

Our Mission: To provide an attractive, growing community being served by a professional staff that offers reliable, quality municipal services.



Upcoming Events

Sturgis City Council: May 2 and 16 at 6:30pm at the Erskine Building, 1300 Sherman.
Planning and Zoning: May 3 at 5:30pm at City Hall, 1040 Harley-Davidson Way.
Green Thumb Gala: At the Library, May 2-6 with the auction taking place at 4:00pm on May 6. Funds raised from the auction go toward library programs.
History at High Noon - May 18 at noon in the Library. Judge Jerome Eckrich will share stories of the old Meade County Courthouse.
Adult Coloring Craze: May 19, 5:00pm until 6:30pm at the Library.
Blood Drive - May 26, 10:00am until 6:00pm. United Blood Services will be at Scott Peterson Motors. To make your reservation call 347-3662. Enjoy free lunch from Papa Johns of Sturgis!
City Offices Closed - City offices including the Library and the Community Center will be closed on Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day. Trash normally picked up on Monday will be collected on Tuesday.

EMS Week May 15-20

- AED Training May 15 at 9:00am
- Open House & Blood Drive May 16 from 3:00pm until 6:00pm
- Turn Sturgis Black/Gold May 18 (t-shirts available for purchase)
- CPR/First Aid class May 18 at 6:00pm

To view more EMS Week events, visit the Ambulance page of the City website.

Summer Reading at the Sturgis Library

Reading logs for toddlers through teens will be available beginning Saturday, May 14th.

Join us for a Summer Season Book Walk on May 14, starting at 10:00am and ending at noon. Start and finish at the Woodland Shelter in City Park. The Book Walk is free and open to all ages.



Officials

Mayor

Mark Carstensen 490-1044

Council Members

Ward One:

Mike Bachand 490-1054

Rod Bradley 389-3209

Ward Two:

Tony Dargatz 490-3584

David Hersrud 347-5061

Ward Three:

Jason Anderson 490-1618

Ron Waterland 720-5010

Ward Four:

Steve Keszler 206-1500

Adam Martin 499-8549

City Manager

Daniel Ainslie 347-4422

2016 Municipal Election Results

The 2016 Municipal Election was held on April 12. Candidates from three wards vied for City Council seats.

Mayor Mark Carstensen ran unopposed.



Ward 1, incumbent Mike Bachand defeated Brenda Vasknetz.

Ward 2, David Martinson beat out candidate Mike Koch and incumbent David Hersrud.



Ward 3 Councilman Jason Anderson ran unopposed.

Ward 4, Steve Keszler made his temporary appointment permanent with a win over Donald Keil.



Now Hiring Full-time & Part-time Summer and Rally Positions

The City is now taking applications for summer seasonal and Rally jobs.

Maintenance - Parks/Cemetery
 Vendor Inspections - Rally
 Informational Booth Support - Rally
 Security day/night - Rally
 Parking Attendants - Rally

To apply for a position with the City, you must be at least 18 years of age, have a valid drivers license and pass a drug screening.

To view all job openings and to apply, go to the city website at sturgis-sd.gov. You can also stop by the Human Resources Office at City Hall.

The City of Sturgis is an equal opportunity employer.

Community May See New Senior Living Complex

City officials have been in recent talks with a developer to possibly build a new Senior Living facility at the corner of Dolan Creek Road and Moose Drive. The facility has the potential to include several independent living apartments as well as a recreation area, a shared kitchen and dining area and other amenities.

The original plan for the Aspen Grove Assisted Living Facility included a similar senior living complex. According to City Manager Ainslie, this location is ideal for a multi-purpose senior facility because it's close to Aspen Grove and the Heritage Acres apartment complex.

The project could also include space large enough to

build a new Senior Citizen facility and the Senior Thrift Store, currently located in downtown. By sharing space at the Senior Living Complex, the Senior Center and Thrift Store could see relief from traffic congestion and the need to relocate the Thrift Store during the annual Motorcycle Rally.

In April, the Senior Center Board and members learned more about potential options, including ways to replace the funds generated from the Senior Center parking lot leases during the Rally. Those funds help the organization with the Meals on Wheels Program, ongoing building maintenance and daily operational expenses.

Welcome Xtreme Bicycle Shop

Xtreme Dakota Bicycles, a new full-service bicycle shop, will open the first part of May in downtown Sturgis. The 3,000 sq. ft. retail store will be located at 920 Harley-Davidson Way.

Owners Corey Brink and Joel Ortiz will offer a full line of new and used bicycles that cater to the entire family including mountain bikes, BMX, road bikes and scooters. They will carry brands KTM, GT, Devinci, Framed, Schwinn and Charge. They will also carry a supporting line of Under Armour apparel for biking and other outdoor activities. DJ Brink will be the shop manager and will provide full-service repair and tune-ups for all bikes.



