

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

Daylight Saving Ends



November 1

Meetings and Notices

City Council Meetings - November 2 and 16 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 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 Wednesday, November 11 for Veterans Day. City offices will be closed on Thursday, November 26 for Thanksgiving.

Reminder

City Hall is open 7:00 AM until 6:00 PM Mondays - Thursdays, offices are closed on Fridays.

The following application(s) will be reviewed by the Planning Commission on November 3 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 on 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.

Don & Sharon Peck	Variance to front setback for new carport.	443 Nathan Court
Wm. Coshow	Annual Review for in-home gunsmithing shop.	1218 Cedar Drive

Officials

Mayor
Mark Carstensen

Council Members
Ward One:
Mike Bachand
Terry Keszler

Ward Two:
David Martinson
Beka Zerbst

Ward Three:
Jason Anderson
Ron Waterland

Ward Four:
Steve Keszler
Rhea Crane

City Manager
Daniel Ainslie

For contact information visit the city website at www.sturgis-sd.gov or call City Hall At 605-347-4422

Library Updates

The Sturgis Public Library now offers exclusive use hours to seniors and immune compromised patrons every morning from 8:00 until 9:00 AM Monday - Saturday.

Regular library hours are Monday - Thursday noon until 6 PM and Friday and Saturday noon until 3 PM.

Newspapers are now available upon request. Library users under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult. Masks are required when using the library.

Curbside service is still available and the Sturgis Good Deeds Program continues to provide free shopping and delivery services. For information, call the library at 347-2624.



Marcotte Special Election Set

At a Special City Council meeting held on October 14, the Council scheduled a special election for an initiated referendum on the development of the Marcotte property for February 2, 2021.

The Council earlier reversed a decision to surplus the property. The surplus action would have allowed the property to be sold to a developer. The City had been working with Dream Design Int'l on plans to develop the property with a section of housing, a new park shelter and playground, an open greenbelt, and connecting hiking and biking paths. The City and developer held an open house on July 30 at the Sturgis Community Center to take public comment and to answer questions about the proposed development.

The City purchased the property from Game Fish & Parks in 2012 for future growth and expansion of recreation. There were no restrictions placed on the deed.

Opponents to the development sought an initiated referendum to secure a 5-year wait on the development.

Another open house and additional meetings to discuss the project will be announced.

Jay Johnson Inducted Into Hall of Fame

The South Dakota Solid Waste Management Association (SDSWMA) recently inducted Jay Johnson into the SDSWMA Hall of Fame.

Jay is the Sanitation Superintendent for the City of Sturgis Public Works Division. He began his career with the Sturgis Sanitation Division in 1987 as an operator on a rear loader garbage truck. Jay was in his early twenties and his hard work and personal drive led him to excel and quickly move up thru the ranks from an operator to a supervisor in 1998. As a Sanitation Supervisor, Jay helped build and implement the automated garbage collection system in 1996 (Sturgis was one of the first communities to go automated in South Dakota).

In addition to residential and commercial collections, Jay manages the Sturgis Rubble Site. He also implemented the first ever Recycling Program for the City of Sturgis. Jay has successfully obtained grants for the City of Sturgis, including one for an alternative daily cover machine that has helped extend the life of our restricted use Rubble Site.

Jay received his SWANA certified "Manager of Landfill Operations" designation in 2004 and has been a longstanding Board member of SD Solid Waste Management Association (serving as President 2009-2011). Jay has been the Public Works Sanitation Division Superintendent since 2012.



Kiwanis Food Drive November 7

The Annual Kiwanis Food Drive will take place on Saturday, November 7. Due to the COVID pandemic, several precautions will take place. Instead of going door to door to pick up donations, volunteers will be stationed at several locations around the city. Residents are asked to drive to one of the locations to drop off their donation between the hours of 9:00 AM and noon.

Drop off locations:

Lynn's DakotaMart at 1111 Lazelle Street
 Sturgis Elementary School driveway across from the Fire Hall
 Grocery Mart at 2216 Junction Ave.
 Harley-Davidson at 1040 Junction Ave.
 Sturgis Food Pantry at 801 6th Street



The Sturgis Kiwanis Food Pantry serves residents of Meade County at no cost. Those using the pantry can visit the pantry once a month to receive grocery items that are provided by private donations, the Federal Government and Feeding South Dakota.

