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Library Receives Grant to Update Public Computers

The Sturgis Public Library recently received notification of a grant award for \$10,088 to be used for new public computers. The grant is through the South Dakota Broadband Initiative (SDBI), facilitated by the South Dakota Bureau of Information and Telecommunications with funding provided by the US Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

The computers currently in use at the Library date back as far as 2001. According to Library Director, Julie Moore-Peterson, seventeen new computers will be installed along with two new switches and four wi-fi access points. All the computers will run the latest operating system and will provide the speed required to run most applications popular with Library patrons.



Over the last few years, the use of public computers at the Library has dramatically increased. Students use the computers for homework, testing and searching the internet. Visitors like to catch up on news and upload their vacation photos to social media sites. One of the most popular activities at the Library is the free computer classes held on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The new equipment is expected to be installed and ready for use by the end of July.

Lazelle Street Construction Update

The South Dakota Department of Transportation and Mainline Contracting have finished the majority of the work scheduled for Phase II of the Lazelle Street Construction Project.

The project began on October 1, 2012. The work took place along Lazelle Street between Blanche and Tenth Streets. During the two phase project, the SD DOT made upgrades to curb ramps and also installed new traffic signal lights and street lights. In conjunction with the state project, the City completed a major water improvement project with installation of new water mains and hydrants.

The mild winter weather allowed the project to finish ahead of the July 15 deadline. Lazelle Street will receive a new surface and markings after the Rally this August. There will be minor, temporary closures at that time.

Officials

Mayor

Mark Carstensen 490-1044

Council Members

Ward One:

Mike Bachand 490-1054

Kelly Vasknetz 490-0361

Ward Two:

David Hersrud 347-5061

Marcia Johnston 347-2483

Ward Three:

Jason Anderson 490-1618

Ron Waterland 720-5010

Ward Four:

Branden Bestgen 644-6005

Tim Potts 720-4233

City Manager

Daniel Ainslie 347-4422

Announcements

City offices will be closed on Thursday, July 4.

July 4 Fireworks and Community Picnic at the Fairgrounds - Tractor pull begins at 1:00 p.m. the free picnic starts at 6:00 p.m.

Free Computer Classes - Tuesdays and Thursdays at the library. Check the Library website or Facebook page for class topics and schedules.

Children's Summer Reading Program - Dig Into Reading. Tuesdays from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. for children ages 3-9.

Adult Summer Reading Program - For ages 18 and up. Monday, July 22 at 5:00 p.m. This month's topic is *Black Hills Geology* presented by Jason Testin. If you are interested in this program and would like a list of suggested readings, please call the Library at 347-2624.

Summer Swim Lessons - Registration is July 1-5, classes begin July 8.

3rd & 4th Grade Flag Football - sign up now!

5th & 6th Grade Tackle Football - sign up now!

Two Wheel Trauma - July 20 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Upcoming Meetings

Sturgis City Council: July 1, 15 and 29. The July 29 meeting replaces the first meeting in August. All meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. at the Erskine Building.

Planning and Zoning: July 2 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, Room A.

Park Board: July 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Morman Law Firm.

MUB: July 10 at 8:00 a.m. at City Hall, Room A.

Library Board: July 10 at 4:00 p.m. at the Library.



★ FIREWORKS ★

Fireworks are allowed in the city from 6:00 a.m. on July 3 until midnight on July 4.

Fireworks are not allowed at any time in the city parks.

Fireworks with open flames such as Chinese Lanterns are strictly prohibited.

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Sturgis Chamber Hires Kruse as New Executive Director

The Sturgis Area Chamber of Commerce has hired Heidi Kruse as their new Executive Director. Heidi most recently worked for Black Hills Federal Credit Union as a Marketing and Multimedia Specialist. The former Director, Lisa Weyer, is moving with her family to Pierre. Heidi will start her new job on July 5 and is looking forward to her new duties with the Chamber.



