

Moville News

October 2018

CITY IMPROVEMENTS AND ADDITION

September saw the start of many exciting projects for the City of Moville. During the first week of September there was a hotdog supper put on by WiaTel at the Moville Farmer's Market to help draw a crowd to learn more about the Community Visioning program that is currently taking place. This event gave residents the opportunity to look at "vision boards" that were created by Architectural Engineers to help residents envision what some small (and large) changes could be made in Moville and what the outcome would be. There was very positive feedback from residents about various suggested projects and excitement about the outcomes of those potential projects.

The last part of September saw much a anticipated and needed street construction on the West part of Logan Drive. While the initial start date was delayed due to weather conditions contractors were able to make good time on the road work once they were able to start.

Along with construction on Logan Drive, dirt work has started at the Meredith Lane addition. This is the area of town across the street from the Woodbury County Fair, behind the area the school busses park. The City has received a considerable amount of feedback from residents that there is a housing shortage. The addition of these homes will enable more families to call Moville home. Housing construction is slated to start in the spring of 2019 and the entire project is predicted to be completed in the fall of 2019.

Also, street construction in front of City Hall will be postponed until next spring. Contractors were planning on completing this section of the project this fall but with the rainy weather they are had to push the construction date for this project back. We appreciate everyone's patience and flexibility during this time of construction.



CITY NOTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETS:

October: 3rd & 17th
November: 7th & 21st
December: 5th & 19th

Meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Meeting start at 6pm. The public is welcome to attend.

City Hall will be closed November 22nd for Thanksgiving and again on December 25th for Christmas.

OPEN BURN:

September 29th through
October 14th

HYDRANT FLUSHING:

October 23rd & 24th

North of Main will be
10/23 and South of Main
will be 10/24.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Chamber Lunch

Oct 8th @12pm
Moville Community Center

Catalano's @ the Pavilion

Oct 22nd from 11am-7pm

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Oct 29th from 11am-7pm

Halloween Parade

Oct 31st starting at the
Senior Center @5:30pm

General Election

Nov 6th polls open 7am-9pm
@Moville Community Center

Chamber Lunch

Nov 12th @12pm
Moville Community Center

Veteran's Day Program

Nov 11th @5:30pm
Moville Community Center

Thanksgiving

Nov 22nd

Santa Day

Dec 8th from 11am-12:30pm
Moville Community Center

Chamber Lunch

Dec 10th at 12pm
Moville Community Center

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING PICK UP:

Garbage

Every Thursday
**Remember to put garbage
cans out Wednesday night as it
gets picked up early Thursday.*

**Garbage will be picked up
Nov 26th due to Thanks-
giving and Dec 28th due to
Christmas**

Recycling

Oct. 3rd, 17th & 31st
Nov. 14th & 28th
Dec. 12th

HALLOWEEN PARADE



The annual Moville Halloween Parade will be October 31st starting at 5:30pm at the Moville Senior Center (11 s. 2nd Street). Businesses and/or residents are welcome to line Main Street and hand out candy to trick-or-treaters.

Hot dogs, chips and a drink will be served at the end of the parade by the Woodbury Central Wrestling Cheerleaders at the Main Street Pavilion.

The meal is free thanks to the generosity of the Moville Chamber of Commerce, WiaTel and Security National Bank. The cheerleaders will also be accepting "tips" for their help with the meal and they will also be selling hot cocoa that evening.

Please stop by the Pavilion after the parade to feed your ghosts, goblins

***Don't forget to set clocks back one hour on
November 4th for Daylight Savings.***

SANTA DAY

The Moville Chamber of Commerce and WiaTel are proud to once again host Santa Day! The event will be Saturday, December 8th at the Moville Community Center from 11am-12:30pm.

Kids will have the opportunity to sit on Santa's lap and get a free picture with him thanks to our friends at WiaTel. Masons will be serving hamburgers and hotdogs from 11am to 12:30pm with a free will donation offering. Proceeds will go to the Community Basket.

There will be crafts for the kids to make, baked goods to buy and other vendors to check out while at the Community Center.



HOME ENERGY INSPECTION

Have you ever looked around your house to see if there were changes you could make to decrease your energy bill? Mid American Energy created this “Home Energy Inspection” check sheet to help you do just that. There could be a few easy changes you could make in your house to decrease your energy bill and save money. Check out the list below to see if there are any changes you could implement today.



