



Box Elder City Newsletter

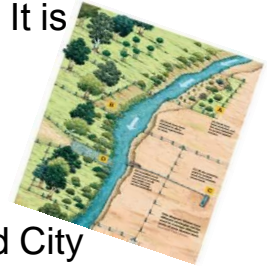
May 2016

From the Mayor's Desk,

The Box Elder annual cleanup week was a great success. We went through 34 dumpsters. Hopefully, everyone used the City's free week to clean up their property.

To celebrate Arbor Day we have had a coloring contest. The participants will join me on Saturday, May 14 (was changed from April 30 due to the weather), in Greenway Lot, 603 Vector Ct to plant a tree. There will be prizes awarded at the tree planting.

Don't forget to give your input at the 3rd Public Workshop, of the Ellsworth AFB Joint Land Use Study (JLUS). This was mentioned in last month's newsletter. It is scheduled for:



Date: Thursday, May 5, 2016

Time: 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Location: Black Hills State University Center, 4300 Cheyenne Blvd, Rapid City

Contact information: SDEDA, Scott Landguth, Executive Director, 605-719-3844

Larry Larson
Mayor



Memorial Day



City Council Members

Ward 1: Scott Allen, President • Bruce Hegel

Ward 2: Jeff Hollinshead • Doug Curry

Ward 3: Steve Cowley, Vice Pres. • Tricia Weathers

May: Important City Dates

City Council Meetings: May 3, 17

Planning & Zoning Meetings: May 9, 31

City Offices Closed: May 30



Box Elder Police Department
420 Villa Drive
Box Elder, South Dakota
57719

Tel: (605) 923-1401
Fax: (605) 923-1481

Greetings from the Box Elder Police Department! We would like to let the community know that in the coming weeks we will begin enforcing parking regulations.

Over the course of the past year your City Council, Mayor and City staff have all worked hard to clarify and update the City's ordinances. One of those many ordinances was our parking regulations, although the parking ordinance itself hasn't changed, the way that fines are paid have.

Beginning on June 1st, 2016 we will begin visiting with vehicle owners and asking them to comply with the ordinance. In advance of that process beginning we'd like to give everyone a head's up on what things will constitute a violation. The following are the prohibitions in the ordinance:

- Parking in an alley;
- Parking in a crosswalk;
- Parking where a curb or street edge is painted yellow;
- Parking in front of, or impeding the use of, a driveway;
- Parking within fifteen (15) feet of a fire hydrant;
- Parking in a fire lane;
- Parking within twenty-five (25) feet of a driveway entrance to a fire or police station;
- Parking within an intersection;
- Parking within twenty-five (25) feet of an intersection's curb/shoulder lines;
- Parking within ten (10) feet of a mailbox between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 6:00 PM on Monday through Saturday;
- Parking on City park grounds other than in a designated parking area;
- Parking within a designated no parking area on a public street, in a public right-of-way, or on public property;
- Parking on any public street when snow has or is falling;
- Parking on or within ten (10) feet of railroad tracks;
- Parking on a sidewalk, bike path, or trail; or
- Parking in a location or manner that blocks traffic on a street.

Violations of these regulations may be subject to a fine of \$25.00. The fines will be paid at City Hall within twenty days or the cost goes up to \$40.00.



And the last prohibition in the ordinance is parking an unattended vehicle in the street or alley for more than 24 hours or in a way that causes a traffic hazard. It also prohibits parking any trailer, camper, recreational vehicle, snowmobile or A.T.V. in the street for any length of time. This fine will be \$50.00 and will go up to \$80.00 if not paid in twenty days.

This will be a new process for all of us and we'll work with the community to bring compliance through education first and enforcement second. If there are any questions about the process or the ordinance, please contact the Box Elder Police Department at 923-1401 or Code Enforcement at 923-1404.

Thank you.

Jason Dubbs
Chief of Police
City of Box Elder

WATERING RESTRICTIONS:

Please remember that Watering Restrictions are in effect from April 1st through October 31st. Outdoor watering is only allowed between the hours of 6:00 am and 9:00 am and between 7:00 pm and 10:00 pm on odd or even numbered days based on your house number.

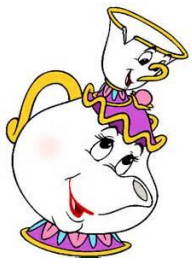


Will you be putting in a new lawn?

You can request a water waiver while you establish your new lawn. To request one or for more information, you can call City Hall and talk to Brenda in Utility Billing at (605)-923-1404



2016 Arbor Day Celebration



*Celebrate Arbor Day
& the environment with us
in Greenway Lot,
603 Vector Court on
May 14, 2016 at 2:00pm*



Participants are invited to
plant a tree with the Mayor.



Coloring Contest Participants
will be awarded their prizes at
the tree planting on May 14,
2016.



Attention Customers

Due to our software conversion, we are unable to process credit card payments or online payments at this time. We are working to process the conversion as quickly as possible. For the time being, we can only accept cash, checks, money orders, or cashier's checks. We apologize for any undue inconvenience this may cause.

We are actively working on getting the credit card payment modules added as quickly as possible.

We should have the "counter" module up first and then will get the "on-line" through the website up afterwards.

We are working to get both of these modules up and running by the next due date for the billing which is May 15th. We thank all of our customers for their patience.

Utility Billing Department:

Since our software conversion, we are actively seeking to update our customer files. We are working on having up to date phone numbers for all of our customers. You can either call in, send in the number with your payment or you can send an email to Brenda at brenda@boxelder.us

FREE Family FUN !!

Friday Night Movie Madness

at the
Box Elder Community Theater
420 Villa Dr: Box Elder Event Center

There will be no movies shown for the
summer months



Box Elder / Douglas High School
Community Library
At the Douglas High School Library



923-0044

Open September 9th, 2015 – May 5th, 2016

Monday – Wednesday 3:30pm–5:30pm

Thursday 3:30pm–7:30pm

When school is in session full days!

Friday Closed



Come on in & check us out!





Pet Licenses Required



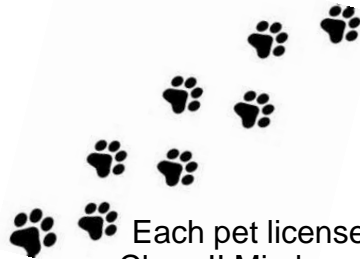
This is a *reminder* that **all cats and dogs** within Box Elder City Limits are required by Ordinance #497 to be licensed with the City Finance Department. Proof of Rabies Vaccination is required with the license fee listed below to receive your pet license.

License Fees:

1st & 2nd Pet: \$5.00 each

3rd Pet: \$10.00

4th Pet: \$15.00



Each pet license is valid for two years. Violation of Ordinance #497 is a Class II Misdemeanor. For further information please contact City Hall at 923-1404.

Call Animal Control to report violations of Ordinance #497 at (605)-415-3646



The utility bill (water/sewer) is due by 5:00pm on the 15th of every month.



After 5:00pm on the 15th of the month there is a \$10.00 late fee.

The past due balance on the **bill must be paid in full before 5:00 pm on the 27th of the month to avoid having services shut off.**

If services are shut off, past due bill and a \$100.00 reconnect fee needs to be paid in full to get services turned back on.

To guarantee water back on the same day, the account must be paid by 3:30pm Monday – Friday



If the 27th falls on a weekend, the past due balance must be paid in full by 5:00 pm the following business day.



Street Light Out

Do you have a street light out in your area?

If you have a light out in your area please get the number off the pole and call 923-1404. When you call have the pole number or a location and the street it is on, so that we can get them fixed in a timely matter.

Thank you!

