who may have been infected but were not showing symptoms (asymptomatic) of COVID-19. Monument Health provided the test results to each patient and provided guidance for those who tested positive.

Approximately 393 front-line workers, 65 School District employees, 110 city employees, and 130 residents took part in the free testing.

Fall City-Wide Garage Sale Saturday, October 3

It's time to clean house! Please contact the Chamber by calling 347-2556 before September 28 to get included in the official map and directory.

The City-wide Fall Cleanup will take place the week of October 5 - 9.



14th Annual Sturgis Mustang Rally September 1-6

The Streets of Sturgis will soon be filled with Mustang enthusiasts. Attendees will take part in many events including the Main Street Show & Shine from 10 am until 4 pm on Saturday, September 5. The 2020 event will feature live music by Keep Push'n (music of REO Speedwagon) on Main Street. View the full schedule of events on the Sturgis Mustang Rally Facebook page.

The South Dakota 2020 General Election will take place on November 3.



- Absentee voting begins on September 18, 2020.
- Voter registration deadline is October 19, 2020.

If you have questions about voter registration or the election, please visit the *South Dakota Secretary of State Voter Portal* on the State website at www.sdsos.gov/elections-voting.

Oktoberfest - September 25 & 26

Plans are underway for the Annual Sturgis Oktoberfest Celebration. On Saturday, from 4:00 until 7:00 PM there will be food, games, live-music, and fun for the entire family.



If you have an organization that would like to participate by setting up a booth on September 26, please call the Chamber at 347-2556. A full schedule of events along with passport information is posted on the *Official Sturgis Events* website.

COVID Protocols Remain in Place at City Facilities

While City facilities have reopened to the public, many COVID protocols are still in place.

Sturgis Public Library - Hours are Monday through Thursday from noon until 6:00 PM. Friday and Saturday from noon until 3:00 PM. Capacity is limited to 19 people at one time. You must be at least 14 years of age or accompanied by an adult to enter the library. Masks are mandatory for entry. The use of gloves or hand sanitizer is required upon entry. These items are available at the entrance. Curbside service is available by calling in advance. Online services and programs are being offered. The library continues to take orders for the Sturgis Good Deeds Program.

Sturgis Community Center - You must be at least 14 years of age or be accompanied by an adult in order to use the facility. There are no instructor-led classes taking place. The lounge area remains closed. Capacity limits are in place for all areas. Members must check in at the front desk to complete a health survey before using the facility. All areas have sanitizing products available for use.

City Hall - The Utility Billing Office is currently open 7:00 AM until 6:00 PM Monday through Thursday. The office is closed on Fridays. Engineering and Code Enforcement services are available by phone or appointment only. The Rally Department is open for phone calls and by appointment only. Masks are required in public areas when social distancing is not possible and in areas where posted.

Chamber Announces 2020 Leadership Sturgis Series

This 4-part series is open to the public and includes a variety of topics essential to becoming a successful leader in our community. Students who are accepted into the program will meet and learn from local political figures, nonprofits, city officials, and private business representatives. They will also participate in several community tours and special projects, culminating in a class graduation ceremony.

The purpose of Leadership Sturgis is to develop future leaders that will work toward positive change in our community; this is a chance to make valuable connections, meet other like-minded leaders, and learn about key components of the Sturgis community!

Sessions will take place on Tuesdays, September 29 through October 20, from 1pm until 5pm each day. Locations will vary, depending on tour locations and guest speakers. Please contact the Sturgis Chamber office for more information and to apply.



September Library Activities

Thursday, September 16 - Family Friendly: "Hopper Exploratory" Come down to the city park from 5:30-6:30 PM to check out an activity kit to explore the wonderful world of "Hoppers" in the park! Fun for the whole family.

Thursday, September 24 - Adult: Date Night BYOB(lanquet) Bring a picnic blanket and a date to this romantic night out in City Park! When you check-in you will receive a goody box with picnic finger food and an activity to keep you entertained throughout the hour. Be photo-ready for your photo shoot that is included!

Call the library at 347-2624 to register.

Pool Area Reopens With Upgrades

The Sturgis Community Center pool and hot tub have reopened following a scheduled closure during the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. The 10-day closure allowed contractors to replace the decking around the pool and to apply a fresh coat of paint on the hot tub.



According to the Community Center Director, Rod Heikes, the previous pool decking had started to flake off, causing problems with the pool filtration system. The new decking is more slip resistant and will allow for routine sanitization.

2021 Budget Under Consideration

The Sturgis City Council is currently working on the proposed 2021 City Budget.

One highlight will be a 4.3% reduction in the property tax mill levy. This reduction is a result of growth, an increase in local spending, and a successful 2020 City of Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. The budget also includes savings for future projects.

There will be no increases to the surcharges that have been in place. Fees for sanitation and wastewater will increase 3%. Water fees will remain the same.

The proposed budget is posted on the City website at www.sturgis-sd.gov. The second reading of the proposed budget will be considered by the Council during their regular meeting on September 8, at 6:30 PM at City Hall.



Join the Sturgis Stingrays Swim Team

Registration opens August 31 at the Sturgis Community Center.

The team welcomes all swimmers through 12th grade who can swim a minimum of 4 laps. The team practices at the Sturgis Community Center on Tuesdays - Thursdays from 7:00 - 8:00 PM. \$50 registration fee applies.

Visit *Sturgis Swimming* on Facebook to learn more about the team.

Flag Football Registration Extended

Youth Flag Football (grades 3 and 4). Registration deadline extended until September 6. Cost is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members.

Youth Tackle Football (grades 5 and 6). Registration deadline extended until September 6. \$60 for members and \$75 for non-members.

Financial assistance is available for low-income families. Contact the Community Center to register.



Contact Information

City Hall 347-4422
Code Enforcement & Planning
7:00 - 6:00 Mon. - Fri.
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

Finance Office 347-4422
7:00 - 6:00 Mon. - Thur.
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

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

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

Rally & Events 720-0800
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

Sturgis Liquor 347-5983
9:00 - 7:00 Mon. - Sun.
1075 Lazelle Street

After Hours Emergency call
Police Dispatch 347-2573

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