



# City of Dallas Center Newsletter

October 2018

## City Hall

1502 Walnut St., PO Box 396

7:30-4:00 M-F

[www.dallascenter.com](http://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](http://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 Officials

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[mayor@dallascenter.com](mailto:mayor@dallascenter.com)

David Bagby

Danny Beyer

Ryan Coon

Ryan Kluss

Curtis Pion

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

City Hall will be closed on Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> for employee training.

**Open Burning** is allowed from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm until November 30<sup>th</sup>. Please burn only when the wind is calm and do not burn wet debris that causes excess smoke. NO burning on the city streets and never leave a fire unattended.

**Please remember there is no burning the entire day designated as Beggar's Night.**

**Street light outages** can be reported by going to our website [www.dallascenter.com](http://www.dallascenter.com) and clicking on the Submit Streetlight Repair Request.

## October 2018 Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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7	8 ♣	9	10	11 *	12	13
14	15 ♣	16 ◇	17	18 *	19	20
21	22 ♣	23	24	25 *	26	27
28	29 ♣	30 ◇	31			
* Garbage Pick-Up						
♣ Yardwaste Pick-Up						
◇ Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up						
Beggar's Night – October 27 <sup>th</sup>						

## Beggar's Night Festivities on October 27<sup>th</sup>

- 🍂 The Seasonal Fun Committee will be holding festivities on Walnut Street from 3:30-5:30 pm
- 🍂 Some of the events being planned are: Games & Costume Contest, Trunk or Treat and much more!
- 🍂 Haunted House at the library
- 🍂 Hot dogs and chili at the Fire Station
- 🍂 Trick or treating will run from 6:00-8:00 pm
- 🍂 See the insert included with your newsletter for additional information
- 🍂 Come bring your family out for some Halloween FUN!



## Utility Information~

### Water Service Excise Tax:

- 🍂 The Iowa legislature recently passed a new law which creates a Water Service Excise Tax (WET). WET exempts the sale of water service from state sales tax and Local Option Sales Tax (LOST), but imposes a 6% excise tax on the sale of water service. Beginning in July of this year, if you were previously subject to sales tax on your water consumption, you are now subject to WET tax instead.
- 🍂 WET taxes collected will be distributed into two funds by the State – the water quality infrastructure fund and the water quality assistance fund. These funds will provide money to the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and the Iowa Finance Authority for improving water quality in Iowa. Any remaining WET funds that are not distributed into either of these funds will be deposited into the State of Iowa's General Fund. Visit Iowa Department of Revenue's website [tax.iowa.gov/WET](http://tax.iowa.gov/WET) for more information.

### A Few Friendly Reminders:

- 🍂 Utility payments are due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. If the 15<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend or holiday the payment must be made before 9:30 a.m. the **first** business day following.
- 🍂 Payments made on or after the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month may not be reflected on your next bill.

If you are **interested in receiving emails from the City** updating citizens on things that are happening, please send your name and email address to City Hall at [cityhall@dallascenter.com](mailto:cityhall@dallascenter.com). Also like City of Dallas Center on Facebook!

### Library News~

- Story Time- Wednesdays at 10:00 am
- 🍂 Oct. 9, 3:30 pm-Book n A Bite Club
  - 🍂 Oct. 10, 1:30 pm -3:00 pm-Early out program (therapy pets)
  - 🍂 Oct. 16, 3:30 pm-Time Lords Book Club
  - 🍂 Oct. 18, 7:00 pm-Lit Wit Book Club
  - 🍂 Oct. 27, 3:30 pm-Library Haunted House
  - 🍂 Oct. 31, 7:00 pm-Library Board of Trustees Meeting

If you have extra garbage or large items (chairs, couches, mattresses, etc.) to dispose of, you can purchase **garbage stickers** at City Hall or the Roy R. Estle Memorial Library. The cost per sticker is \$1.50 (this does not cover appliances).

**Interested in serving on a City Board or Commission?** We currently have an opening on the Board of Adjustment. Go to our website at [www.dallascenter.com](http://www.dallascenter.com) and complete an application to serve. <http://dallascenter.com/forms/applicationtoserve.pdf>

This year was the eleventh year for the Dallas Center Farmer's Market. **A great big thank you to Donna and Dan Wagner** for running the Farmer's Market again this year. Your many hours of service are greatly appreciated!

### Fire Department News~

- ◇ Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup>
- ◇ The theme this year is "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware- fire can happen anywhere."
- ◇ Please check the batteries in your smoke detectors.

