

City of Kasson Newsletter – August 2018

Tree City USA

The City of Kasson and the Southeastern Minnesota Multi-County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (SEMMCHRA) are working together to help the City qualify for up to \$1 million in funds to for residential and commercial property rehabilitation. SEMMCHRA needs at least a 51 percent response rate to qualify Kasson; therefore, please complete the survey even if you aren't interested in assistance for your property. Return your survey in the postage-paid envelope provided by **August 15th**. Individual responses will only be seen by SEMMCHRA staff working on the application. The City and the EDA will receive summary information only. (Survey will be mailed separately)



POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

AUGUST 7, 2018

Contact the Kasson Police Department at 634-3881 to let them know if you are planning a neighborhood gathering. As in the past, the Police Department will try to have officers stop by those hosting the event.

There will not be a gathering at Veterans Memorial Park this year.

For Kasson Utility Customers: Water Conservation In Minnesota & Kasson

Kasson Greensteps program is offering a water conservation class for area residents. Presenters will be Todd Piepho, Area Hydrologist, Ecological and Water Resources, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Chris Meyer, Southeast CERT Coordinator, and Dave Vosen, Kasson Water-WW Supervisor. A water conservation kit will be distributed to all attendees. Refreshments will be provided.

Date: Tuesday, Sept 18, 2018 6:30 p.m.

Location: Kasson City Hall
401 5th St SE, Kasson 55944

Cost: No fee. Pre-registration is required.
Call 634-6321 to register.

APPLY TODAY



Now accepting application for
Kasson Reserve Officers

www.cityofkasson.com
(507) 634-3881

Obtain an application online

Follow us on: Kasson Police Department
 @KassonPolice

A REWARDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Looking for residents in the Kasson-Mantorville area 21 or older

VETERANS' PARK SHELTER RESERVATIONS

To reserve any of the shelters in Veterans' Park for your use, please call City Hall at 634-6301 to check availability and make your reservations. Rates are generally \$30.00 and are reserved only on weekends and holidays from May 1st through October.

BUILDING PERMITS

Are you building a home? Deck? Garage? Finishing off the basement? Reroofing? Are you replacing windows?

Building Permit applications are located on the City of Kasson website at www.cityofkasson.com or call 507-634-6324.



Would you like your bill earlier each month? Check out E-Statements to get your bill 5 days earlier than regular mail. Sign up at www.cityofkasson.com!

JUST A REMINDER...

CITY HALL SUMMER HOURS
go through August 31st

Monday – Thursday: 8:00am to 5:00pm
Fridays: 8:00am to 12:00 noon

LEGAL NOTICE TO VOTERS

Notice is Hereby given: That a City-State General Election in the City of Kasson, County of Dodge, State of Minnesota, will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 between 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

The following offices shall be filled: One (1) Mayor -Two (2) year term; Two (2) Councilpersons - four (4) year term

The first day for filing Affidavits of Candidacy for the above offices will be Tuesday, July 31, 2018 and the last day for filing Affidavits of Candidacy will be Tuesday, August 14, 2018, both dates being inclusive. The office of the City Clerk is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday for filing purposes. Friday, August 3 and August 10 the office of the City Clerk is open 8:00am until Noon.

The designated polling place for the General Election for all three Kasson City Precincts is the Kasson-Mantorville High School, North Gym on the West side, 101 16th St NE, Kasson, MN.

The designated polling place for the Primary Election on August 14, 2018 will be the Kasson-Mantorville High School, North Gym on the West side, 101 16th St NE, Kasson, MN.

For more information on voting and the elections go to www.co.dodge.mn.us and click on the departments tab for the dropdown and click on Finance. There will be a tab on the left hand side for election information regarding voter registration, absentee voting and finding your polling place.

**Ordinance 51.24
Hazardous Refuse.**

No hazardous refuse such as radioactive materials, drugs, poisons, infectious wastes and similar materials shall be picked up by licensed collectors, but shall be stored and transported by the owners or the person responsible therefor to the county disposal area and disposed of in the manner prescribed by the County Environmental Quality Office. Violation of ordinance is punishable by law; conviction of misdemeanor including jail time or up to \$1000.00 fine or both.

