

# City of Kasson Newsletter – August 2020

## Tree City USA



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](http://www.cityofkasson.com)!

City of Kasson Park Board and EDA have openings available. If interested, please call City Hall at 507-634-7071.



A copy of Kasson's ADA Compliance Plan is available at City Hall and online at [www.cityofkasson.com](http://www.cityofkasson.com)  
Feedback from the public is welcomed.

ABSENTEE VOTING IS OPEN! If you are uncomfortable in crowds there are many options!

### **MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED WHEN VOTING IN PERSON.**

Absentee voting for the Primary opened June 26 and will continue until August 10. Primary Election is August 11, 2020. Absentee voting for the general election opens September 18, 2020 and will continue to November 2, 2020. The General Election will be November 3, 2020. Polls will be open for the Primary and General elections from 7AM to 8PM. All Kasson precincts will vote in the south gym of the Kasson Mantorville High School at 101 16<sup>th</sup> St NE. Another way to vote absentee is to go to the Secretary of State's website <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/other-ways-to-vote> or <https://mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us/ABRegistration/ABRegistrationStep1.aspx>

### **Vote early (absentee)**

In Minnesota, you can vote early with an absentee ballot starting 46 days before Election Day. You can [request an absentee ballot online](#). Read about other options for voting **early by mail, in person**, and more information about absentee voting at the website above.

### **Vote from military or abroad**

Military and voters living abroad can use a special process to vote absentee.

<https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/other-ways-to-vote/vote-from-military-or-abroad/>

### **Track your absentee ballot**

Track the status of your ballot or confirm that it was received back and accepted without problem.

<https://mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us/AbsenteeBallotStatus.aspx>

**IF YOU PREFER YOU CAN STILL VOTE EARLY IN PERSON, JUST GO TO THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE AT THE DODGE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER.**

### **LEGAL FILING NOTICE**

The following offices in Kasson shall be filled at the General Election November 3, 2020:

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 28, 2020 and the last day for filing Affidavits of Candidacy will be Tuesday, August 11, 2020, 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, July 31 and August 7 the office of the City Clerk is open 8:00am until Noon.**

Any election questions can be directed to Linda Rappe, City Clerk

## 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.*

## Recreational Fires

- \*Cannot exceed 3 feet in diameter
- \*Flames cannot exceed 2 feet in height
- \*Must be enclosed by a ring
- \*Must be constantly attended
- \*Must have a minimum of 4-A rating fire extinguisher, have dirt, sand or garden hose available
- \*Only burn untreated or unprepared –wood or charcoal
- \*Do not burn lumber, leaves, grass, paper, garbage, plastics or other refuse
- \*Must be immediately extinguished when directed by a police officer, firefighter, fire warden or DNR officer
- \*No fires allowed when wind speeds exceed 15 mph

## LOAD MANAGEMENT CONTROLLERS

Receive a 10% discount on your residential electric usage for the months of June, July, August and September by signing up for a load controller. This controller allows the electric power provider to interrupt the central air conditioner unit during periods of high summer peak demand for residential customers. There is no cost to the customer. To calculate savings, multiply your electric kilowatts by .12. Then, multiply the result by 10% and subtract from the sum of the total, add \$14.00 base rate.

Call (507) 634-7071 or email [cityhall@cityofkasson.com](mailto:cityhall@cityofkasson.com) to sign up.

## *Kasson Public Library*

**KASSON LIBRARY IS OPEN**

Come in Monday through Friday from 10am – 5pm to find your favorite books, audiobooks, DVDs or to use our computer center.

Masks are required and no outside items such as backpacks, re-usable bags or laptops can be brought in. If you still prefer curbside checkout, please let us know by calling 634-7615.

### DOWNLOAD FREE BOOKS & AUDIOBOOKS with your library card!

Information about our SUMMER BOOK PROGRAM at: [www.kassonsummerreading.weebly.com](http://www.kassonsummerreading.weebly.com)

- *Go on our kids' SCAVENGER HUNT through town! Solve the limerick and get a prize!*
- *Look out for the BOOK BUG! Free book giveaways for preschool to high school kids twice weekly!*
- *"Where was Rocket?" Take a guess!*
- *SUMMER ONLINE TECH CLUB – Use a 3D printer! We'll print it for you FREE!*
- *ONLINE STORYTIMES AND VIRTUAL PERFORMANCES on our website!*

For more details visit the Kasson Library Website: [www.kasson.lib.mn.us](http://www.kasson.lib.mn.us) or Facebook page or give us a call at 634-7615 Monday through Friday from 10-5.

### **COULD WE USE YOUR OLD K-M YEARBOOKS?**

Kasson Library is working on a project to scan and digitize all K-M high school yearbooks from 1950-2020. If you would loan us yours for a short time, it would be returned in the same condition, and would assist us greatly in this project. We **need these years**: 1952, 1957, 1965, 1997, 2012, 2018 and 2019. If you could loan us yours for a few weeks, it would be returned in the same condition, and you would have helped out this worthy project! Please call the library at 634-7615 and talk with either Nancy or Pat. Thanks so much!

### CITY OF KASSON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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

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