City of Jasper Newsletter 2015



December 8, 2015 @ 7:30 p.m. Jasper Council Room Subsequent Truth-in-Taxation Public Meeting

2015 Tax Levy & Budget

Jasper Development Corp-Retail Committee Presents:

Christmas in the Village,

Friday, December 4, 2015

Jasper Memorial Hall



Legion Auxiliary Supper Serving from 5-7 pm: Hot turkey sandwiches or hot dog, chips, pie & a drink.

Quilt Raffle Sponsored by the Jasper Quarry Lions. Tickets can be purchased at Peoples Bank in Jasper or from any Jasper Quarry Lions Members.

Peoples Bank Sponsored Kids Coloring Contest: Pickup entries & rules at bank. Sheets must be returned to Peoples Bank in Jasper by December 3rd.

Drawings: A boys and girls bike will be given away along with gifts and cash prizes throughout the night.

Come and Shop our Vendors for Christmas Gifts!















## City of Jasper's Snow Plowing Policy

It happens every year, it snows and there are still vehicles on the street. It really shouldn't matter if you are new to town or if you've lived here for years-you want the streets
cleared of snow! The only way the Public Works Department can do a good job is if ALL
THE VEHICLES ARE OFF THE STREET! Please do NOT leave a vehicle on the street if you
leave town during the wintertime. After a SNOW EMERGENCY (snow 2" or more) has
been declared, it is illegal to park on any street until the street has been completely
cleared curb to curb for a length of a city block. "The Public Works Superintendent shall
decide when to begin snow or ice control operations. The criteria for that decision are:



- A. Snow accumulation of 2 inches or more;
- B. Drifting of snow that causes problems for travel;
- C. Icy conditions which seriously affect travel;
- D. Time of snow fall in relationship to heavy use of streets.

Snow & ice control are expensive and involve the use of limited personnel and equipment. Consequently, snowplowing operations will not generally be conducted for snowfall of less that 2 inches... from City of Jasper Snow/ice Maintenance Policy.

Our city crew tries to get out VERY EARLY in the morning in order to have the streets cleared for everyone's convenience, but we need everyone's cooperation.

To avoid a violation/ticket (defined in Ordinance No. 83) we suggest that you find off-street parking for your vehicle. Vehicles in violation will be ticketed and subject to towing. You may park in your driveway, on the boulevard, a convenient place on your property, or-with permission-on a neighbor's property. It is very important to listen to the weatherman. When he is talking about bad weather, please use off-street parking. Once the snow is cleared, you may again park on the street. The only exception to the ordinance would be for those items that it will be impossible to have all the snow removed on Wall St. before businesses are open. When this is the case, the Public Works Department asks that customers, park parallel to the curb rather that diagonal to the curb until all the snow is plowed and removed.

We appreciate your cooperation! Obeying these regulations will not only allow for better snow removal, but save taxpayers dollars. It will make City snow removal a safer and better operation. Let's give our Public Works Department a chance to do their job, excellent job of snow removal! Everyone will be happier in the long run. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*CITY CODE SECTION 8.09: Subd. 1: It is unlawful for any person to stop, park or leave any vehicle upon any street for a continuous period of twenty-four (24) hours! City Code is all year long!

## Welcome to all new 2015 Residents of Jasper!

On behalf of the Jasper City Council and Jasper City Employees...We're glad you have chosen the City of Jasper as your new home! As a resident you will enjoy the very best in municipal services and programs!

