

City of Dallas Center Newsletter

June 2018

City Hall

1502 Walnut St., PO Box 396

7:30-4:00 M - F

www.dallascenter.com

Library

1308 Walnut St., PO Box 521

Monday 9:00-5:00

Tuesday-Thursday 9:00-7:00

Friday 9:00-5:00

Saturday 9:00-12:00

www.dallascenter.lib.ia.us

Phone Numbers

City Hall	992-3725
Dallas County Dispatch	993-4567
Fire Dept (non-emergency)	992-4292
Library	992-3185
City Pool (summer)	992-3827

City Officials

Michael Kidd, Mayor 992-3648
mayor@dallascenter.com

David Bagby

Danny Beyer

Ryan Coon

Ryan Kluss

Curtis Pion

council@dallascenter.com

Reminder:

If you have a law enforcement matter that is not an emergency, please call Dallas County Dispatch at 993-4567 so they can dispatch a deputy. Please do not call City Hall as we cannot dispatch a law enforcement officer. Thank you!

Open burning is now closed. The next open burning period is October 1 – November 30. Thank you.

Do you want to get more involved with your City?

- The Application to Serve is available at City Hall and also on our website www.dallascenter.com.
- We currently have an opening on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

June 2018 Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 ♣	5	6	7 *	8	9
10	11 ♣	12 ♦	13	14 *	15	16
17	18 ♣	19	20	21 *	22	23
24	25 ♣	26 ♦	27	28 *	29	30
June 17 – Father's Day						
June 21 – Summer Begins!!						
♣ Yard Waste Pick-up						
♦ Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up						
* Garbage Pick-Up						

Utility "Fun" Facts

Do you ask yourself, "why is my bill so high?" Start tracking your water consumption! Since prices have not changed, consumption is the only thing that can affect your bill.

1. The current minimum monthly utility bill is \$72.55. Each household is charged for 3000 gallons of water and sewer each month. If you use 3000 gallons or less, your bill will be \$72.55. If you use more than 3000 gallons your bill will be higher.
2. On average, a person uses approximately 1000 gallons of water per month (this can vary slightly depending on if you are a high or conservative user). So, a family of 6 should use approximately 6000 gallons of water.
3. In the summer months, consumption is usually higher due to watering the lawn and/or a garden, filling a pool or letting the kids run through the sprinkler and other such summer time activities.
4. During other times or when you have no other explanation as to why your consumption is high you probably have a leak. The most common cause of high consumption is toilets. Because you can't see how much water actually runs through a toilet most people think it can't be that much when in fact it is. The next culprits, although not as common as a toilet, are water heaters, water softeners, outside spigots and dishwashers.
5. To help put it in perspective, a stream of water measuring 1/16" in diameter can add approximately 25,000 gallons of water to your monthly consumption. That translates to a very high monthly bill.

If you have any questions please call City Hall.

The Dallas Center City Council meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Legion Hall. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings.

"Council Corner"

- Council approved submission of a Wellmark Grant application for up to \$25,000 to 1. Finish the tennis court, 2. Finish roofs on the dug-outs, 3. Trail/school connector
- Council approved Resolution 2018-20 – disposing of and selling property at 1402 Walnut Street now belonging to the City of Dallas Center
- Council approved Resolution 2018-21 – approving Capital Improvement Program

A complete copy of the May 8th minutes is on file at City Hall and on the website.

Library News~

- June 7, 7:00 pm-Chad Lewis-Bizarre History of Iowa
- June 20, 7:00 pm-Adult Pinterest Party
- June 27, 7:00 pm-Library Board of Trustees meeting
- Story Time Wednesdays 10:00 am
- Summer Reading Program through July - see library for schedule & sign up
- Check out our new website!
www.dallascenterlibrary.com

