

City of Kasson Newsletter • February, 2015

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CITY HALL HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Load Management Controllers

Under the City of Kasson, Electric Load Management Plan, the City manages an electrical controller system which is installed on residential and commercial central air conditioning units. This controller allows the electric power provider to interrupt the central air conditioner unit (7.5 minutes every 30 minute interval) during periods of high summer peak demand; usually on hot, humid summer days in the late afternoon or early evening. When the controllers are activated, the AC unit will cycle off at brief intervals much like your thermostat; the fans will continue to circulate cooled air helping maintain your comfort. By participating in this program you can save money on your electric bill and help the City “level out” energy use during peak demand periods when the cost of electricity is the highest.

The City of Kasson has always and will continue to pay for the installation of the Load Management Controllers for residential customers and for businesses. Kasson Public Utility residential customers with load controllers will receive a 10% discount for four (4) billing periods generally designated as May 16 through September 15 on their electric usage.

If you have any questions or would like to participate in this program contact Krista today at (507) 634-7071 or email cityhall@cityofkasson.com.



KASSON AQUATIC CENTER SINGLE AND FAMILY PASS forms are available on line at www.cityofkasson.com. The early bird rate for both the resident and non-resident passes is good through February 15th. Get yours now!

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT YOUR PROPERTY TAX VALUATION?

Your opportunity to question the valuation of your Kasson property is at the County’s Board of Appeal and Equalization Open Book meeting.

This will be held on Thursday, April 30th at 6:00 PM in the Dodge County Boardroom Dodge County Courthouse Mantorville

**WATER/WASTEWATER
EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS NUMBER IS
507-993-7697
*Thank you.***

**PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OF KASSON
AT 634-6330 IF YOU NEED TO REPORT A
STREET LIGHT OUTAGE.
*Thank you.***

'70.25 PARKING OF CERTAIN VEHICLES RESTRICTED:
No person shall park any of the following described vehicles on any street or alley for more than one hour unless the street or alley has been otherwise posted to the contrary:

- (A) Trucks of a capacity of more than one ton, according to manufacturer’s rating;
- (B) Trucks having an overall length of more than 20 feet or width at any point of more than six feet;
- (C) Dump trucks, tractors, truck-tractors, trailers, boats and boat trailers, semitrailers or any heavy machinery; and
- (D) Any truck, trailer or semitrailer which is being used for the transportation of livestock or has been used for the transportation of livestock and has not been cleaned.

(Prior Code,'13-6.1) (Ord. 536, passed--; Ord. 762, passed--)
Penalty, see '70.99

2015 Annual Animal Licenses are available at
KASSON CITY HALL for \$8.00.

Lifetime Licenses are also available at the cost of
\$25.00 per pet. Lifetime licenses are good for the life
of your pet.

To obtain your license, a copy of the current rabies
certificate is required.
Cash or check only.

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK!

<http://www.facebook.com/KassonMN>

SNOW EMERGENCIES: No vehicle or trailer shall be parked on any street or alley during a declared snow emergency. A snow emergency is defined as any time the quantity of snow warrants the deployment of snow plows. During snow emergencies, no parking shall be allowed on the road or alley until the snow and ice plowing has been completed the full width of the roadway. Citations shall be issued to vehicle owners parked in the path of a snowplow on the first pass. Any vehicle violating this article will be towed without notice to the property owner, at the owner's expense.

SNOW REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS: No owner or occupant of a property adjacent to a public sidewalk shall allow snow or ice to remain on the sidewalk longer than 24 hours after snow has ceased to fall. After that time, the City may remove the snow or ice and bill the responsible party for costs incurred.

PILING OF SNOW: Persons shall not push or deposit snow or ice into a street or alley from private property or public boulevards. Do not pile snow at street corners or at the ends of public drives so it interferes with the view of the traveling public. Property owners will be charged removal costs if such piles must be removed by City staff or other agent of the City.

Thank You!

HOME ENERGY AUDITS

...Another way to reduce energy and save dollars.

The City of Kasson Public Utilities,
partnering with Minnesota Energy
Resources can help!

You pay only \$50.00 which is applied to your
Minnesota Energy Resources billing. The
City and Minnesota Energy Resources will
cover the rest of the cost.

Sign up now by calling 1-800-376-0517.



The Downside of Cheaper Gas: More Crash Fatalities

Source: NPR, January 6, 2015

It turns out that cheaper gas does come with a downside. And the downside is more traffic crashes and more traffic fatalities. An analysis of the relationship between gasoline prices and road fatalities in 144 countries finds that higher gas prices are associated with fewer fatalities. Lower gas prices are associated with a larger number of traffic deaths. A sociologist at South Dakota State University explains when gas prices are high; people combine trips, potentially reducing exposure. They also drive differently to save gas which typically translates to safer driving. To see the full NPR interview, go to: www.npr.org/

AUTO PAY

Are you tired of writing checks? Tired of scrambling to drop off your payment on time? Do you share concern that your on-line bill payment won't get your payment to the city before penalties are added to your account? Does your bank charge you for your on-line bill pay option? Eliminate late fees and save time; sign up for Auto Pay! Your monthly payment will be automatically deducted from your bank account on the 15th of the month. Call 634-6325 for a form or visit our website at www.cityofkasson.com

LIBRARY HOURS

MONDAY
10:00AM TO 7:00PM

TUESDAY
10:00AM TO 6:00PM

WEDNESDAY
10:00AM TO 7:00PM

THURSDAY
10:00AM TO 6:00PM

FRIDAY
10:00AM TO 5:00PM

SATURDAY
10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

CITY OF KASSON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Emergency 911

Non-Emergency
Police
634-3881

Water/Sewer
993-7697

(Nights and
weekends)

Electric
259-6661