Mike & Jean Dahms Jerry & Janine Aaland Heather Stangeland

Jeffrey Kunard Brian & Kristine Persing Brittany Hoffman

Sherry Luttrell Lloyd & Tammy Thompson Eduardo Larios

Ryan & Shannon Kuyper Jamie & Peggy Jo Harwick Angela Vagt

Casey Warkenthien David BeQuette Brandon Damman

Larry & Donna Lane Eric & Kristie Walberg Sarah Sundt

Jimmy Spreeuw & Gina Wiebe Bev Jenkins Nathan Moshier

Cody Balster Courtney Smith

#### **REMINDERS & NOTICES:**

- The City Office will be CLOSED on December 25th & January 1st. We will be closing at noon on Christmas Eve;
- ATV or Golf Cart License for 2016 available now at the City Office for \$10 each. Remember to bring in the DNR registration & a
  valid drivers license;
- Van Dyke Sanitation requests you have the garbage tote on the boulevard before 5 a.m. or the night before pickup. Extra garbage tags sold at the City Office, 10 for \$10;
- Please remove garbage totes from the boulevard within 24 hours after pickup. Snow plows are coming & totes are costly to replace;
- Always look for water leaks at your residence or on City property. Report leaks to the City ASAP;
- Building permits needed for remodeling, adding deck/shed. \$50 penalty if not purchased before the project begins;
- Do not let your dogs or cats run loose and pickup their manure when on others property, including City property. No barking! Any problems? Contact Pipestone County Law Enforcement at 825-6700 or the Anonymous Tip Line at 825-6792;
- REMEMBER Quartziter Days in August;
- If you have any concerns or complaints on City matters, please come to the Council Meetings. Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Room, located at 105 Wall St E. Meetings are open to the public. If you don't want to stay for the whole meeting, check with the City Office at 348-3701 to setup a time on the agenda;
- Council minutes available at the City Office and Peoples Bank;
- Please keep corner intersections visible for cars & pedestrians;
- Make sure your insurance policy covers your fire call charges.
- Water payments are due on the 20th of each month. You can drop off the payment in the City Office drop box, pay at Peoples Bank, sign up for automatic withdrawal or pay at the City Office during open hours. If you or you know of someone that is having trouble paying their bills, ATLAS FOR LIFE in Pipestone could possibly help. There phone number is 507-562-5777. Avoid the \$10 late fee. If you are late every month that's \$120.00 per year (2 payments). NO PAYMENT, NO SERVICE!



#### Become a Member Today!

Why join the Jasper Wellness Center? You will find a great facility for working out and getting into shape! Exercise is good for the body, but did you know that exercise is also good for the mind? Research has shown regular exercise delivers a mental and emotional boost. It improves your mood, boost your self-esteem and gives you the confidence to handle whatever comes your way! So whether you are interested in shedding some unwanted pounds, remaining physically fit or being energetic for the rest of the day, getting a membership may be just what you need.. Stop by the City Office or give Cortney a call at 507-348-3701 000092 to sign up!



Children playing & ice/snow is coming! Do not overdrive. Please drive with caution!





THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED TO THE 2015 UNITED FUND CAMPAIGN! DISTRIBUTION TO VARIOUS CHARITIES & ORGANZIATIONS ARE MADE THE 1ST PART OF DECEMBER.

WITHOUT YOUR GRACIOUS

CONTRIBUTIONS, THIS COULD NOT HAVE BEEN MADE POSSIBLE!

CITY OF JASPER

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In Case of Emergency: Public Works
Cells:

Brian 507-204-0999

Chuck: 507-820-0485



'Tis the Season for Savings!!! Did you find your SWG bill number in this newsletter? If so, stop by or call the City office to receive \$5 off your SWG bill!

WE'RE ON THE WEB!
CITYOFJASPERMN.COM

Find us on Facebook!



### Christmas Tree Pickup

Monday, January 4th



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# Please keep corner intersections visible for cars & pedestrians!



#### City of Jasper's Yard Waste Site...

Reminder the yard waste site is only for yard waste items: grass, leaves, garden plants, tree branches, etc. NO ILLEGAL DUMPING of other items! No painted/varnished wood, carpet, etc. Do not



leave items in bags! You will need a key from the City Office to enter the yard waste site. If key is NOT returned within 24 hours (48 hours if taken over the weekend), \$5 will be added to your SWG bill.

#### 2016 Recycling Schedule

VanDyke Sanitation Observes the Following Holidays...New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving & Christmas, pickup will be on Friday if Holiday is during the week. If Holiday falls on a weekend, garbage pickup will remain as usual.

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HAVE A SAFE & AHAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE JASPER CITY COUNCIL & CITY STAFF!!

At the holiday season, our thoughts turn gratefully to those who made our success possible. It is in this spirit we say...thank you & best wishes for the holidays and a Happy New Year!