

The Arlington Report

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Jim Kreft -- Mayor
Ben Jaszewski -- Council Member
Jennifer Nuesse -- Council Member
Curt Reetz -- Council Member
Jason Ruehling -- Council Member
Galen Wills -- Council Member

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Liza Donabauer -- Administrator
Lisa Tesch -- Deputy Clerk
Vicki Pomplun -- Admin. Asst.
Jennifer Strack -- Community Center Coordinator
Jason Lovaas -- Maintenance Supervisor
Lee Zwart -- Maintenance Worker
Marv Doeden -- Interim Chief of Police
Bruce Rovinsky -- Police Officer

CONTRACTED SERVICES

Ross Ameson -- City Attorney
Cynthia Smith-Strack -- EDA, Planning & Zoning Consultant
Darin Haslip -- Building Inspector
PeopleService -- Water/Wastewater
Jason Femrite (Bolton & Menk) -- City Engineer

PHONE NUMBERS

City Hall: 964-2378
Fax Line: 964-5973
After-Hours On-Call: 507-327-6601
Fire Garage: 964-2279
Police Dept.: 964-5200
Library: 964-2490
Hospital: 964-2271
S.E. School: 964-2292
Post Office: 964-5503

OTHER SERVICES

Water/Sewer/Electric Services
City of Arlington (964-2378)
Gas Service
CenterPoint Energy (800-245-2377)
Cable Service
Mediacom (800-332-0245)
Internet/Phone Service
Frontier (800-435-1504)
Garbage Services
Waste Management (800-422-5785)



2014 PET LICENSES ARE HERE!

All pet licenses issued in 2013 will expire on March 31. According to City Ordinance 283, all domesticated pets (dogs and cats) must be licensed. Residents are encouraged to stop by the City Office before April 1 to obtain a 2014 pet license. The cost for the license before April 1 is \$5 per pet. Residents must also provide a health certificate showing that the pet is current on its rabies vaccination. Due to the spring vaccination schedule, your pet may not be due for vaccinations until after April 1. You should still license your pet in March to avoid late fees. You will be permitted to bring the health certificate in at a later date. Licensing your pet assures that it will be taken care of and returned safely if it gets loose and is picked up by the Police Department. Residents should also be aware that a total of only 3 adult (includes spayed or neutered) pets are allowed per household. Also, if you have lost (ran away, gave away or died) pets within the last year, please notify the City Office so we can remove the pet from our current listing. The City will be following up on our listing of pets again this year. Residents should also remember that pets are not permitted to run at large within City limits. Pets must either be leashed or cabled/chained, kenneled or in a fenced yard and are not allowed to roam freely.

HELP WITH SNOW MELT

With the record setting snow fall of this past winter season, the City of Arlington is asking residents to help prevent street flooding and icing by clearing snow away from storm sewer catch basins. When the weather turns warmer and snow begins to melt, it's important that the runoff water is able to get into the storm sewer. If the catch basin is covered by a build-up of snow and ice, street and yard flooding can occur. Thank you.

BUILDING PERMITS

With Spring right around the corner, homeowners may be thinking of home improvement projects. Many of those projects may need a permit. Contact City Hall if you are unsure or need a permit for your next project.

CITY BOARD OF APPEAL & EQUALIZATION HEARING SET FOR APRIL 22

The annual Board of Appeal and Equalization for the City of Arlington will meet, by appointment, at the Office of the Sibley County Assessor, from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22. The purpose of the meeting is to determine whether taxable property within the City of Arlington has been properly valued and classified by the Assessor, and to determine whether or not corrections are needed to be made for the year 2015. If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, or if you wish to express your concern that the property of another is valued too low, please contact the County Assessor's Office to discuss your concerns. If you are still not satisfied with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your Assessor, you may appear before the City Board of Appeal and Equalization. The Board will review the valuation, classification or both if necessary under an open-book style of meeting, and shall correct it as needed. Generally, an appearance before the Board of Appeal and Equalization is required by law before an appeal can be taken to the County Board of Appeal and Equalization.