Each month, hundreds of families are served by the pantry located in Sturgis. All families are required to register and get pre-qualified to receive food items based on income and need.

The local food drive redistributes food from the food drive to local residents. The Kiwanis food pantry is entirely run by unpaid volunteers.

Anyone wanting to be a part of this worthwhile effort can contact any member of Kiwanis or visit the Pantry on Monday, Wednesday or Friday, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 11:45 AM for information.

Suggested food items includes canned vegetables, macaroni & cheese, any pasta noodles, pasta sauces, jams and jellies, peanut butter, ketchup, mustard, canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, hamburger helper, small containers of vegetable oil, ramen noodles, canned fruit, breakfast cereal, flour, and sugar.

Monetary donations can be sent by mail to Sturgis Kiwanis Food Pantry, P.O. Box 4136, Sturgis, SD 57785.

Food or monetary donations may also be dropped off at the Food Pantry located at 801 6th Street, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between the hours of 9:00 and 11:45 AM.



Sturgis art students have custom painted several city plows that will be used for routine snow removal this winter. Mrs. Cammack's art students have taken part in this activity for the past five-years.



Community Thanksgiving
 Nov. 26 11:00 until 2:00
 Sturgis Community Center
 Everyone is welcome!



The Fall City-Wide Cleanup held October 5-9 resulted in the collection of 94 loads of rubble, 7 loads of branches, and 18 loads of metal. A total of 296 manhours were used on the cleanup.

Chamber's Crypt Haunted House
 October 28-31 in the Sturgis Armory.
 Open 5-8 PM nightly. \$5 admission.



Reminder - City ordinance requires all sidewalks to be cleared within 24 hours of a snowfall. When shoveling your sidewalk and driveway, place the snow on your lawn instead of in the street. This will help your grass and shrubs receive extra moisture during the winter months.

FYI - It is a violation of City Ordinance to place any amount of snow in the street. If you need help shoveling this winter, check the snow shoveling resource list on the City website.

If you would like to be added to the snow shoveling resource list as a service provider, contact the City Code Enforcement Office by calling 347-4422.



Sturgis Downtown Holiday Market Opens November 27

The Sturgis Downtown Holiday Market will open for the season on Friday, November 27. The Market will be packed full of local businesses, crafters, artists, and will offer kids activities.

The Market will be open on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays November 27 through December 20.

The Holiday Market will have two locations at 920 Harley-Davidson Way and at 1102 Main Street.

Market hours are Fridays 5-8 PM, Saturdays 10 AM-6 PM, and Sundays noon until 4 PM.

Local organizations will offer gift wrapping services via donations onsite. The Market offers the largest variety of locally sourced merchandise in the area. Gather your friends and stop by for a friendly and fun shopping experience.



Carolers and Kids Craft Organizers Needed

The City is seeking individuals to perform Christmas carols in the downtown area on weekends between Thanksgiving and Christmas. We are also in search of kids crafting activities supervisors.

These are paid positions. If you are interested in one of these part-time, temporary positions, contact Tammy at City Hall 347-4422.

Sturgis Community Center

Fall Membership Special & Food Drive November 2 - 8

New & Renewing Annual Memberships will receive 1 FREE month!



Get a Free Day Pass with the donation of a can of food or non-perishable grocery item. All food will be donated to the Sturgis Kiwanis Food Bank.

Community Center now offering Kids Yoga.

Saturdays at 11 AM.

Instructor: Tristyn Jackson - Certified Kids Yoga Instructor.

Cost: \$3 per class for members
 \$5 per class for non-members

Call 347-6513 to register.



Polls Open Nov. 3
 7 AM - 7 PM



The Public Works Department reminds residents living on designated Snow Routes to make sure you move your vehicles off the street when the National Weather Service forecast calls for snow. All Snow Routes are clearly posted and violators are subject to tow. Even if you don't live on a snow route, if possible, please park off the street to assist with plowing efforts.

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
 Noon - 6:00 PM Mon. - Thur.
 Noon - 3:00 Fri. - 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
 6:00 - 3:00 Mon. - Thur.
 6:00 - 10:00 AM Fridays
 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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Hours of operation are subject to change.