	Yes	Not Yet
1. Do you turn off lights and computers and gaming systems when you are not using them?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you have light-emitting diode (LED) light bulbs in your home?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Do you wash most of your laundry in cold water?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Do you have energy- and water-saving showerheads?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Do you take short showers and/or half-full baths?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Do you run full loads in your dishwasher, clothes washer, and dryer?		
7. Do you use the “Air Dry” or “No-Heat Dry” setting on your dishwasher?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Do you close draperies or blinds to help keep the heat out during the summer and to help keep the heat in during the winter?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Do your doors and windows have weather-stripping and caulking to block drafts?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Has your family unplugged appliances you rarely use, such as a second refrigerator or freezer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Is regular maintenance done on your heating and cooling system—cleaning or replacing filters monthly and a yearly tune-up?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

FLUSHING HYDRANTS

Hydrants will be flushed in Merville October 23rd & 24th. The Merville City Crew flushes the hydrants two times a year—in the spring and fall. North of Main Street will be done on the 23rd, South of Main Street will be done on the 24th.

There are a few important reasons that hydrants are flushed:

- 1) To make sure all of the hydrants are working properly and there is adequate pressure available.
- 2) To remove sediment from the pipes in order to maintain water clarity and quality in the distribution pipes.

Q: What should I do after the flushing?

A: If the tap water is used during flushing, it could come out full of sediment and discoloration. If you encounter discolored water, shut the water off and wait several minutes. After waiting, check for clarity by running cold water for a few minutes allowing new water to work its way into your pipes. If not, wait a few more minutes and check again. We recommend using a tub or outside faucet to clear the line. In some cases, you may experience slight discoloration for a few hours. This discoloration only affects the appearance of the water; it does not affect the taste or water quality.

Q: Why does the water look funny after hydrant flushing?

A: When a hydrant is opened, there may be temporary incidents of discolored water containing fine sediment particles. There is no health hazard associated with discolored water. Allow a few hours for discoloration to dissipate. To verify the water has settled, allow your cold water tap to run a few minutes. If the discoloration persists for more than twenty-four (24) hours, please contact our Public Works department 873-3545.

SNOW EMERGENCY

The City of Merville has adopted a snow parking ordinance for the winter months. This Ordinance is to help get our streets plowed quickly and helps avoid personal property damage.



3-4-33 PARKING DURING SNOW EMERGENCY. No person shall park, abandon, or leave unattended any vehicle (including but not limited to cars, trucks, boats, trailers, campers, and all forms of recreational vehicle) on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area except as provided in 3-4-33A and 3-4-33B during any snow emergency unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has stopped accumulating. Whenever an unauthorized vehicle is found, the authorized municipal officer shall cause the vehicle be towed.

A snow emergency parking ban shall continue through the duration of the snow or ice storm and the seventy-two (72) hour period after cessation of the storm except as above provided upon streets which have been fully opened.

The ban shall be of uniform application. The Chief of Police is directed to publicize the requirements widely, using available news media each year. When predictions or occurrences indicate the need to declare a snow emergency the Mayor or Mayor's designee shall inform the news media and publicize the parking rules under the emergency. Such emergency may be extended or shortened when conditions warrant. It shall be conclusively presumed that any snowfall of two inches or more as officially measured at Sioux City, Iowa creates a snow emergency.

3-4-33A DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS. Parking shall be permitted during a snow emergency in the designated parking adjacent to Haskell Pool and the designated parking on the west side of the 200 block of North Fourth Street for periods of up to seventy-two (72) hours of continuous use.

3-4-33B SNOW EMERGENCY PARKING PERMIT. The council may grant an emergency snow parking permit, for cause, in individual cases in which compliance would create an extreme hardship. When granted the permit shall be displayed upon the dashboard of the vehicle. All such permits shall expire May 1 of each year.

3-4-33C MUNICIPAL INFRACTION. Parking a vehicle in violation of this section four or more times between November 1 and May 1 or leaving a vehicle in a designated parking area in excess of seventy-two (72) hours shall constitute a Municipal Infraction. A civil penalty of \$100 shall be imposed for each such violation, each day a violation continues shall constitute an additional infraction.

UTILITY BILL OPTIONS

The City of Merville is always looking for better and more efficient ways to serve residents. We received feedback that being able to use a credit/debit card as a payment option was something residents wanted as an option. You spoke and we listened! The link to pay your bill online can be found on the City website (visitmerville.com). From there you are able to add your account number and pay your bill online.

ACH (or automatic withdrawal) is also a very popular option, just fill out the form and we take care of the rest. An automatic withdrawal will be made around the 8th of the month and your payment will never be late.

Another new option for residents is the ability to receive your utility bill via email. If you would like to be set up to receive your utility bill via email please contact us to add your email information to your account. After that you will no longer receive a paper bill, rather an email with your utility bill information.

As always if you have any questions please give us a call at City Hall, 873-3545.