### Council Corner

- Notes from September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting
- ◇ Council set October 27<sup>th</sup> as Beggar's Night.
  - ◇ Council approved Resolution 2018-37 –proposing to dispose of and sell property at 204 15<sup>th</sup> Street and setting a public hearing for 7:00 pm on October 9, 2018.
  - ◇ Council approved Resolution 2018-38-adopting Amendment No. Five to the Urban Renewal Plan.

Complete copies of the minutes are available on our website at [www.dallascenter.com](http://www.dallascenter.com) or City Hall

### Community News~

- 🍂 The **Dallas Center Food Pantry** would like to say THANK YOU to the community and businesses for the food drive donations and support during Fall Festival. The food pantry is open every Tuesday 4-6pm at the Methodist Church or by calling 515-478-6744. Volunteers are needed too! If you are interested in learning more contact us at [dcfoodpantry@outlook.com](mailto:dcfoodpantry@outlook.com). Looking for other food resources in Dallas County? Check out [www.hungerfreedallascounty.org](http://www.hungerfreedallascounty.org).
- 🍂 **Medicap Pharmacy is offering flu shots** Sept. 24-Nov. 17 and they will donate meals to the Iowa Food Bank for flu shots given. You can visit [iowaflushots.com](http://iowaflushots.com) for more information.
- 🍂 **It's time to Join Scouting!!** We have a great group of over 30 youth engaged in fun, educational, and exciting programs this year. All boys and girls in K-5<sup>th</sup> grades who are interested are invited to JOIN our Pack meetings throughout the year. We meet the third Monday of each month from 6:30-8:00 PM at the United Methodist Church in Dallas Center. Call Cubmaster Ben Chiochon at [515-802-5579](tel:515-802-5579) or email [bchiochon@gmail.com](mailto:bchiochon@gmail.com) with questions.
- 🍂 **Cub Scout Popcorn Time!!** This year there is more chocolate than ever!! If you want to support the Scouts who do so much for this community and have not been asked to buy yet, please contact me and I will make sure a Scout takes your order! Call Cubmaster Ben Chiochon at [515-802-5579](tel:515-802-5579) or email [bchiochon@gmail.com](mailto:bchiochon@gmail.com).
- 🍂 **Boy Scout Greenery-** Holiday decorating will be here before you know it! Dallas Center Boy Scout Troop 116 would like to deliver your holiday greenery fresh, directly to you. The Troop will be kicking off their annual fundraiser with door to door sales throughout the month of October. Order your favorite wreaths, swags, garland and more! If we miss you at home, items can be ordered by contacting any member of Troop 116 or by calling Joe Christensen (664-6186) or Lisa Howell (314-9129).
- 🍂 The holidays are just around the corner and don't forget to add the library to your list! Friends of the Estle Memorial Library will again be hosting their **annual silent basket auction** during the Dallas Center Holiday Celebration. More details will be available in the November newsletter.
- 🍂 **Merry Christmas!** Children's Christmas Store is in need of donations! Anything that can be used as a gift for mom, dad, grandparents, etc., would be appreciated. Call Lisa Howell at 992-3728 or 314-9129 (evenings) to schedule a pick-up or drop-off.

### City of Dallas Center Boards and Commissions

#### Library Board

Sue Beavers  
Robert Findlay  
Heather Willrich  
Katie Johnston  
Greg Cagle

#### Tree Board

Greg Cagle  
Gary Park  
Larry Davis  
Bob German (ex officio)  
Andy Schmitz (ex officio)  
Brian Slaughter (ex officio)

#### Park & Recreation Board

Mary Werch  
Ken Matteson  
Kathy Pantzar  
Bob King  
Dan Oberender  
Mark Mernone  
Amy Jarnagin

#### Planning & Zoning

Matt Ostanik  
Sylvia Miller  
Scott Bailey  
Jill Bejarno  
Thomas Strutt  
Abby Anderson  
Kari Boscaljon

**"Thank You" to these  
citizens for their willingness  
to serve the  
City of Dallas Center!**

#### Board of Adjustment

Gary Park  
Sandy Gannon  
Brian Osborne  
Todd Lawton

**Thank you** also to Chuck Comito and Rick Wilson who recently served on P&Z, Margie Kenyon who recently served on Park and Rec and CJ Lane who recently served on BOA for their service to the City of Dallas Center.