Dumping oil and paint or any other hazardous material down the City's storm sewers is not only illegal but bad for our rivers, lakes, streams, in addition to serious health issues for humans and wild life.

Please contact the **Dodge County Transfer Station 507-634-7875** or the **Environmental Services office 507-635-6273** for recycling hazardous materials such as oil, paint and other household chemicals.

LAWN MOWING REGULATIONS

Section 51.02 of the Code states (in part) that: "All open areas and parts of the premises shall be maintained and kept in a reasonably clean and neat condition." It further states that: "Any weeds or tall grass growing upon any lot or parcel of land in the City of Kasson are hereby declared to be a nuisance and dangerous to the health, safety and good order of the City."

"If the owner or occupant thereof fails, within five days after the posting by first class mail of a notice to abate a public health hazard contained on the property, the City by and through its authorized personnel may enter upon any such property and abate the public health hazard by any reasonable means, including contracting with a private person to do so."

Please help keep our City attractive and avoid substantial penalty by keeping your lawns mowed and neat.

Thank You.

LOAD CONTROLLER USERS

Will receive a 10% discount on your electric usage for the months of June through September. To calculate savings, multiply your electric kilowatts by .012. Then, multiply the result by 10% and subtract from the sum of the total.

Add the base rate of \$14.00 and this will be your total electric usage charges.

Homeowners without a load controller can call us at 507-634-7071 or email cityhall@cityofkasson.com to sign up for savings!

The Aquatic Center Inclement Weather Policy

A manager or supervisor has the option to close the pool when outside temperature is less than 65 degrees. If there are at least 10-15 swimmers, the attempt will be made to keep the pool open until at least 4pm.

August 4th - Pool Closed 9 AM-12PM for Regional Swim Meet

August 11th - pool closes at 4:30 PM for Festival event

August 12th - Aquatic Center will open after Parade

Kasson Aquatic Center will be closing August 24th for season.

Textile Recycling Returns

Kasson Public Library raises funds for special programs by recycling old clothes and fabrics. We can accept old clothes or household textiles, even if they are too worn to sell at a garage sale or give to a thrift store. We can use: clothes with tears, holes and stains and used household items like sheets, towels, blankets. Sorry we cannot accept purses, pillows, leather or anything down-filled. Just bag and bring clean items to Kasson Public Library on Tuesday, August 21. Questions? Call 634-7615. Many thanks!

Used Book Sale at Kasson Library

The Friends of Kasson Public Library will hold a used book and DVD sale at the library August 21-25. Come for great bargains! All profits benefit the library.

29th Annual Festival In The Park Events

August 9th- August 12th

PLEASE GO TO www.kassonfestivalinthepark.com FOR A COMPLETE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Monday August 6th: Medallion Hunt Begins
- Thursday, August 9th: Miss and Master Pageant, Pie Auction, Dance Team Clinic
- Friday, August 10th: Big Cup Golf Tournament, Windsor Chop Dinner at Kasson American Legion, Senior Dance, Kids activities and games, Eating Contest
- Saturday, August 11th: Kasson Festival Run, Festival Softball Tournament, Treasure Hunt, Car Show, Helicopter Ball Drop, Corn hole Tournament, Rib-Cook Off, Belly Flop Contest, Kasson Ambassador Ceremony, Performance by singer/song-writer Jeffrey East, Fireworks, Fireman's Dance- "Lost Highway"
- Sunday, August 12th: Craft Show, Church Service in the park, Grand Parade, Free Family Entertainment @ Kasson Fire Hall - "Trouble Shooter"

Food Vendors, kid's activities, and much more at Veterans Memorial Park. Come join in on the fun!

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

2017 Consumer Confidence Report for Drinking Water is available at:

https://www.cityofkasson.com/vertical/sites/%7BC3C7597A-7E80-4164-9E1A-84A37B5D7AAF%7D/uploads/CCR_2017.pdf

There is a link available on the homepage towards the bottom of the page. www.cityofkasson.com

CITY OF KASSON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY 911.....Non-Emergency Police 634-3881
Water/Sewer 993-7697.....Electric 259-6661