

City of Kasson Newsletter – May, 2017

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KASSON AQUATIC CENTER SINGLE AND FAMILY PASS forms are available on line at www.cityofkasson.com. Swim lesson forms are also available on line. The pool will be opening officially on June 3rd with limited hours on May 27th, 28th and 29th from noon until 8:00pm. The pool will be closed on June 4th for graduation ceremonies.

EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS

...are still being accepted for lifeguards and for WSIs at the Aquatic Center. All other positions have been filled. Applications can be found on the City of Kasson website at www.cityofkasson.com

LIFEGUARD TRAINING

The City of Kasson is working with a lifeguard training instructor to host a class at the Kasson Aquatic Center. Watch for details...

THE CITY WILL BE FLUSHING HYDRANTS:

May 1st to May 5th
May 8th to May 12th
May 15th to May 19th

CITY WIDE GARAGE SALES

Because of numerous telephone calls questioning when the City Wide Garage Sales will be, the City would like you to know (as far as we know), there is no one taking charge of this anymore. Both the Chamber of Commerce and the DCI have been contacted. Historically, these sales are on Mother's Day weekend which would be May 12th & May 13th. Thank You.

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.

KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

"We Are More" Traveling Photo Exhibit at Kasson Library

From May 1-5, a traveling photo exhibit will be hosted at Kasson Library. Come see photos showcasing southeast Minnesota's regional economy. These are provided by the "Journey to Growth" initiative which celebrates the economic and cultural diversity of our region.

Recycle Your Old Clothes to Help the Library!

Kasson Public Library will be raising funds by recycling your old clothes and fabrics. We can accept clean clothes and household textiles, even if they are too worn to sell at a garage sale or given to a thrift store. We can use: clean clothes with tears, holes and stains and used household items like sheets, towels and blankets. No need to remove zippers or buttons. Just **place in a bag** and bring to Kasson Public Library **one day only – May 16 from 10am – 6pm**. Questions? Call 634-7615. Many thanks!

Register NOW for the Kasson Library's Summer Reading Program

Join the Kasson Library this summer to "Build a Better World!" Our Summer Reading Program will be held June 5 – July 28. Everyone aged 1-91 is invited to our 3 groups: 1) kids ages 1-11, 2) teens ages 12-18, and back by popular demand, is 3) **a great program for adults!** Fantastic special programs are planned.

Registration begins May 1. You may register in the library or online at

www.kassonsummerreading.weebly.com. Stay tuned for fun! Call 634-7615 with any questions.

CITY HALL SUMMER HOURS

...will begin on May 26, 2017 and will go through September 1, 2017:

Monday – Thursday will be 8:00am to 5:00pm

Friday will be 8:00am to 12:00 noon

CREDIT CARD CUSTOMER NOTICE

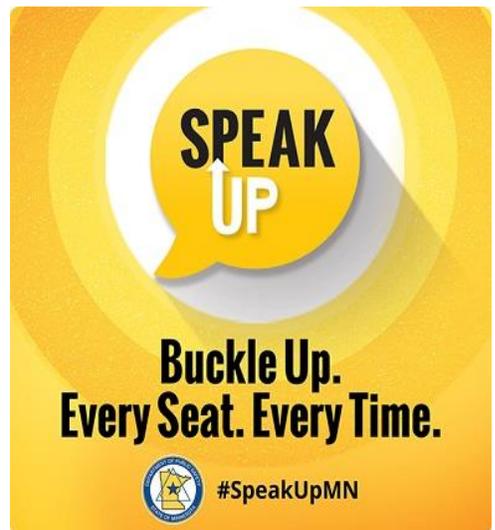
For online credit card payments please use the www.cityofkasson.com website. Unauthorized sites will NOT guarantee timeliness of payments and WILL charge a fee for their services. Please protect yourself against potential scams. Using www.cityofkasson.com will allow you to pay by check or credit card. It is a real time payment and there is no fee for this service.

Thank You.

More than 300 law enforcement agencies will participate in the May 22 – June 4 Click It or Ticket campaign!

Speak up — if you're driving, make sure all of your passengers are buckled up before you put the car into "drive." You could be saving your own life as well as those of your passengers.

In a crash, odds are six-times greater for injury if a motorist is not buckled up. An unbelted motorist can crash into a windshield and slam into and injure other passengers. Often times, an unbelted motorist is ejected from the vehicle and killed.



ANIMAL LICENSE PROGRAM

The City of Kasson has moved to a new pet identification system for 2017. All pets will be registered with PetHub at no additional charge to the customer. If your pet already carries a LIFETIME license, please stop into the Police Department during normal business hours, (Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm), with a current rabies vaccination certificate to receive your new tag. If your animal is not licensed, it's quick and easy. Again, stop at Kasson Police Department during normal business hours with a current rabies vaccination certificate and \$25 (cash or check). To learn the benefits of the PetHub system, stop in or call Krista at the Police Department (634-3881) or, visit PetHub.com.

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KassonMinnesota](http://www.facebook.com/KassonMinnesota)



CITY OF KASSON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY 911.....Non-Emergency Police 634-3881

Water/Sewer 993-7697.....Electric 259-6661



COMING SUMMER 2017

Kasson Public Utilities is pleased to announce the availability of a community solar program for our customers starting this summer. In collaboration with the consumer division of our joint power agency – Central Municipal Power Community Services – we will be launching the R4 Solar program. As a Kasson Public Utilities customer, you’ll have the ability to purchase an R4 Solar subscription to account for some or all of your energy needs from our community solar panels. In return, you’ll be eligible to receive a proportional credit on your utility bill.

- + Hassle Free
- + Lower Entry Level Costs Than Rooftop Solar Panels
- + Community-Based Environmental Stewardship
- + Reduce Your Carbon Footprint
- + Credit Offsets on Your Utility Bill

Continue to Watch Your Monthly Bill for More Information



For more detailed information and updates about the R4 Solar community solar program, complete the form below and include with your bill payment OR send directly to:

Kasson Public Utilities
401 5th Street SE
Kasson, MN 55944

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____



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What is Community Solar?

R4 Solar is a voluntary program that allows residential and commercial utility customers to purchase subscriptions to a shared, community-based solar resource. In return for purchasing a solar subscription that represents your energy needs, you'll receive an offsetting financial credit on your utility bill signifying your subscription's output. The R4 Solar program is offered through a partnership between Kasson Public Utilities and Central Municipal Power Community Services, our joint power agency.

How Do Subscriptions Work?

Any interested residential or commercial customer of Kasson Public Utilities can sign-up for a subscription to R4 Solar. The subscription fees cover your proportional share of the fixed costs associated with installing the R4 Solar project for our community.

Who Owns the Solar Panels?

The municipal utility owns title to the project and, as a subscriber, you would receive a credit on your utility bill proportionate to the size of your subscription. The R4 Solar program will allow you to enjoy all the benefits of solar energy, without the hassle of installing panels on the roof of your house or business.

How Do Costs Compare Between Community Solar Programs, Like R4 Solar, and Rooftop Solar Installations?

The shared nature of community solar programs typically allows for significant economies of scale and siting advantages for the solar panels themselves, which provides a price-competitive and hassle-free alternative to traditional rooftop solar systems. We will release the exact details of our subscription options in the near future.

How Can I Get Involved?

As the first step, complete the form on the front of this brochure and include it with your next bill payment OR send it directly to Kasson Public Utilities. We'll provide continual updates about the program as the launch date approaches.