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The Arlington Report

April Recycling Dates: April 10th & 24th 8:00 am -11:00 am Downtown Parking Lot

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Rich Nagel—Mayor
Michelle Battcher—Council Member
Craig Buss—Council Member
Joe Morgan—Council Member
Matt Scharpe—Council Member
John Thomes—Council Member

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Amy Newsom—City Administrator/EDA
Director /P&Z Administrator
Lisa Tesch—Deputy Clerk
Haile Tegegne—Admin Intern
Kirby Weckworth—Maint. Supervisor
Daniel Hughes—Maint. Worker
Andrew Konechne—Police Chief
James Noxon—Police Officer
Bailey Holasek—Police Officer
Vicki Pomplun—Police Admin. Asst

CONTRACTED SERVICES

Ross Arneson—City Attorney
Kenneth Jansen—Prosecuting Attorney
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) Renville-Sibley Sanitation (507-834-6168)

Gaylord Sanitation (507-237-2274)

Utility payments

Need to pay your utility bill? If you are planning to pay with credit card or e-check you can pay online. No need to call in or stop in to the City Office. Credit card payments have a 2.5% convenience fee (whether you call in or pay online), e-checks have a flat \$1.50 fee (whether you call in or pay online). You can also drop your check in the drop box (no fee).

City of Arlington Utilities, MN (pointandpay.net)

Upcoming Events & Meetings

April 5- City Council at 6:30 pm April 12- EDA at 5:30 pm April 19- City Council at 6:30 pm April 26- Cemetery at 6 pm April 26- Parks at 7 pm

Do you live in the City Limits and want to serve on the Planning Commission? We have 1 open seat available. Please contact City Administrator Amy Newsom at anewsom@arlingtonmn.com for more information and an application.

Free Tree Giveaway

The City is planning a free tree giveaway for residents in town.

*Limit of 1 tree per household per year. Tree varieties will be selected by the City of Arlington. 20 trees will be given away in 2021. Trees will be given away on a first come, first served basis.

Applications are included in this month's utility bills. Please see City Administrator Amy Newsom to pick out your tree. First come, first served.



City of Arlington, Sibley County

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A Beautiful City Growing in Unity



ARLINGTON COMMUNITY CLEANUP DAY IS COMING TO THE FAIRGROUNDS ON THURSDAY, JUNE 24TH FROM 9AM TO 4PM

The trouble with water softeners

It's not that pleasant to have stiff clothes or dingy drinking glasses when the water coming into your home is too hard. Soft water can also extend the life of appliances and save on water and energy costs. But, it's important to know that water softeners produce chloride that can seep into groundwater from on-site septic systems and from wastewater treatment facilities that aren't designed to remove it, so that chloride can end up in rivers, lakes and streams where high levels of chloride are toxic to fish and aquatic life.

In some communities, the composition of the water calls for water softeners, but there are ways to know if one is really needed and what you can do about using a watersoftener.

What to do with water softeners

First, have your water tested for hardness. Hard water is an outcome of minerals, principally calcium and magnesium, that are present in the water. Many cities soften water at the drinking water source so a separate water softener is not necessary.

Replace old water softeners

If you still have a time-clock water softener, it's time to replace it with the new, demand-initiated type. This type significantly reduces salt use and can save time and money.

Arlington City Staff is asking all residents to place their garbage cans and recycling containers street/ curbside. The garbage companies have been contacted and asked to refrain from driving through the graveled alleyways until such time as they have had a chance to dry out. This became effective Monday, March 15 and continue until further notice.







McLeod County Recycling Center 1065 5th Ave. SE Hutchinson, MN 55350 Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

GreenTech Recycling 205 W. Spring Street Mankato, MN 56001 Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm