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### Upcoming Events and Activities

**City offices will be closed** - Tuesday, November 11 for Veteran's Day. Trash normally picked up on Tuesday will be picked up on Wednesday. Offices will also be closed on November 27 and 28 for Thanksgiving.

**Wine and Stein** - November 7 from 5:30 until 8:30pm at the Holiday Inn. Tickets are \$25 in advance from the Chamber or \$30 at the door. Local foods, craft beers and wines. All attendees receive a special wine glass & mini-stein.

**Front Porch Coalition Education Training Awareness** - November 20 from 1:00 until 4:00pm at the Sturgis Library. RSVP 348-6692.

**1st Interstate Bank Festival of Trees** - November 21 from 5:30 until 8:00pm at 1200 Main Street.

**Community Thanksgiving** - Thursday, November 27 at the Community Center from 11:00am until 4:00pm. For transportation assistance, call 490-8271 in advance (handicap accessible).

Sponsored by Sturgis Community Churches. Open to the public, goodwill donations accepted.



### Upcoming Meetings

**Sturgis City Council:** November 3 and 17 at 6:30pm at the Erskine Building.

**MUB:** October 28 at 7:30am at City Hall, Room A.

**Planning and Zoning:** November 4 at 5:30pm at City Hall.

**Park Board:** November 12 at 7:00pm at the Community Center.

### 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

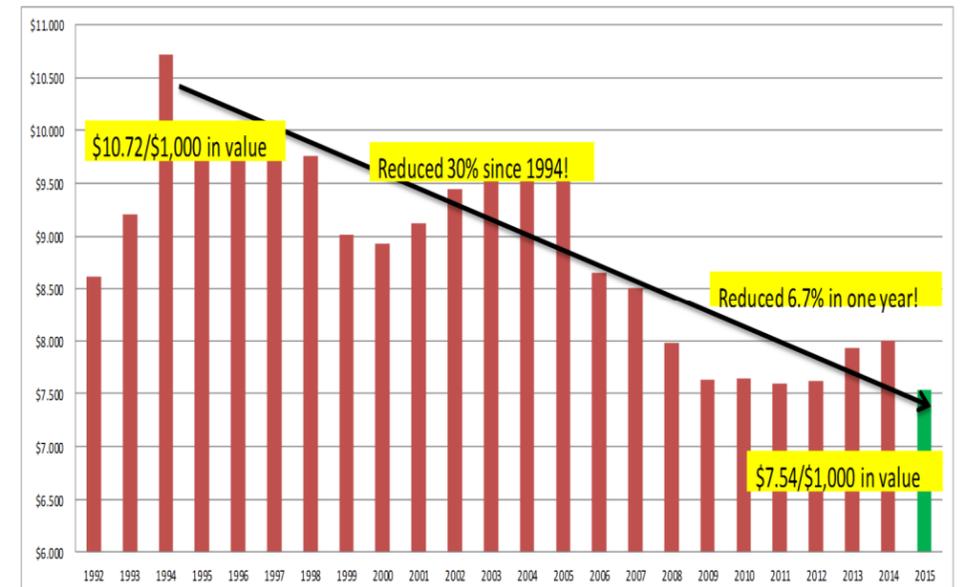
### 2015 City Mill Levy Lowest in 24 Years

The Meade County Auditor's Office has announced that the 2015 city mill levy for residential properties located within Sturgis city limits will be set at \$7.54 per \$1,000 in valuation. This is the lowest mill levy in the last 24 years. The highest mill levy was \$10.72 in 1994. The reduction is due to an expanded tax base of both residential and commercial properties within city limits.

The city mill levy makes up approximately 35% of the total tax assessment for city residents in 2014. This percentage is expected to drop next year.

For questions related to county or school mill levies, contact the Meade County Auditor's office at 347-2360. For questions related to the city mill levy, contact the Sturgis Finance Office at 347-4422.

Questions related to general property valuations should be directed to the Meade County Department of Equalization at 347-6811.



### Supermoto Makes Donation to Sturgis Rally Charities Foundation

On October 6, the Sturgis City Council presented the Sturgis Rally Charities Foundation with a check in the amount of \$1,421.63.

The funds were collected as part of the Supermoto Charity Night event that took place on September 12 at the Knuckle Saloon.

During the event, racers and local business teams raised funds from bartending, wheelbarrow races and other activities organized to raise money for Rally charities.

The second annual Supermoto races brought in racers from across the country. Hundreds of fans turned out to watch the race held September 12-14 in downtown Sturgis.



## Sturgis Employees Inducted Into Municipal League Hall of Fame



Twenty City employees were recently inducted into the South Dakota Municipal League Hall of Fame at the Annual Municipal League Conference held in Spearfish on October 9.

The South Dakota Municipal League Hall of Fame was created to honor those elected and appointed officials and employees who have served municipalities in South Dakota for 20 or more years.

Pictured from left to right: Chief Jim Bush, 36 years; Jeanie Shyne, 43 years; Leith Simonson, 20 years; Paula Basker, 24 years; Shawn Fischer, 21 years; Julie Schmidt, 33 years; Michael O'Bryan, 29 years. Not shown: Ann Bertolotto, 22 years; Maxine Cordes, 22 years; Judd Crowser, 24 years; Joyce Ehlers, 23 years; Darrel Hatzenhuhler, 24 years; Jay Johnson, 27 years; Jeff Lucas, 27 years; Julie Moore-Peterson, 29 years; John Rasch, 24 years; Dale Olson, 25 years; Marty Plaggemeyer, 22 years; Gene Stock, 30 years; and Brenda Vasknetz, 27 years.

## Sturgis Main Street Project to Begin in Spring of 2016

The Main Street Reconstruction Project will consist of the total reconstruction of Main Street between Middle Street and Fourth Street. Improvements will include drainage improvements, pavement replacement, new sidewalks, new street lighting, water main replacement and streetscaping.

Work so far:

- In the fall of 2013, the project was fully programmed into the State Transportation Infrastructure Plan (STIP) and showed a construction start date of 2016.
- In the spring of 2014, the SD DOT began negotiations with FourFront Design, Inc. for the engineering and design of the project.
- In August of this year, the City entered into an agreement with the DOT to allow FourFront Design, Inc. to complete the plans for the project.



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The project will be constructed in two phases with the first taking place on Main Street from Middle Street to Junction, starting in May of 2016.

Phase II will include the remainder of the street from Junction to 4th Street and will begin in the fall of 2016 and will finish in the spring of 2017.

This Project is one of many downtown improvements that came about from efforts of Future Sturgis, the Sturgis Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Strategy Task Force recommendations over the past few years. Total estimated cost for this project is \$ 500,000. More details of the Project are available on the City website under the Projects tab.

## 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 - 9:00 Mon. - Fri.  
8:00 - 8:00 Sat.  
Noon - 8:00 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.  
8:30 - 5:00 Fri.  
8:30 - 4:00 Sat.  
1040 2nd Street

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  
8:00 - 5:00 Tue. - Fri.  
8:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 5:00  
Mon. and Sat.

Water Department 347-4422  
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.  
1040 2nd Street

After Hours Emergency call  
Police Dispatch 347-2573  
Payment Drop Box:  
City Hall 1040 2nd Street

### Winter Driving Reminders from The Public Works Department



As winter driving conditions worsen, the Street Department will be sanding signalized intersections, collector routes and streets with steep inclines. Residential streets are not typically sanded. Speed limits on these streets are posted as 25 mph and drivers should reduce their speed accordingly when icy conditions are present. Always allow extra room for stopping at intersections when snow and ice are present.

If you live on a designated Snow Route, do not park on the street if more than 4" of snow is forecast by the National Weather Service.

To view a list of snow routes, visit the Sturgis City website at [www.Sturgis-sd.gov](http://www.Sturgis-sd.gov).

### Snow Removal Tip...

When shoveling your sidewalk and driveway, place the snow on your lawn instead of in the street. This will help your grass and shrubs receive extra moisture during the winter months.



### 2014 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



Bring a can of food or other non-perishable food item to the Community Center during the week of November 3-9 and enjoy free swimming, cardiovascular training and more.

Membership Discounts - Meet the Staff - Tours

### News from the Library

*Solomon's Whisper* (Number 5 in the Liv Bergen mystery series) by local author Sandra Brannan is available only on Kindle.

You can check out a Kindle with the book pre-loaded at the Sturgis Public Library.

