

# City of Kasson Newsletter • May, 2014

Tree City USA

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

## CLEAN UP WEEK...

begins on May 5<sup>th</sup> until pickup has been completed. Items must be on the curb by 7:00AM. There will be only one pass per home and a maximum of one load per household. Yard brush, leaves and grass clippings only. No dog or cat waste. No junk. No tires. Brush must be a maximum of 10 feet in length and must be piled parallel to the curb. No complete trees. Yard clippings must be in a plastic bag; limit 15 bags per household and no heavier than one person can carry. Tires can be taken to Dodge County Landfill. Call 634-7875 for times and rates.

### KASSON AQUATIC CENTER

will tentatively open on May 24<sup>th</sup> and be open limited hours until school is out.

The cost for the passes will increase on May 11<sup>th</sup>...get yours now!

Registration forms for swimming passes and swimming lessons are available online at

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

### FOR SALE

THE CITY WIDE GARAGE SALES WILL BE HELD ON MAY 9<sup>TH</sup> & MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>.

THE CITY OF KASSON WILL BE TAKING SEALED BIDS ON A VARIETY OF SURPLUS ITEMS FROM 9-3 ON MAY 9<sup>TH</sup> ONLY. CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR AN ABBREVIATED LIST OF ITEMS AVAILABLE.

### For Kasson Residents:

**RAIN GARDEN BASICS FOR SE MINNESOTA**  
Kasson GreenSteps program is offering a rain garden class for area residents. Presenters will be Marian Kleinwort and June Meitzner from the Dodge County Master Gardeners. You'll get all the information you will need to start your own rain garden.

Refreshments/Door prizes.

Date: Tuesday, May 6, 2014  
7:00 p.m.

Location: Kasson City Hall.

Cost: No fee.

Max: 25 registrants

Pre-registration is required. Call 634-6321 to register.

## The City of Kasson-Kasson Fire Department are seeking enthusiastic professionals to add to their firefighter roster.

Applicant will have the ability to perform work requiring good physical condition and have the ability to exercise sound judgment in evaluating situations and in making decisions. Applicant will possess ability to establish effective working relationships with fellow employees, associated agencies, and the general public.

OBTAIN AN APPLICATION PACKAGE AT:

City of Kasson - City Hall  
401 5th ST SE  
Kasson, MN 55944

Application period open  
until position(s) are filled.

THE CITY OF KASSON IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

BUILDING A  
HOUSE?  
DECK?  
GARAGE?  
REMODELING?  
REROOFING?  
WINDOW  
REPLACEMENT?

Building permit  
applications are  
located on the City  
of Kasson website  
at  
[www.cityofkasson.com](http://www.cityofkasson.com)

Call Krista at  
634-7071  
with questions.

## KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Register for Kasson Public Library Summer Reading Program beginning May 20, 2014. You can pick up a registration form at the Library or register on line at: <http://www.kasson.lib.mn.us/>. There will be special programs, rewards for reading and lots of fun! Since May is Health Awareness month, another fun program at the Library will be a walk/bike or stroll to the library for fun and rewards. You will be able to earn a chance at Great prizes. Also, join Ms. Paula Ricke at Storytimes for fitness and fun for kids. Come to Kasson Public Library for more details on two great programs for May.

**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 any 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 a substantial penalty by keeping your lawns mowed and neat.

**THIS YEAR IS THE  
25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
FESTIVAL IN THE PARK CELEBRATION  
August 8-10, 2014**

The Festival Committee is looking for someone to run the car show...  
Please call Candy (951-8700) or Chris (398-4824) or email [www.kassonfestivalinthepark.com](http://www.kassonfestivalinthepark.com) if you are interested.  
**FESTIVAL BUTTONS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON!**

**CITY OF KASSON SUMMER HOURS WILL BEGIN  
ON MAY 23, 2014.  
MONDAY - THURSDAY 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM  
FRIDAY 8:00 AM - 12:00 NOON. Thank you!**

**THE WATER DEPARTMENT WILL BE FLUSHING HYDRANTS ON MAY 12-16, MAY 19-23 AND MAY 27-30.  
RESIDENTS MAY NOTICE LOW WATER PRESSURE AND/OR DISCOLORATION.**

**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 pay 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 each month. Call 634-6325 for an application or stop by and fill one out today.

**VETERANS' PARK SHELTER  
RESERVATIONS**

To reserve the shelter 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 the weekends from May 1<sup>st</sup> through October.

**THE CITY OF KASSON WILL ACCEPT  
CREDIT AND DEBIT CARDS FOR UTILITY  
TRANSACTIONS ONLY.**

Under the City of Kasson, Electric Load Management Plan, the City manages an electrical controller system which is installed on residential & 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. 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.

Installation of Load Management Controllers has been mandated on new houses with Central Air Conditioner Units and on Replacement Central Air Conditioner Units permitted/installed on or after 1/1/14. The City of Kasson will continue to pay for the installation of the Load Management Controller. Kasson Public Utility members with Load Management Controllers will receive a 10% discount for four (4) billing periods generally designated as May 16 through September 15 of each year. This is for residential units only at this time.

If you have any questions or would like to participate in this program please contact City Hall at (507) 634-7071 or [cityhall@cityofkasson.com](mailto:cityhall@cityofkasson.com)

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**CITY OF KASSON  
EMERGENCY  
NUMBERS**

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**Emergency 911**  
Non-Emergency Police  
**634-3881**  
  
Water/Sewer  
**634-7302**  
  
(Nights and weekends)  
**Electric**  
**259-6661**

**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  
**CLOSED**  
**SATURDAY**