

City of Dallas Center Newsletter

October 2020

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The Dallas Center City Council

council@dallascenter.com

meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm via Zoom (for the time being). The public is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. The agenda with the Zoom information can be found on the city's website at www.dallascenter.com.

Open Burning is allowed from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm until November 30th. Please burn only when the wind is calm and do not burn wet debris that causes excess smoke. NO burning on the city streets or sidewalks and never leave a fire unattended. Please remember there is no burning the entire day designated as Beggar's Night.

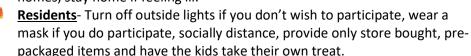
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Beggar's Night – October 31 st										

Beggar's Night Festivities on October 31st

The Seasonal Fun Committee will be hosting a city-wide parade starting at 4:00 pm (details in attached flyer) in lieu of Trunk or Treat.

The City Council has voted to hold a traditional Beggar's Night. Due to COVID-19, we do have the following recommendations:

<u>Trick-or-treaters</u> - Socially distance, wear a mask, keep groups small, remain outside of homes, stay home if feeling ill.



Happy Halloween

Saturday, October 31st

Trick-or-Treating

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Have you ever wondered how Dallas Center's tax rate compares to our neighboring communities? We have compiled that information for you by fiscal year.

LEVY RATE COMPARISON

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Grimes	12.91	12.91	12.91	12.81	11.71
Dallas Center	12.53	13.68	13.36	12.68	12.68
DeSoto	12.63	12.88	12.82	12.70	12.70
Waukee	13.50	13.50	13.40	13.40	13.30
Adel	14.55	14.30	14.28	14.26	14.30
Van Meter	15.40	16.16	15.20	14.75	14.66
Minburn	15.73	15.96	15.64	15.58	15.24
Granger	15.87	16.88	15.81	15.42	15.34
Woodward	17.35	16.77	17.99	17.34	15.92

A **big shout out to Nadine Stille** for taking over the Farmer's Market this year. We are extremely grateful to Nadine for stepping up to the challenge, especially this year!!!

Library News~

- Oct. 13, 3:30 pm-Book n A Bite Club
- Oct. 28, 7:00 pm-Library Board of Trustees Meeting.
- Story Time is every Wednesday at 10:00 am on the front lawn, weather permitting.
- Adult Pinterest take-home craft kits date TBD
- **Dallas Center Library Foundation:** work has started on Phase 2 of the library addition and remodel! We are very close to meeting our goals due to lower than expected bids! Enclosed please find a brochure with information on our project and donating. Please consider helping the library with a monetary donation, spreading the word or simply by positively supporting us. Stay tuned for more updates!

Fire Department News~

- Fire Prevention Week is Sunday. Oct. 4th to Saturday, Oct 10th.
- This year's theme is "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen"
- Please check the batteries in your smoke detectors.

Are you 60 or Older? Would you like to try Meals on Wheels for a week at no cost to you?

- Meals are prepared by chefs at Pearl Valley Rehab and Nursing in Perry using approved Meals on Wheels menus.
- Meals are delivered to your door around 11:00 am every weekday in the Dallas Center area (including Minburn) by volunteers.
- You can choose how many days a week you could use a meal (e.g. Monday through Friday, or MWF, or every day except Tuesday).
- Meals are billed once a month on a sliding scale based on your income but payments are donations and you can skip payments in months that the budget is really tight.
- For more information, to see menus, or to request trial meals, call Bob King at 515-344-2074

Community News~

- The **Dallas Center Food Pantry** is open every Tuesday from 4:00-6:00 pm at the Methodist Church. You can also contact them by calling 515-478-6744 or emailing dcfoodpantry@outlook.com.
- Ribbon Cutting Celebration will be held on Saturday, October 17th at 1:00 pm at the Burnett Complex. We're celebrating the end of ALL the upgrades done at ALL of the parks over the last year and a half (too many to list here)! Softball Girls will be there and some fun competitive events may happen!!! We hope you can join us!
- Medicap Pharmacy is offering flu shots on Sept. 23-Nov. 23 and they will donate meals to the Iowa Food Bank for flu shots given. You can visit www.lowaFluShots.com for more information.
- Sugar Grove Sunshine 4-H Club is beginning a new year. Boys & girls in 4th-12th grades are eligible. If interested, contact Lorna Grow lornagrow32@gmail.com or 515-238-2189 or contact Kristine Jimenez-gkjimenez@icloud.com or 515-321-5466.
- The Brenton Arboretum will host Alison Van De Pol, RN and Health Coach, and other special guests for an introduction to off road running on Sunday, October 11th from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. Join them to learn how to get started racing as well as tips and tricks to make this fun sport a challenge and a new activity to integrate into your fitness program.
- Cub Scout Popcorn Time!! If you want to support the Scouts who do so much for this community and have not been asked to buy yet, please contact Popcorn Chair Nicole Waller and she will make sure a Scout takes your order! Email Nicole at arty.nicki@gmail.com.
- Boy Scout Greenery 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. If we miss you at home, items can be ordered by contacting any member of Troop 116 or by calling Joe Christensen (515-664-6186) or Tim Wineland (515-710-8336).

City of Dallas Center Boards and Commissions

Library Board Tree Board Park & Recreation Board Sue Beavers Greg Cagle Mary Werch Robert Findlay Gary Park Ken Matteson Heather Willrich Hannah Slaughter Susan Collins Katie Johnston Bob German (ex officio) Bob King Greg Cagle Andy Schmitz (ex officio) Nadine Stille Brian Slaughter (ex officio) Gary Licht Planning & Zoning Amy Jarnagin

Matt Ostanik Kristi Northway Daniel Willrich Kevin Deaton Thomas Strutt Abby Anderson Kari Boscaljon

"Thank You" to these citizens for their willingness to serve the City of Dallas Center! We couldn't do it without volunteers!

Board of Adjustment

Gary Park Sandy Gannon Eliza Johnson Todd Lawton Bret Van De Pol

Central IA Regional Housing Auth (CIRHA)

Robert Findlay

Property Maintenance Appeal Board Dianne Erickson

Dave Steinick **Dustin Thomas**

Dallas Co. Local Housing Trust Fund

JoAnne Ramaeker

Thank you also to Sylvia Miller, Brian Osborne, Dan Oberender, & Mark Mernone who have recently served on various boards, for their service to the City of Dallas Center.