Community News~

- ★ **Farmers' Market-** Trailhead (across from library on Walnut) on Fridays, June 1-Sept. 28 from 4:00-7:00 pm. Contact Donna Wagner at 992-3220 or drfire@juno.com.
- ★ **"NOT JUST ART IN THE PARK"** - LIVE MUSIC * ARTISTS * KIDS ACTIVITIES on Saturday, June 2 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm at Mound Park. A FREE family event with vendors of all kinds including artists, homemade, direct sales, food and more! Bring a chair or blanket to enjoy the events of the day along with music from Tony Valdez and The Rockets. Coolers are welcome but no hard alcohol is allowed.
- ★ **BACoon RIDE**-a 72 mile (or less by using optional starting points) bicycle ride on the Raccoon River Valley Trail featuring numerous bacon stops, a bacon-themed lunch and numerous drink specials at establishments along the way will be held on Saturday, June 16th and will be coming through Dallas Center from 7:00-11:00 am. Please come out and join the activities!

Pool News~

- The pool opening date has been set for June 4th.
- Open daily from 12:30-8:00 pm
- Daily admission is \$3.00, single pass is \$40.00, family pass \$100.00, punch card is \$30 for 15 punches. (10% Veteran Discount w/ proof)
- June 15 - Hawaiian Pool Party during pool hours
- If you have pool related questions, please call 992-3827 or email poolmanager@dallascenter.com.

Code Enforcement Reminders~

- ◆ With summer quickly approaching, I wanted to give you some reminders to help keep Dallas Center a place we can all be proud of.
- ◆ Mosquitoes-anything that will hold water is an invitation for a disease carrying mosquito. It only takes a hand full of water for a mosquito to lay eggs, so please don't leave open containers in the yard. Mosquitos lay their eggs in clumps called rafts, of 50 to 100 and they usually hatch in just a couple of days. It only takes a little water and an average temperature of 70 degrees for this to take place.
- Grass and Weeds – Please be a courteous citizen and neighbor and keep your lawn mowed.
- Also when mowing, **please do not blow your grass in the streets.** During a rain storm the clippings flow with the water and clog storm drainage grates and that could lead to flooding and damages to your property and your neighbor's property.
- ◆ Tall grass and weeds are not only unsightly they give cover for those bothersome and disease carrying mosquitoes.

Skating Rink News~

- ◇ The Skate Park will open June 1st and will be open every Tuesday and Friday (weather permitting), from 7:00-9:00 pm. Once again, Friday nights will be theme nights.
- ◇ June 1, Hat Night - Wear any hat you own and have fun!
- ◇ June 8, Camouflage Night - Wear your favorite Camou-wear
- ◇ June 15, In honor of Father's Day, bring your dad, grandpa, uncle, brother, or mentor to Skate Night
- ◇ June 22, NASCAR Night - Racing night...get ready to rumble!
- ◇ June 29, Halloween in June - Your chance to wear your favorite costume more than once this year!

2018 Fall Festival – August 24 & 25!

- ❖ Do you or your organization have an activity or event that you would like listed on the Event Schedule? If so, contact Lezlie Ellerman via lezlie.ellerman@yahoo.com or 515.240.8626.
- ❖ VOLUNTEERS are needed to help with the Fall Festival. Please contact Diana Hawbaker via dianahawbaker@gmail.com if you would like to participate. Come join in the fun!
- ❖ TRACTOR SHOW: Last year we had many requests to bring back the Tractor Show. We need someone to step up and volunteer to run it. You will have help from other committee members! Please consider volunteering for this event by contacting Maureen Whited via bmwhited@sprynet.com or 515.992.4298 no later than Saturday, June 30th.
- ❖ If you or your organization are planning a food booth, contact David Bagby via davidbagby@hotmail.com or 515.208.4527. For nonfood vendors, contact Susan Collins via dc.artinthepark@gmail.com. Cost is \$30 for one day or \$50 for both days. The fee is waived if you are a local non-profit. All booths and vendors must register in advance. Visit our website dallascentercelebrations.com to download the vendor form.
- ❖ Stay on top of the latest news about this year's event by visiting our website often at dallascentercelebrations.com, then click on Fall Festival.

Park and Recreation News~

- The library has tennis rackets and discs for disc golf for people to use.