

# Moville News

October 2017

## City Elections

City Elections will be taking place in November, so what does that mean for residents of Moville? This year there are two open seats for City Council and one for the Mayor position. The process starts when individuals interested in running for the respective positions acquire an "Affidavit of Candidacy" and "Nomination Petition for Non-Partisan Office" papers. The candidate must garner at least 10 signatures from registered Moville voters; after those signatures have been received the documents are turned into City Hall by September 21. From there the information is turned into the County Auditor where an official ballot is created.

On November 7<sup>th</sup> Moville residents are welcome to cast their votes at the Community Center from 7am-8pm.

Running for Mayor: Jim Fisher and Kirk Lubbers

Running for City Council: Paul Malm, Ashley McCabe, Mike Ofert, Anessa Opsahl, Jonathan Keselring, and Matt Wise.

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## PROGRESS

If you have driven along Frontage Road you can't miss the two structures currently being constructed; Jensen Funeral Home and Lewis Drug.

Jensen took over the Christy Smith funeral home in Moville in 2016 and is looking to relocate their business along Frontage Road. Jensen already has two quality funeral homes in business; in Correctionville and Holstein.

Lewis Drug will take over the pharmacy business in Moville after longtime residents and philanthropists Russ and Buddie Spotts close the doors at the Moville Pharmacy on Main Street. We have appreciated all of the ways the current Pharmacy has served the community and look forward to working with Lewis Drug in the future.

While the date the doors will open at the new pharmacy isn't certain they have confirmed that there won't be a long lapse in service for residents; Friday they will close the doors on Main Street and open the following Monday in the new building.



## CITY NOTES

### CITY COUNCIL MEETS:

October: 4th & 18th

November: 1st & 15th

December: 6th & 20th

Meetings are held at City Hall at 6pm, the public is welcome to attend.

**Please note, the City Hall office will be closed November 23rd and 24th and December 25th in observation of Thanksgiving and Christmas.**

Residents are welcome to use the drop box on the East side of the building to remit payment.

If you would like to be added to our email list for the newsletter please send an email request to [deputyclerk@wiatel.net](mailto:deputyclerk@wiatel.net)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Columbus Day**  
October 9th

**Chamber Meeting**  
October 9th @ the Menville  
Community Center @ 12pm

**Halloween**  
October 31st

**Daylight Savings**  
November 5th

**City Elections**  
November 7th

**Veteran's Day**  
November 11th

**Chamber Meeting**  
November 13th @ the Menville  
Community Center @ 12pm

**Thanksgiving**  
**November 23rd**

**Santa Day**  
December 3rd @ the Menville  
Community Center

**Chamber Meeting**  
December 11th @ the Menville  
Community Center @ 12pm

**Community Basket  
Distribution**  
December 16th @ Menville  
Community Center

**Christmas**  
December 25th

## GARBAGE AND RECYCLING PICK UP:

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

**Recycling**  
October 4th & 18th  
November 1st, 15th & 29th  
December 13th & 28th

## HALLOWEEN PARADE



The annual Halloween Parade will be October 31st starting at 5:30pm at the Menville Senior Center (11 s. 2nd Street). Businesses 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 Menville Chamber of Commerce, WiaTel and Security National Bank. The cheerleaders will also be accepting "tips" for their help with the meal.

Please stop by the Pavilion after the parade and feed your ghosts, goblins and princesses before you continue trick-or-treating.

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## SANTA DAY

The Menville Chamber of Commerce and WiaTel are proud to once again host Santa Day! The event will be Saturday, December 3rd at the Menville Community Center.

Kids will be able to sit on Santa's lap and get a free picture with him thanks to our friends at WiaTel. Pictures will be taken from 9am-11am and Masons will be serving breakfast from 7:30am-11am with a free will donation offering.

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



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*Has anyone caught a glimpse of Santa arriving at the  
Community Center?  
If not, be sure to check it out this year!*

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## PLANT SOME SHADE PROGRAM

Plant Some Shade® is a residential tree-distribution program funded through MidAmerican Energy Company in cooperation with Woodbury County Conservation and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

### Distribution Details:

**Date: Thursday October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017**    **Time: 4:30 – 6 pm**

**Location: Riverside Park** (enter at swimming pool and follow markers to designated area), **1301 Riverside Boulevard, Sioux City**. **NOTE:** Trees MUST be picked up Thursday October 5<sup>th</sup> between 4:30 and 6 pm at Riverside Park. Any trees not picked up by 6 pm will be donated to Woodbury County Conservation.