UPCOMING CURBSIDE GARBAGE COLLECTION

Notice to Arlington residents and business owners. Due to the time of year that should be coming soon, the gravel alleys will be getting soft and cannot handle the large garbage trucks driving on them. Due to this condition, which the City anticipates sometime in March, we will be asking all residents and businesses to place their garbage cans and recycling containers curbside. Garbage companies will also be notified and will be asked not to drive through the gravel alleys until such a time that the alleys have dried out. Please keep watching the Arlington Enterprise for a notice of when this change in garbage hauling will actually take place, depending on weather conditions. Areas with cement alleyways are excluded from this notice.



City of Arlington, Sibley County

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MOWING HELP WANTED

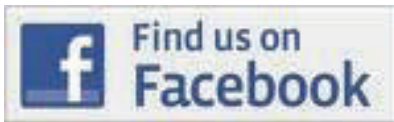
The City of Arlington is accepting applications for the following seasonal positions:

Mowing/Weed Trimming Positions -- The season will start *tentatively* May 1st and run approximately 24 weeks, subject to the growing season (dryness, wetness, early/late frost). The hours for lawn mowing/trimming are Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Areas mowed/trimmed include the parks, public cemetery, and around City buildings. No weekend or evening mowing/trimming will be permitted. Approximately 32 hours per week will be spent mowing/trimming and maintaining equipment (oil changes, clean out decks, etc.). Seasonal part-time wage is \$8.75 per hour. Applicants must be 18 years or older to apply and have a valid driver's license. The City is preferably looking for individuals to mow/trim for the entire season. Applications will be accepted for backup mowers to help with the first half (April-May) and second half (August-October) of the season, as needed.

DEADLINE: All applications must be returned by **4:00 p.m. Friday, March 21, 2014.**



A Beautiful City Growing in Unity



COMMUNITY CENTER EVENTS

Saturday, March 1st— Ridgeview Sibley Medical Foundation presents Alive & Kickin'. 5pm Social Hour, 6pm Dinner, 7pm Entertainment. Tickets are available at the door.

Sunday, March 9th—The Annual Tour of Tables. Hosted by the Good Samaritan Center.

Tuesday, March 11th—Arlington Blood Drive from 1-7pm. For appointments or information call Kay at 507-964-5700.

Saturday, March 15th—Rock'n 80's Quilting Retreat. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.

Sunday, March 16th—Blacklight Show Puppet Show by Firstlight Puppets of Chaska. Hosted by the Heart Work Camp Youth of the area. Show is at 5pm. It is fun for all ages! After the show, there will be a light hotdish dinner served for a free will offering. All proceeds will benefit the youth's mission trip in 2015.

Monday, March 17th—Happy St. Patrick's Day

Sunday, March 23rd—Arlington A's Wooden Bat Breakfast from 8:30am-12:30pm. Tickets are available at DJ's Shoes, Thomes Bros, Arlington Liquors or any board member. Adults: \$6.50 (advance) or \$7.00 (at door), and children 6-12: \$4.50 (advance) or \$5.00 (at door).

MARCH ENERGY SAVING TIPS

**When washing clothes, switching your temperature setting from hot to warm can cut energy use in half, while using the cold cycle reduces energy use even more. Save energy by washing full loads of laundry in cold water. A half load uses almost as much energy as a full, and water heating consumes about 90% of the energy it takes to operate a clothes washer.

** Reduce your water heating costs by lowering the thermostat on your water heater. For each 10°F reduction in water temperature, you can save three to five percent in energy costs.

MONTHLY CITY OF ARLINGTON

TRIVIA QUESTION

Congratulations to the winners of last month's trivia question. **ANSWER:** Scott Bennet served the City of Arlington Police Department for over 24 years.

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: This month's trivia question:
: **"In what year was the Arlington Historical Society**
: **formed?"**
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Submit your answers to the City Office with your utility payment. Include your name, phone number and guess and drop off in the City Office or outside drop box. There will be a prize awarded to the top 5 closest responses on Tuesday, March 25, 2014.