



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



Upcoming Meetings and Closures

City offices will be closed on Monday, December 26 and January 2 for Christmas and New Years. Trash normally collected on Mondays will be picked up on Tuesday.
Sturgis City Council: December 5 and 19 at 6:30pm at the Erskine Building, 1300 Sherman Street.
Planning & Zoning: December 6 at 5:30pm at Sturgis City Hall.



Reminder: Rushmore Office is an official UPS Pack & Ship location.

Scrooge Night December 22. Bring your receipts from Sturgis businesses to the Chamber between December 23 and December 30, during business hours, for a chance to win prizes.

Parking Reminder
 City Ordinance prohibits parking of RV's, campers and trailers in the public right of way (on a public street, alleyway or boulevard) for more than 24 hours. RV's and trailers parked on the street hampers snow removal efforts. If RV's and trailers are left on the street for more than 24 hours, they are subject to being towed at the owners expense.

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 Martinson 720-5299
- Ward Three:
Jason Anderson 490-1618
Ron Waterland 720-5010
- Ward Four:
Steve Keszler 206-1500
Rhea Crane 490-8615
- City Manager
Daniel Ainslie 347-4422

Sturgis Kiwanis Kicks Off Annual Food Drive

The local chapter of the Kiwanis is ready to kick off their annual food drive. Blue bags will be distributed on Saturday, December 3. Residents are asked to fill their bags with non-perishable food items and to set the bags out near the front door or by the mailbox prior to 9:00 am on Saturday, December 10. Volunteers will pick up the bags and deliver them to the food pantry. Sturgis emergency responders will assist neighborhoods with remembering to put out the bags by driving the streets and temporarily activating their sirens.



The Food Pantry relies on several food drives during the year. The number of people who use the food pantry continues to increase each year. During an average month, the pantry provides 4,500 pounds of food to those in need.

Pantry food is either purchased locally or received through donations. The Pantry also receives a limited amount of commodities from the federal government to supplement the program, but it still isn't enough. The Pantry relies heavily on donations of food and cash from the community.

Local churches and other organizations also collect grocery receipts from Lynn's DakotaMart. When the receipts are turned in by the Pantry, Lynn's donates additional funds for the purchase of food. Residents are encouraged to collect Lynn's receipts and to drop them off at the Pantry. Cash and food donations can be made at the Pantry during regular hours of 9:00 am until 11:30 am Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Checks can be sent to PO Box 4136, Sturgis, SD 57785. The Kiwanis Food Pantry is located at 801 Sixth Street, west of the Sturgis Community Center.

Winter Frostival & Parade of Lights December 1-3

Community Christmas Tree Lighting
 December 1 at 5:30 pm
 Harley-Davidson Rally Point

Holiday Shopping Event
 December 2 from 11:00 am until 7:00 pm
 Downtown Sturgis & Sturgis Armory

Parade of Lights
 December 2 parade begins at 6:00 pm
 Parade line-up at 5:00 pm at the lot located north of the Sturgis Veterinary Hospital on Vanocker Canyon Road. The parade will travel north on Junction to Lazelle with a short detour around the hospital. Due to the construction project on Main Street, the parade will not go down Main this year.



Downtown Sturgis Foundation

The Downtown Sturgis Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Its mission is to foster economic and community development by creating a vibrant business district rich in appeal and unique to Legendary Downtown Sturgis.

Through its tax-exempt status, the Foundation is able to work with caring people who desire to help revitalize the City's core. With tax deductible donations, donors can make a positive impact on downtown Sturgis.

The Downtown Sturgis Foundation makes it easy for donors to achieve their charitable goals. Donors can contribute through outright gifts of cash, in order for the Foundation to acquire items such as sculptures, benches, landscaping, etc. Donors can also make a future contribution by designating a portion of an estate to the fund.



This life-size bronze replica of Joe Petrali on his 1936 Harley-Davidson Knucklehead Streamliner was recently donated to the Downtown Sturgis Foundation by E. J. Cole. The statue is on display at the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum and will be placed on Main Street in 2017 when the reconstruction is complete.

To learn more about the Downtown Sturgis Foundation and to see a list of contacts who can help with your donation, visit the City of Sturgis website at www.sturgis-sd.gov or call Pat Kurtenbach at 605-347-4906.

There will be Christmas tree recycling collection areas set up on Ballpark Road near the Fire Station and at the Exit 32 recycling area. Please remove all decorations prior to drop off.



Congratulations Gene Stock on your retirement!

After 32 years of serving as the Sturgis Parks Director, Gene Stock has announced his retirement. Please help us congratulate Gene and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

Old Stone Shelter to be Replaced

The Old Stone Shelter in City Park is scheduled to be replaced next spring. The new shelter will be ready for use by July 2, 2017. The project will include adding ADA compliant sidewalks for access to the shelter from the parking lot. The shelter will have electricity and seating for 50 people.

To reserve any of the park shelters, you can contact the City Finance Office or make a reservation online at the City website. Reservations for the 2017 season will be taken after January 1.



K-6 Boys Basketball Registration December 12 – January 8

Community Center Holiday Hours:
December 24 & 25 closed.
December 31 open 8 am to noon.
January 1 Closed.
24/7 Access is always open!



Sturgis Liquor
Holiday Showcase & Open House

Friday, December 9
5:00 - 7:00 pm

Food - Spirits - Prizes

Shopping Local Saves Time and Money



A recent cost comparison showed purchases made at Grocery Mart cost less than the same purchases from both Safeway and Wal-Mart in Spearfish. Lynn's Dakota Mart was also less than Safeway.

In the week prior to Thanksgiving, City staff contacted the grocery stores and asked for pricing on several components of a typical holiday meal. The results showed the lowest price for our holiday meal items came from Grocery Mart here in Sturgis. The comparison did not take into account additional savings on fuel and travel time required if you were to shop in Spearfish.

Shopping local helps employ your neighbors and supports youth sports programs, local non-profit organizations and your local government.

At the Library in December

Book and Puzzle Sale - December 1-3.

Family Photos - Stop by the Library in December for a free family photo with our life-size Santa. All you need to do is gather your family & friends (well behaved pets are welcome too) and stop by the Library. Bring along your digital camera and Library staff will take your photo near the fireplace.

Mitten Tree - We will be collecting hats, scarves and gloves during the month of December. All items will be donated to needy children and adults in our community.

Food for Fines - Drop off a non-perishable food item or make a cash donation during the month of December and we will forgive your late fees. Donations will go to the Kiwanis Food Pantry.

Holiday Schedule: Closed December 24-26 and January 1-3. We will also be closed 11:00 - 1:30 on December 9 for our employee Christmas party.



38th Annual Sturgis Community Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 11 at 2:00pm in the Sturgis Community Center Theater. Admission is free so bring the entire family!



Reminder - City ordinance requires all sidewalks to be cleared within 24 hours of a snowfall.



If you need help shoveling this winter, check the snow shoveling resource list on the City website.

If you would like to be added to the snow shoveling resource list as a service provider, contact the City Code Enforcement Office by calling 347-4422.

Contact Information

City Hall 347-4422
All offices 8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
Planning & Permitting 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

Police Department 347-5070
Emergency 911
1400 Main Street
Animal Shelter 347-8310
1140 Otter Road

Public Works & Parks 347-3916
7:00 - 4:00 Mon. - Fri.
1057 Dudley Street
Rubble Site 347-5605
8:00 - 4:45 Mon. - Sat.
20492 Avalanch Road
1057 Dudley Street
Shelter Reservations call
347-4422

Water Office 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.

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