**Available Species - \$30 per tree** (preorder limited to 2 trees per household)

Deciduous trees (3-10')

Northern pin oak (50-70' tall, 40-60' wide), Bur oak (60-80' tall/wide), Ginkgo 'Presidential Gold' \*SEEDLESS\* (40-50' tall, 30-40' wide), Hackberry (40-60' tall/wide)

Low-growing and ornamental trees (3-8')

Loebner magnolia 'Leonard Messel' (10-20' tall, 10-18' wide) and American hornbeam (20-35' tall/wide)

Conifers (2.5+')

Bald cypress (50-70' tall, 20-45' wide) and Black Hills spruce (20-40' tall, 10-15' wide)

**To order**, please visit [www.midamericanenergy.com/ia-res-trees.aspx](http://www.midamericanenergy.com/ia-res-trees.aspx); click on the link for Sioux City and follow the instructions on the order form.

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## FLUSHING HYDRANTS

Hydrants will be flushed in Merville October 25th-27th. Our City Crew flushes the hydrants two times a year-in the spring and fall.

There are a few important reasons that hydrants are flushed:

- 1) To make sure all of them 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.

Have you seen “SNOW PARKING IN EFFECT” aired on the local TV stations and wondered what that means? The City Council requests your cooperation in keeping vehicles off city streets during a snow emergency to allow city crews to safely remove snow. We recommend that before you retire to your home for the evening that you move all vehicles off city streets to avoid citations. Thank you for your cooperation.



### Cold outside?

Head to the Woodbury County Library and curl up by the fireplace with a good book!

Mon. & Wed. 8am-6pm  
Tues., Thurs., & Fri, 8am-5pm  
Saturday 8am-1pm



## GUIDELINES FOR 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.

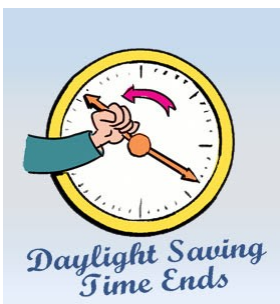
*If you are looking for more information on “snow parking” as well as school closures be sure to sign up for “Snowcap.” This system will send notifications to you via text or email. Registration information can be found at [snowcaponline.net](http://snowcaponline.net).*

## LIFT STATION

The City of Menville will be getting a new lift station to provide necessary sewer services to residents. The City Council voted to get a new lift station at the recommendation of the I&S group and the Menville Public Works Director. The current lift station has been in service for over 20 years, the estimated time span for lift stations is 10 years.

So what is a lift station? Usually, it's not something the general public thinks about until something goes wrong. A lift station is used to pump wastewater or sewage from a low level to a higher level when the gradient of the area does not allow for a natural flow. Essentially, it makes sure that everything you want to flow away from your house is flowing away from your house.

The new lift station will cost an estimated \$856,000. To help cover the cost there was an ordinance passed to increase the base cost for sewer rates. Previously the base rate was \$16.50, starting in October the base rate will be \$19.50. If you happen to notice an increase on your utility bill that is the reason.



*Don't forget to push your clocks back one hour on November 5th for Daylight Savings.*

## New Trails in Menville

On September 27th the City of Menville received a grant for \$80,000 from the Missouri River Historical Development (MHRD) to go toward the completion of more trails in Menville.

Currently there are two miles of trails located on the East side of Menville. The City has received feedback from residents that more trails would be a welcome addition to the City so we are working to meet those desires.

The City will release more details at a later date about the new trail.



## DISC GOLF COURSE IN MENVILLE

Great news, a group of individuals are working toward creating more economical outdoor activities for Menville residents! Not only will we have a beautiful sports court on Main Street, but now Robin Chute came up with the idea to install a disc golf course at the Menville youth soccer/football. He is currently working on finding funds to help cover the cost of the project and help the disc golf course come to fruition.

Disc golf is an activity in which players throw a disc at a target using similar rules to golf. They will be building a 9-hole disc golf course that will be free to the public to use. This will be a great addition for the community and a great way for community members to stay active.

Money for the disc golf course will be raised through sponsorships, grants and fundraising efforts. If you are interested in becoming a hole sponsor contact Robin at 712-899-7333.