

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



Meetings and Notices

City Council Meetings - September 6 and 19. The meetings will begin at 6:30 PM. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1040 Harley-Davidson Way (please use the Sherman Street entrance).

Agendas and other meeting information will be posted on the City website calendar on the Thursday 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 on the City Facebook page.

2023 Budget - 2nd Reading of the proposed 2023 budget will be on September 6 during the City Council meeting.

Sturgis Hometown Market Opens October 14

Beginning October 14, the City of Sturgis will be hosting a *Hometown Market*. The market will feature products from local crafters, artists and producers.

The Market will operate Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am—6 pm and Sundays from Noon until 4 pm at 1123 Main Street.

Booth spaces are still available for rent.

Follow the Market on Facebook to learn about special events and new products. Contact Christina at 347-4422 for more information.



Officials

Mayor

Mark Carstensen

Council Members

Ward One:

Mike Bachand
Angela Wilkerson

Ward Two:

Beka Zerbst
Tony Dargatz

Ward Three:

Aaron Jordan
Preston Williams

Ward Four:

Kevin Forrester
Dean Sigman

City Manager

Daniel Ainslie

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

2023 Budget Includes Property Tax Reduction

The Sturgis City Council approved the 2023 budget on September 6. The proposed budget includes a reduction in property tax collections of \$100,000. These reduced collections along with the higher assessment of our community are anticipated to reduce the City mill levy of an owner-occupied property by approximately 19%. The City's mill levy has dropped 46% since 2012.

The proposed city tax rate assessed to all other properties, including business, industrial, and rental, will drop as well.

Meade Schools, Meade County, and the City use property tax dollars to provide services that citizens want; a safe place for their family to live, good schools, and high quality of life.

The first step to determine property tax for the school, city, and county is for the Meade County Assessor to assess the value of all property based on comparable sales and other data. Taxes are levied based on the most current value of the property.

The next step is to determine the amount of taxes needed to meet the costs of operating the Schools, the County, and the City. The higher the cost of operating these organizations, the larger the revenues required from property taxes. This is why growth and economic development are so important to the City; the more the City grows, the more our sales tax grows and contributing taxpayer base grows, which in turn reduces our dependency on property taxes.

Councilor's Corner

Councilor Williams - Being a freshman Councilman, I have been humbled serving the City. The amount of work done by our City staff on a daily basis truly amazes me. The number of events the city staff prepared, administered and maintained throughout the summer was incredible. The City produced more than a dozen individual events as we hosted the State's largest event, the 82nd Annual City of Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. This event alone brings 100s of millions of dollars into our state and region each year. Beyond these two weeks of incredible effort, numerous other events were planned, assisted, promoted and produced including Music on Main, the Sturgis Camaro Rally, the Mustang Rally, the Off Road Rally and the MusicFest. These events are a testament of the commitment our community and city staff make to ensure that our business environment grows. We should be proud as a community of the tireless efforts made to host hundreds of thousands of guests to our state.

It is because of the events we host and the hard work of the city staff, that we as a council can plan for our future and implement improvements to our infrastructure and recreational projects. Our 2023 budget is \$31.3 million which will reduce the City's mill levy by approximately 19% and reduces property tax collections by \$100,000. We have also adopted the 5 year capital improvement plan. As a council person, I appreciate comments and suggestions from our community, and it is my hope that as a council we strive to continue the progress of the past and toward our future to have a vibrant community for the businesses and attractive for future business investments.

Some key points, we, as a community can look forward to are: the development of Vanocker Canyon Estates, the start of the 12th Street Apartments, the hiring of our new City Engineer and our new Director of Communications and the start of the construction of the new 7th Street crossing.





STURGIS ALLIANCE OF CHURCHES

ANNUAL FALL CHILI COOKOFF



MONDAY OCTOBER 24th 4:30 TO 6:30 AT STURGIS COMMUNITY CENTER

82nd Annual City of Sturgis Motorcycle Rally Post Rally Summit

October 25, 9:00 am at the Community Center. Come learn about the economic impact, trends in lodging, attendees, attendance number, demographics and announcements for the 83rd!