At the Library in July

Orlando Chamber Soloists - Teddy Bear Series
Stories set to classical music.
July 9 at 10:00 a.m.

Gypsie Cowbelle Workshop
Participants are invited to join in on traditional tunes, playing a variety of "household" instruments.
July 16 at 10:00 a.m.

Sidewalk Improvement Program

The City of Sturgis is seeking property owners who are interested in installing new or replacing damaged sidewalks on their property.

Property owners may be able to purchase concrete for sidewalks as part of a city bid which may result in a reduced cost to the property owner.

Those interested are asked to contact the Building Inspector at 347-4422. Cost estimates will be available once a listing of potential properties has been established.

Deadline to apply is July 15, 2013.

BAM

Bikes Art and Music

Saturday, July 13
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sturgis City Park



TWO WHEEL TRAUMA

July 20, 2013
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sturgis Community Center

This training is specific to motorcycle, ATV and snowmobile accident response. Ideal for all levels of emergency responders as well as the general public.

Call the Sturgis Ambulance at 347-5801 for more information and registration. You will also find more details on the news section of the City Website at Sturgis-sd.gov.

Sponsored by ABATE of South Dakota and Sturgis Emergency Medical Services.



City Fireworks Display

July 4 at 9:15

Sturgis Fairgrounds



The City of Sturgis is Accepting Applications

Full-Time - Part-Time - Temporary

The City is currently accepting applications for several jobs including Rally jobs. For more information, visit the Human Resources page on our website at: Sturgis-sd.gov.

Employee Spotlight - Parks and Forestry Boards

The City Parks Department is responsible for more than 200 acres of parks and recreation property, including ball fields, neighborhood and municipal parks, Ft. Meade property, and the bike path system. The Park Board, consisting of Keith Smit, Bill McKee, Dr. Tom Hermann, Janine Short, and Council representative Kelly Vasknetz, is responsible for making the decisions required to meet present and future parks and recreational needs. The Board is also involved with short and long-range planning of park and recreation areas, Bear Butte Cemetery and the Sturgis Forestry Program.

The Park Board's efforts are supplemented by the Forestry Advisory Committee, which oversees forestry initiatives and Tree City USA certification. The Forestry Committee consists of volunteers Dean Rasmuson, Bill McKee, Aaron Jordan, Ken Meirose, and Ron Waterland (council representative). Parks Director Gene Stock serves as the staff liaison.



Public Works Notice

With the heavy rains this spring, we have experienced high water levels. If you use a sump pump, please remember that City Ordinance 11.05.44 requires sump pump users to pump water into the street for disposal into the storm drains. Pumping water into the sewer system is prohibited.

Parking Reminder From The Sturgis Police Department

In 2009, the City Council enacted Ordinance 16.05.11 which prohibits parking or storage of any trailer, recreational vehicle, implement, passenger vehicle or other personal property on any public right-of-way including public streets. This ordinance includes the following:

- Leaving any car, pickup, motorcycle, camper or RV in any public right of way for more than five (5) consecutive days.
- Leaving any farm tractor, implement, trailer, truck or truck tractor in any public right of way for more than twenty four (24) hours.



Vehicles and other items such as RV's being stored in violation of this ordinance will be subject to fines and the vehicle will be towed by the Police Department. Special permission for temporary storage needs may be granted in advance from the Police Department.

For more information or to request permission for temporary parking, call the Police Department at 347-5070.

All City ordinances are available for viewing on the City website.

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 2nd Street

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
8:30 - 7:00 Mon. - Thur.
8:30 - 5:00 Fri.
8:30 - 4:00 Sat.
1040 2nd Street

Liquor Store 347-5983
8:00 - 9:00 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
8:00 - 5:00 Tue. - Fri.
8:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 5:00
Mon. and Sat.

Water Department 347-4425
8:00 - 4:45 Mon. - Fri.
1040 2nd Street
After Hours Emergency call
Police Dispatch 347-2573
Drop boxes:
2901 Vanocker Canyon and
City Hall 1040 2nd Street