City of Dallas Center Newsletter



March 2022

City Hall
1502 Walnut St., PO Box 396
Monday-Friday 7:30 am – 4:00 pm
cityhall@dallascenter.com

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Library

1308 Walnut St., PO Box 521

Monday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Tuesday- Thursday 9:00 am – 7:00 pm Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm www.dallascenter.lib.ia.us

Phone Numbers

 City Hall
 515-992-3725

 Dallas County Dispatch
 515-993-4567

 Fire Dept-non-emergency
 515-992-4292

 Library
 515-992-3185

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 515-238-4485

City Officials

Danny Beyer, Mayor 515-992-3725 mayor@dallascenter.com

Angie Beaudet 515-992-3725
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Council members can be emailed at: council@dallascenter.com

The Dallas Center City Council meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Memorial Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings. Refer to the City Agenda if you prefer Zoom attendance.

Open Burning is March 15th-May 10th from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm (the fire must be out by 8:00 pm!)
Please burn only when the wind is calm and don't burn wet debris.
Burn only yard waste, no household trash. Absolutely NO burning on the city streets or sidewalks and never leave a fire unattended.

March 2022 Calendar of Events							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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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	31 *			
★ Garbage Pick-Up							
♦ Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up							
March 13th – Daylight Savings Time Begins							
March 20 th − First Day of Spring!							

Hello Dallas Center Residents!

Your City Council members have been busy working on the upcoming fiscal year budget and we wanted to share some information on upcoming projects and the 2022-2023 levy rate. Below is a brief overview:

- A total of \$132,286 of LOST funds will be used for property tax relief. We were able to allocate an additional 5% of this revenue due to recent increases for a total of 30% going directly to property tax relief!
- The levy rate decreased to \$12.59 from \$12.68 last year.
- Over \$200,000 from road use tax will be spent on street improvements throughout town.
- Parks and Rec is planning on a new updated basketball court in Mound Park and also adding additional playground equipment.
- The pool will open for this season and depending on construction timelines, we will begin work on the new pool this fall.
- A new salt building will be constructed for public works to keep our road salt out of the elements.
- A new truck will be purchased for public works.
- The first phase of the Walnut Streetscape project will get underway later this year.
- Sidewalks will be replaced along Walnut Street in an effort to continue to make Dallas Center easier to walk and access.

All of this and more while keeping property taxes in check. Look for additional updates as the year continues and thank you to all of our wonderful community volunteers who continue to make Dallas Center the wonderful small town it is! Danny Beyer, Mayor

Safety Reminder- If you are out walking, jogging or running in the dark, please remember to wear light colored or reflective clothing or perhaps a flashing light of some sort so that drivers can see you. Please be safe!

Street tree maintenance ~ The City is receiving bids to remove tree branches or trees in the right-of-way that have been found by the Dallas Center Tree Board to be damaged or diseased. The Homeowner's that will be affected will be receiving a letter in the near future regarding the work to be completed. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact City Hall at 515-992-3725 or email cityhall@dallascenter.com

Library News

- Mar. 2, Pop-Up Produce pickup
- Mar. 9, 3:30 pm-Book 'n A Bite Club
- Mar. 10, 7:00 pm-Adult Pinterest Party
- Mar. 17, 7:00 pm-Lit Wits Book Club
- Mar. 30, 7:00 pm-Library Board of Trustees Meeting
- Wednesdays, 10:00 am-Story Time

Pool News

- Swimming Pool Pre-Season
 Family Pass Sale will be offered later in the Spring.
- Applications for assistant pool manager and summer lifeguards are being taken until March 31st (or until we have enough guards).
- If you are interested in contracting with the City to run the Swimming Pool Concession Stand, please contact City Hall at 992-3725.

Water Main Breaks during nonbusiness hours, please call Dallas County Dispatch at 515-993-4567. They will contact the appropriate people immediately.

City-Wide Garage Sale ~ May 14th

- We will put together a map of the addresses at no charge.
- If you want your address on the map, please fill out the form below and return to City Hall or email the information to: cityhall@dallascenter.com by April 13th.

Community News

- Ministerial Alliance is hosting an Ash Wednesday Lenten lunch March 2nd from 11:45 am-12:45 pm at Dallas Center Church of the Brethren (1207 Ash St). Free-will offering, light lunch provided. You are also encouraged to bring a canned food item to donate to our local food pantry. Contact Pastor Laura Leighton-Harris at 515-992-3117 for additional information.
- Brenton Arboretum is hosting a 2-hour, hands-on tree pruning and care program on Saturday, March 26th from 9:00 am-11:00 am. Dress accordingly. Visit www.thebrentonarboretum.org for more details.
- The **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** will be Saturday, **April 16**th at 10:00 am in Heritage Park. Kiddos will scramble for a chance to collect the 2,022 Easter eggs, meet the Easter Bunny, get crafty and more! Stay tuned for more information! To volunteer with this event, please contact seasonalfundc@gmail.com or reach out on their Facebook site.
- The **Seasonal Fun Committee** is seeking volunteers to create themed celebrations for our community. Whether it's joining the core committee or helping the day of the events, they need **YOU**. To become a part of the fun, please contact us at: seasonalfundc@gmail.com or on Facebook at facebook.com/DCSeasonalFun/
- Dallas Center Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00 pm. Walk-in, no appointment needed. Located at 1504 Walnut Street in the Methodist Church Education wing. Email dcfoodpantry@outlook.com Please stop in or call 515-478-6744 for more information.
- SAILDC News: SAILDC volunteers now drive people who live within 7 miles of Dallas Center who have had their Covid shots. They take people to and from doctors or shopping as needed. They also shovel sidewalks and driveways as needed (hopefully they're done for the season). They also have a volunteer who will make and deliver a variety of healthy broth options for people who need that help. The goal of SAILDC is to help everyone live independently as long and as well as possible. Call or text 515-344-2074 for assistance.
- City Wide Garage Sales will be held on Saturday, May 14th.
- **Big Garbage Day** will be held on Saturday, **May 21**st. No regular garbage will be collected on this day.
- 2022 Dallas Center Fall Festival will be held Friday & Saturday, August 26th & 27th. Volunteers are greatly appreciated and needed to help with the Fall Festival. They need help before the event, during the event, and after the event. Even if you can only spare 30 minutes of your time, they can find a spot for you to help. Send an email to DallasCenterCelebrations@gmail.com if you are interested in participating. Come join in the fun!

City-Wide Garage Sale Application May 14, 2022

Name: Address: Brief List of Sale Items:

Please return to City Hall by April 13th