Fall Swim Lessons

Levels 1-3
 Registration: Oct. 24-28
 Classes:
 Nov. 1—Dec 15
 Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:45 pm—4:15 pm
 4:30—5:00 pm
 \$25 Member
 \$40 Non member
 \$10 per additional child

The City Reminds People to Maintain Landscaping

City of Sturgis reminds all residents to make sure bushes, trees, and vegetation on their property are not spilling into or hanging over sidewalks, roadways, or alleys. Pursuant to Sturgis City Code 12.04.02, it shall be the duty of all landowners to keep all overhanging trees and bushes trimmed so that they do not hinder the use of sidewalks.



The limbs of trees or bushes hanging less than sixteen (16) feet in height above Lazelle Street, Main Street or Junction Avenue also need to be trimmed to ensure vehicular traffic is not obstructed.

The limbs of trees or bushes hanging less than twelve (12) feet in height above the driving surface of all other streets within the City limits need to be trimmed.

The full width of sidewalks shall be kept clear of all vegetation between the walking surface and eight (8) feet above the walking surface.

Thank you for keeping sidewalks and roadways safe for all to use and enjoy!

City offices will be closed on Monday, October 10 for Native American Day. The Library will also be closed on Monday, October 10. The Community Center will be open normal hours. Trash normally collected on Monday will be picked up on Tuesday.



Library Happenings

Youth

Toddler Storytime - Tuesdays @ 10am
 Preschool Storytime - Wenesdays @ 11am
 Mega Monday - Mon. 17th, 4-5pm. Snacks and games for ages 6-11. Every third Monday of the month.
 Tiny Tot Social - Fri. 28th @ 10am. Unstructured play time for toddlers.
 Kids Halloween Special - Fri. 28th, 11-12pm. Come dressed in costume for a Halloween storytime and games!
 WonderMath - 4th & 18th, 3:30-4:30pm. All ages welcome for STEAM powered fun.
 Trick or Treat! at the Library. Monday the 31st, 2-7pm. Everyone dressed in costume will receive a treat!



Teen

TeenTober Fridays! - 7th & 28th, 3:30-4:30pm. Ages 12+ are welcome at the library for pizza, popcorn and paranormal. We'll read scary stories around a "campfire" and be delightfully spooked!
 Teen Tuesday - 11th, 3:30-4:30pm. Ages 12+ can join us for snacks and games at the library. Every second Tuesday of the month.

Family & Adult

MusicSpeaks - 20th, 5:30pm. A discussion of all things musical. Every third Thursday.
 History at High Noon - 21st, 12pm. Presented by the Sturgis Area Arts Council.
 Learn a Line Dance! - 24th, 5:30pm. Anyone 13+ is welcome.
 Books on Tap - 27th, 6pm. Theme: Haunted. Location: The Hideaway Bar, in Whitewood. Read a book that fits the theme and join us to talk about each others reads, or come to listen. All 21+ welcome.

FALL REGISTRATION IS OPEN



CLASSROOM 1: "PARENTING - DISCIPLINE THAT CONNECTS" SEPT 29TH- OCT 27TH
 CLASSROOM 2: TOPICAL CLASSES (DISCIPLESHIP, SEWING 101, CALL FOR MORE INFO) SEPT 29TH- OCT 27TH

FREE CLASS | FREE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
 FREE MEAL | EVERY THURSDAY 5:30-7:15PM
BELIEVERS FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
 180 OLD STONE RD. STURGIS, SD
 CALL (605)206-3515 TO REGISTER TODAY!

K-6th Girls Basketball

Registration September 12—Oct. 3
 \$30 members, \$40 non-members

Fall Swim Lessons

Registration October 24-28
 \$25 members, \$40 non-members
 \$10 per additional child
 Classes Nov 1 –Dec 15 Tues & Thurs



Sturgis Golden K Annual Fall Fund Raiser

All you can eat Hobo Stew!

Sunday October 23rd from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Sturgis Community Center

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
 6:00 - 3:00 Mon. - Thur.
 6:00 - 10:00 AM 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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