Sturgis residents are invited to use the recycling collection bins located off Exit 32 to drop off tree branches and yard waste for recycling. Please follow the guidelines posted at the site. The recycling drop off site is for residential use only. Commercial lawn care services must take their recyclables to the Rubble Site. Residents can also take branches and yard waste to the Rubble Site, free of charge, with a current utility bill showing proof of residency.

Memorial Day Reminders

With Memorial Day just around the corner on May 30, the Sturgis Parks Department would like to remind residents of cemetery rules and regulations related to flowers and other items being left on graves.

- ◆ Memorial Day decorations and flags may be left on graves from May 27 until June 12.
- ◆ On days other than special observances, family members are asked to not leave items that make it difficult to maintain the area.
- ◆ Funeral flowers will remain on graves for up to three days, depending on weather conditions.
- ◆ Flowers may be attached to monuments with flower saddles, shepherds hooks or similar factory constructed devices designed for hanging or holding flowers.
- ◆ Shepherd Hooks/Solar Lights (maximum of two) are allowed on each grave. They must be placed in-line with monuments and close to the foundation. They must be constructed of a durable material to withstand mowing and weed eating equipment working around them.
- ◆ Flags will be permitted on graves in honor of our Veterans to include Veterans Day, Memorial Day and Independence Day. Any flags remaining on graves after seven (7) days will be removed.
- ◆ Potted plants will be permitted only on special days of observance including Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Veterans Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, anniversaries and birthdays. They must be removed within seven days.
- ◆ **Items not permitted.** The placement of chairs, stone benches, glass jars, trellises, toys, metal signs, welded features, figurines, statuettes, dolls, stuffed animals, poles (plastic or metal), beer cans, glass bottles, picture frames, wind chimes, items hanging from trees, rocks, edging, fences, foundations, clothing items, sports equipment or any other item placed on grave site is inconsistent with proper keeping of the grounds and are not permitted.

A brochure with all cemetery regulations is available on the City website at Sturgis-sd.gov and at City Hall.



SPRING CLEAN UP

MAY 2 - 6



The Sturgis City Wide Spring Clean Up is scheduled for May 2 - 6. During this time, you may put your unwanted items near your trash totes prior to your normal pick up day and the City will pick them up for disposal.

Please sort your items into separate piles.

- **White Goods: Metal, Appliances, Bicycles etc.**
Appliances **must** have a signed EPA form attached and all freon **must** be drained from freezers and refrigerators, etc. (EPA Forms are available at the Public Works Department.)
- **Untreated Lumber**
- **Yard Waste: Grass clippings & small branches**
- **Rubble: Furniture, Building Materials, Etc.**

You can take branches to the Rubble Site year around, free of charge (with a copy of your water bill) during normal site hours.

Several trucks will be sent out to collect items. Each category of items will be picked up by a separate truck. They will try to follow your regularly scheduled pick up day, but please take into consideration that they have a lot to pick up and may run behind.

Some restrictions apply - tires, paint, treated lumber, appliances containing freon and batteries will not be picked up. For a complete listing of the items that qualify for removal, visit the Public Works web page at sturgis-sd.gov or call the Public Works Office at 347-3916.



The Public Works Department is tentatively scheduling annual smoke testing the first week of May, as long as weather permits.

The SD Association of Rural Water Systems will assist with this test which checks for ground water infiltration into sewer lines. If water infiltration is occurring, it can overload the water treatment facility during heavy rains.

The smoke used for this test is a special, nontoxic material, that will NOT cause health problems or damage property. Property owners can expect to see smoke coming from roof vents. Smoke found inside homes or businesses means there is a potential problem and occupants should make an attempt to identify where the smoke is coming from and then inform the testing crew by calling 605-347-3916. **DO NOT CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.** Opening doors and windows will allow the smoke to ventilate.

Contact Information

City Hall 347-4422
City Attorney 347-4422
Code Enforcement and Inspections 347-4422

Finance Office 347-4422
Human Resources 347-4422
Rally Department 720-0800
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

Community Center 347-6513
5:00 - 8:00 Mon. - Fri.
8:00 - 5:00 Sat.
Noon - 5:00 Sun.
1401 Lazelle Street

Fire & Ambulance 347-5801
Emergency 911
7:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1901 Ballpark Road

Library 347-2624
8:00 - 7:00 Mon. - Thur.
8:00 - 5:00 Fri.
8:00 - 4:00 Sat.
1040 Harley-Davidson Way

Liquor Store 347-5983
8:00 - 10:00 Mon. - Sat.
10:00 - 6:00 Sun.
1075 Lazelle Street

Parks Department 347-9018
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1920 Ballpark Road
Shelter Reservations call 347-4422

Police Department 347-5070
Emergency 911
1400 Main Street

Public Works 347-3916
7:00 - 4:00 Mon. - Fri.
1057 Dudley Street
Rubble Site 347-5605
8:00 - 4:45 Mon. - Sat.
20492 Avalanch Road

Water Department 347-4422
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1040 Harley-Davidson Way
After Hours Emergency call
Police Dispatch 347-2573
Payment Drop Box:
1040 Harley-Davidson Way
We accept credit cards.