

# City of Dallas Center Newsletter

November 2019

## City Hall

1502 Walnut St., PO Box 396

7:30 – 4:00 M-F

cityhall@dallascenter.com

www.dallascenter.com

## Library

1308 Walnut St, PO Box 521

Monday-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

Ed Leedom (compliance) 238-4485

## City Officials

Michael Kidd, Mayor 992-3725

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

David Bagby 992-3725

Danny Beyer 992-3725

Ryan Coon 992-3725

Ryan Kluss 992-3725

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Council members can be emailed at:

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

The Dallas Center City Council meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in Memorial Hall (1502 Walnut Street). Everyone welcome!

**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. There is no burning on the city streets or sidewalks and never leave a fire unattended. Thank you.

## Last call for Yard waste!

The last day for yard waste pick-up will be Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> and will resume the first Monday in April 2020.

## If you are interested in receiving emails from the City,

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!

## November 2019 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
* Garbage Pick-Up						
♣ Yardwaste Pick-Up						
◇ Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up						
Daylight Savings Time Ends – November 3 <sup>rd</sup>						
Election Day – November 5 <sup>th</sup>						
Veteran's Day – November 11 <sup>th</sup> (City Offices Open)						
Thanksgiving Holiday – November 28 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> (City Offices Closed)						

## City Tax Levy Information

Some citizens have contacted the city regarding increases shown on property tax statements, the 6.54% references the **total revenues** (tax dollars) collected by the City through property taxes. **That does not mean that the individual taxes of residents increased by that amount**, because there are other components of the total tax dollars collected – such as increased property valuations made by the County, changes in the state-mandated “roll-back”, and the addition of new properties to the tax rolls that were not taxed last year, all of which are out of the Council’s control. **In short, we are fortunate to be a vibrant, growing community and new houses and businesses = more tax dollars to the city.**

In March 2019, the City Council voted to approve a budget that set the city tax levy at \$12.67557/\$1000 of taxable valuation (previous city tax rate was \$13.35773/\$1,000). This happened to be a **decrease** of \$.68216 (approximately 5%) per \$1,000. If you have questions, feel free to call City Hall.

## Friends of the Library Gift Basket Auction

- Support the library by donating a gift basket for auction. Community groups, businesses and families show your love for our wonderful library by dropping off a gift basket for auction any time in the month of November.
- Baskets will be on display beginning in November, so stop in and bid on your favorites!
- The auction will take place December 7<sup>th</sup> during the Holiday Celebration, make sure you are there so your favorite basket doesn't get away!

**Brew Fest** was another success this year! SAILDC and the Dallas Co Sheriff's Dept. “Shop with a Cop” would like to **thank the DC Brew Fest Committee** and participants for their generous time and monetary donations!

Items are still being accepted for the **Holiday Store**. Please contact Lisa Howell at 314-9129 or 992-3728 for more information.

**Interested in serving on a City Board or Commission?** Go to our website at <http://dallascenter.com/forms/applicationtoserve.pdf> and complete an application to serve. We currently have an opening on Plan and Zoning. Due to gender equality laws, we need to fill this vacancy with a female candidate.

### Library News-

#### Story Time-Wednesdays at 10:00 am (no story time November 27<sup>th</sup>)

- Nov. 6, 4-6 pm-Pop-up Produce
  - Nov. 12, 3:30 pm-Book'n A Bite Club
  - Nov. 14, 7:00 pm-Adult Pinterest Party
  - Nov. 20 1:30 pm-Early Out Program
  - Nov. 21, 7:00 pm-Lit Wits Book Club
  - Nov. 21, 7:00 pm-Adult Coloring
  - Nov. 27, 4:00 pm-Close Early
  - Nov. 28-29-Closed for Thanksgiving
- November is Food for Fines Month. Bring in a non-perishable food item to reduce fines. 1 item=\$1.00. All proceeds benefit the DC Food Pantry.

### Winter Reminders~

**Streets**-During snow events when plowing will be necessary, please remove all vehicles from City streets, alleys or City owned off-street parking areas. Vehicles parked in the street may be fined, towed or both. The parking ban will continue from the beginning of a snowfall to 24 hours after the snowfall has ceased.

**Sidewalks**-you have 24 hours after the snowfall to clear your sidewalk or the City may do so and bill the property owner.

**Fire Hydrants**-it is property owners' responsibility to clear the snow away from hydrants.

### Pet Licenses Reminder

- Don't forget to license your pets annually (before February 1, 2020). Renewals for 2020 are now being accepted at City Hall. Be sure to bring current rabies vaccination as we will not issue a license without this.

### Community News~

- The Dallas Center Fall Festival/DC Celebrations Committees extend a sincere "Thank You" to Raccoon Valley Bank, Karen Rittgers and Mitch and Ruth Hambleton for their generous donations to the 2019 Sesquicentennial, Fall Festival and Seasonal Fun activities.
- Three Sisters Barn Event Center will be hosting an open house** on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 1-5:00 pm at their facility located at 21663 R Avenue, Dallas Center. "From our vision to yours, a place to celebrate with family and friends" – Glenace Shank, owner.
- In honor of the **100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary**, the Dallas Center Legion Auxiliary will be hosting a "tea" on Sunday November 10, 2019 in the Legion Hall from 2:00 to 4:00 pm
- Medicap Pharmacy is offering flu shots** Sept. 23-Nov. 23 and they will donate meals to the Iowa Food Bank for flu shots given. You can visit [iowaflyshots.com](http://iowaflyshots.com) for more information.
- Watch for the **Hometown Christmas** event flyer in the December newsletter. Please like the Dallas Center Seasonal Fun Committee Facebook page for the most up to date information <https://www.facebook.com/DCSeasonalFun/>
- The **Beta Sigma Phi Holiday Home Tour** will be Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:30-4:00 pm. Advance tickets are \$10.00 (\$12 the day of the tour). Tickets available in advance at City Hall, the Library, from any Beta Sigma Phi member, or by contacting April Scrivner at 515-490-8371. Tickets available the day of at The Suites at 1400 Walnut.
- First Presbyterian Church's Annual Christmas Program** "Gather in Love, Called to Serve, 150 years of Shining our Light" will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Refreshments will be served following the program. Come and start the Christmas season with joyful songs and fellowship.
- Waste Management Reminders:** if you are disposing of paint cans, they must be empty or the paint must be completely dried up. You can use kitty litter or just allow the paint to dry up over time. DO NOT throw paint cans with paint in them in with your trash.
- SAILDC** (Sustaining Active Independent Living in Dallas Center) is a nonprofit organization that provides free transportation for area citizens who need help getting to appointments or running necessary errands. Also, thanks to generous support from the DC Homebrewers Association, we will again offer snow removal services for those who can neither handle this task nor pay to have it. **Are you interested in becoming a volunteer driver? Do you need help with transportation? Will you need help with snow removal?** If so, please write to SAILDC, Box 123, Dallas Center, 50063-0123, or call #515-344-2074.

### City of Dallas Center 2020 Pet License Application

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle:

1.	Dog/Cat	M/F	Neutered/Spayed	Breed/Color: _____	Pet's Name: _____
2.	Dog/Cat	M/F	Neutered/Spayed	Breed/Color: _____	Pet's Name: _____
3.	Dog/Cat	M/F	Neutered/Spayed	Breed/Color: _____	Pet's Name: _____

Owner Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**No license will be issued without a current copy of the rabies vaccination attached to this application.  
Check with your vet as most will send you a copy upon request.**