

City of Lawton



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Water meter readings are generally taken around the 20th day of each month.
Invoices for water, sewer, garbage and landfill are sent on the 1st of each month.
These invoices are delinquent if not paid by the 20th of that same month.
A 10% Late Fee will be assessed on all delinquent accounts.

READINGS ARE ACTUAL THIS MONTH



The City of Lawton would like to thank the following for their monetary donations toward the purchase of new Christmas decorations. The new decorations will replace the ones that have been in use for several years on the street light poles along Cedar Street:

\$250.00 from MidAmerican Energy

\$400.00 memorial from Delbert & Lois McNaughton's Family

\$1,000.00 from other donors wishing to remain unnamed

Thank you for your kindness and generosity!!!

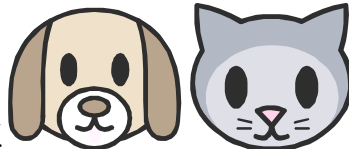
City Wide Rummage June 12

Renee Eyres has contacted City Hall with the dates of the 2010 City-Wide Rummage Sale. This year it will be held a week prior to Father's Day weekend on Saturday, June 12. Please contact Renee for further information at 944-5653 or by email at kreyres@netins.net.

Sarah Schoenherr will be assisting Renee in the preparations this year. Please give these ladies your full support if you plan to participate. If you don't plan to pay the fee, please don't try to reap the benefits.

The City-wide rummage sale is run entirely by volunteers. A big THANK YOU to Renee and Sarah for coordinating it this year!! Watch the newsletter and city informational sign for further details.

PET TAGS ARE IN



All dogs and cats must have a license issued by the City of Lawton in order to be kept within our city limits. A valid rabies certificate must be presented to City Hall before a license will be issued. Cost of licenses are \$5 for spayed or neutered animals and \$10 if not spayed or neutered. Licenses expire June 30 of each year. You can contact City Hall to see if your pets' current rabies certificate is on file.

HELP WANTED

The Lawton-Bronson Cub Scout Pack #264 is looking for a few good leaders! The group, which currently consists of 18 Cub Scouts in grades 1-5 is in need of leaders for the 2010-2011 school year. Anyone with an interest in scouting is encouraged to learn more. Previous Scout experience is not required and wonderful resources and training are available through the local Scouting office in Sioux City. If you're interested in helping with this group, please call Eric at xxx-xxx-xxxx or Heather at 712-944-5153. Thank You!

City Wide Clean-Up June 16

The Annual City-wide clean up day will be Wednesday, June 16. This is the Wednesday following the rummage sales and just prior to Father's Day. Appliance tags will be available at City Hall Monday & Tuesday, June 14 & 15. City Hall will be closed the week prior to that, so please make arrangements to get tags during the specified dates.

Appliance tags will be \$10 each and must be affixed to most appliances set out for pick up. Watch this newsletter for further details.

Hearing is one of the body's five senses. But listening is an art.

- Frank Tyger

BUILDING PERMITS: This time of the year always brings all those fun building projects to mind. The City of Lawton requires a building permit for all outside projects with the exception of certain landscaping projects. You MUST get an application, and it MUST be approved by the Building Permit Committee prior to any construction...including the moving of dirt prior to building. Pouring a cement slab or putting up a fence also require building permits from the City. Blank applications may be picked up at City Hall or downloaded from the city website. Fences that will be placed on your property line will also require the signature of the abutting property owner. You are responsible to locate your own property lines. The City does not have knowledge of these.

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG: Before doing any digging or disturbing of the ground, remember to call Iowa One Call at 1-800-292-8989. This is necessary with all projects, even the planting of trees or bushes. Iowa One Call will notify all necessary utility companies of the impending dig. Within 48 hours each company will come to your property and “locate” their underground lines. *If you dig before calling Iowa One Call, you are responsible for any damage that may occur.*

SIouxLAND COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK

The Siouxland Community Bloodmobile will be taking blood donations on Tuesday, April 6th, 2010 from 12:00 noon-5:00 pm at the Lawton-Bronson High School.

The Siouxland Community Blood Bank is the sole provider of blood to 37 local hospitals including St. Luke’s Hospital and Mercy Medical Center in Sioux City.

Blood may be donated every 56 days. You must be healthy and feeling well the day of donation. If you have questions about donating blood, you can contact the Siouxland Blood Bank at 1-800-798-4208.

LAWN WASTE CANS



CHN Garbage is the local garbage hauler for Lawton. They have contracted with the city to provide specially marked cans for residents to use for lawn waste. Cost of these cans is \$150 for the summer and they must be pre-paid before a can is delivered. Cans are picked up and dumped every week.

They will be picked up on Mondays by the regular driver. The higher-than-normal cost of these special lawn waste cans is due to the excessive tonnage that is incurred from grass clippings.

If you would like to get a can for your lawn waste, please contact City Hall. For those that currently have the special cans, you will be billed on your May bill unless you request to have it picked up prior to that time.

GARBAGE CAN PLACEMENT: Please remember that all garbage must be placed inside cans in order for it to be picked up. For proper dumping, can hinges should face your house with the lid opening toward the street. Lids should close completely. Also, do not set can closer than at least three feet from any object including other cans or vehicles.

TRAILER PARKING: Residents are reminded that trailers are not allowed to remain parked on city streets except to load and unload. This includes semi trailers as well as the smaller sport and utility trailers.

If you have need for a trailer to remain parked on the street longer than simply to load or unload, you may apply for a parking permit through City Hall. Cost of such permit is \$50/week with a maximum of six weeks. Council will need to approve each application at a regular Council meeting, so please allow yourself enough time to get approval before needing the permit.

Please Help Your Emergency Responders!!



Please be sure your house numbers are visible and easy to read from the street. It is recommended that you use

numbers at least 4” to 6” in height. It is not necessary that they are reflective in nature, however they should be a contrasting color from the background to aid emergency responders.

Also, if possible, PLEASE turn on a porch light or other outdoor light to bring attention to your home in an emergency situation.