CITY OF ARLINGTON, SIBLEY COUNTY

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Join us for Good Morning Arlington on Friday, March 17th from 7-9 am at the Phyliss Building!

The Arlington Report

Adopt a Catch Basin

It's that time of year and we are seeing warmer days with melting snow and nights of refreezing. If you are able and willing, it is a big help to everyone in the city to keep a catch basin open and flowing if you have one next to your property. If you suspect there is a catch basin that is frozen over or clogged please don't hesitate to contact the City Office and they will promptly let the maintenance department know about it. Also, it has been a long winter and maintenance would just like to thank everyone for their patience and endurance during this time. We are always doing the best we can with what we have, realizing we aren't always perfect as well. We thank you for your appreciation and kind words when they come our way!

Meet the Candidates

On Tuesday, March 7, the City Council will be interviewing for a new City Administrator. The public is invited to a meet and greet with the candidates on Monday, March 6 from 5 pm to 6 pm at the Event Center. The regular City Council meeting will follow at 6:30 pm.

Pet Licenses

Pet tags are in for the 2023 year. Current tags expire at the end of March, so please renew before then. Tags can be purchased and picked up at the Police Department located at 108 4th Ave NW. Please stop in between 8 am and 4:30 pm to see Vicki or call 507-964-5200. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required. To avoid late fees, please register by May 1, 2023.

Puzzles and Pie

The Arlington Library will be hosting a "Puzzles and Pie" event on Tues., March 14 at the Arlington Library. The event will go from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Bring a group of four or join another group. For more information please call 507-964-2490.

Remember to get your Ambulance surveys in!

Recycling Dates:

Saturdays, March 11th & 25th 8:00 am -11:00 am,

Main Street Parking Lot

ELECTED OFFICIALS
Matt Scharpe—Mayor
Christina Litfin—Council Member
Dave Meyer—Council Member
Jeff Matz—Council Member
John Thomes—Council Member
Curtis Ling—Council Member

APPOINTED OFFICIALS
Shirley Slater-Schulte—Interim City Administrator
Gwen Scharpe-Admin. Asst./EC Coordinator
Lisa Tesch—Deputy Clerk
Kirby Weckworth—Maint. Supervisor
Daniel Hughes—Maint. Worker
Glenn Gerads- Police Chief
Brandon Legg-Police Officer
Connor Campbell-Police Officer
Vicki Pomplun —Police Admin. Asst

CONTRACTED SERVICES
Kenneth Jannsen—City Attorney
Kenneth Jannsen—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
Ambulance: 964-2828
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)

March Meetings

March 2– P & Z Meeting at 7 pm

March 6– City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

March 13– EDA Meeting at 5:30 pm

March 20– City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

Are you looking for a little extra spending cash? The City of Arlington is looking for groups or people interested in cleaning the Event Center. Please call the City Office at 507-964-2378 for more information.

Public Works Update-

Friendly reminder about snow season: Please remember to move your cars off the streets, if possible, within 2 hours after a snow emergency is declared. Declarations are made via City of Arlington's Facebook page. Also, it is very helpful to get waste cans off the streets after snow plowing so maintenance crews can clean streets if cans were plowed around. The City's snow policy states roads are to be plowed after 2" of accumulation, so snow emergencies are declared publicly once that has happened. After 2 hours of the declaration, cars parked on residential streets are subject to a ticket, and after 12 hours subject to towing. If you do not follow the City of Arlington on Facebook, please stay weather conscious as to avoid any of these infractions. Also, please be advised that maintenance workers are making sure priority areas are tended to first, such as the downtown business district and emergency route roads. Lower priority snow removal would include residential alleys and growing snow removal piles in various areas around town. The maintenance department will address these spots as time permits. Please contact the City Office if you have any concerns at 507-964-2378.

Arlington Fire Department

APPLICATIONS FOR FIREFIGHER

Available from any firefighter or city office.

$500 SIGN ON BONUS

CONTACT:
Training Officer,
James Klingelhutz at
612-385-2645
or
Fire Chief,
Doug Mackenthun at
507-317-8448

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Tips from Chief Gerads

The Police Department is looking for businesses to update their emergency contact information. To update your information please call the PD at 507-964-5200 between 8 am and 4:30 pm.

The City's Cold Weather Rule goes into effect October 15th through April 15th.

Per the **Cold Weather Rule** §Minn. Stat 216B.097 A Municipal utility or a cooperative electric association must not disconnect and must reconnect the utility service of a residential customer during the period between October 15 and April 15 if the disconnection affects the primary heat source and the customer meet the **eligibility criteria**. To be eligible for protection from residential utility shutoff, a customer must meet the following criteria and requirements:

1. The household income of the customer is at or below 50 percent of the state median household income.
2. The Customer enters into and make reasonably timely payments under a payment agreement.

If you receive a disconnection notice please act promptly and contact Lisa at the City Office at 507-964-2378 ext. 2 or contact one of the following agencies:

MVAC-507-237-2981
Sibley County-507-237-4000
Salvation Army-888-999-1568

Please consider donating to the Salvation Army Heat Share Program!

JOIN OUR TEAM

Now hiring EMT's & Paramedics

For more information, please call 507-964-2828 or apply online at www.arlingtonmn.com/careers/

ARLINGTON AREA AMBULANCE