

Okoboji Quarterly



OCTOBER 2017

Fall/Winter Garbage Collection Schedule



Residential garbage will be picked up on Mondays only. Residential recycling will continue to be picked up Monday every week. Please remember to have your garbage & recycling by the curb by 7:00 A.M. on collection days. For more information contact Waste Management at 1(800) 833 9596.

Fall/Winter Hours—Recycling Center

Nov. 1st—March 31st the Dickinson County Recycling Center will be open on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays from 9 AM – 4 PM. They will be closed Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays & Holidays. Appointments must still be scheduled for the disposal of household hazardous waste. (712) 338-2549. As a reminder, if you are looking for household cleaners, car products or paints, the Recycling Center has a SWAP shop with many unused items that are available free of charge to the public.

<http://dickinsoncountyconservationboard.com/recycling-center/>

Open Burning this Fall

The City has restrictions about open burning on your property. Ordinance No. 220. "4. Landscape Waste. The disposal by open burning of landscape waste originating on the premises. For purposes of this section, "originating" means grown upon the premises where the burning occurs. However, burning of landscape waste produced in clearing, grubbing, & construction operations shall be limited to areas located at least one-fourth mile from any building inhabited by other than the landlord or tenant conducting the burning. Rubber tires shall not be used to ignite landscape waste. Burning shall only be permitted after sunrise & one-half hour after sunset. Moreover, a person 18 years or older must attend the fire at such time, provided, however, an attendant under age 18 may be permitted so long as said attendant is supervised by an individual 18 years or older. Provided further, any adequate fire suppression material, whether water or otherwise, shall be on site during any open burning."

Burning on City property is not allowed, & any resident doing so, will be subject to a citation & possible fine. The City asks that if you burn landscape waste, please do so in a safe manner & to observe the restrictions as listed above to avoid a citation & fine. If you do not wish to burn this fall, the City will continue to pickup landscape waste every Wednesday, so long as weather permits.

Gordon Dr. & Sanborn Ave. Street Projects

Reconstruction of Gordon Drive began on August 21st & is scheduled to be completed in early November. Resurfacing of Sanborn Avenue is scheduled to be completed mid October.



City Council Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month.

Scheduled Meetings this Quarter

- October 10th
- November 14th
- December 12th

Subject to change, please check website for any changes & agendas

Holiday Schedule

City Offices will be closed
11/23 & 11/24
in observation of
Thanksgiving

City Offices will be closed
12/22, 12/25, & 12/29
in observation of
the Holidays



Mission Statement:
**“Improve & Protect
our Community”**

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Snow & Ice Removal

Before we know it, snow & ice will be back! Ice on the roadways can become a severe problem in this area. The question often arises as to why the City crew doesn't start plowing immediately after it is done snowing. If a storm ends late in the evening, it is better from a safety standpoint for the crew to begin early the next morning rather than late in the evening. When the crew has worked all day, a rest is needed before beginning to plow again. If the crew is forced to plow late at night, fatigue may set in & could cause problems operating the heavy equipment. In the event of an emergency, someone will always be available. If you need to get out & drive in stormy conditions, please exercise caution. If all residents would please bear with us when such conditions arise, your City crew will make every effort to make sure our streets are cleaned in a timely fashion.



Mailboxes



City employees try to be extremely careful during snow removal not to strike mailboxes with the snowplow. As snow is pushed off the roadway, the pressure of the snow can break a mailbox or the post. The City has taken the position that the right-of-way is for snow removal purposes & the City is not responsible for any damage to your mailbox. The City does not object to having rural mailboxes installed in the right-of-way, but property owners do so at their own risk. To avoid having mailboxes destroyed, it would be helpful if residents with rural delivery would attach a marker indicating your mailbox location in the event it gets covered with snow. If you are gone for the winter & stop delivery, it would be helpful if you would simply remove your mailbox.

Keeping Fire Hydrants Clear

During normal snow removal operations performed by the City crew, hydrants do become buried. When this occurs, the City crew must go out several times during the winter to uncover them. In the event of a fire, valuable time could be lost trying to locate a buried hydrant. The City is asking that you contact your snow removal service & advise them to please take care & not cover a hydrant at your location. Thank you in advance for your cooperation on this matter.



All-Terrain Vehicles & Snowmobiles

With the winter & snow on the horizon, the City asks that those residents that use ATVs & snowmobiles familiarize themselves with CH 75 of our City Ordinance. City ordinances can be viewed on-line <http://okobojicity.com/government/ordinances/> or stop by City Hall.

E-Mail List: Agendas & Minutes



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