



CITY OF ST. CLAIR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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LEAVES and GRASS CLIPPINGS

Residents are asked not to rake leaves or mow grass clippings into the street, curb, or gutter. The City storm sewers are not designed to handle large quantities of leaves and grass clippings. This extra material may lead to back-ups and clogs that could cause flooding.

RECREATIONAL CAMPFIRE



A 3' X 3' recreational campfire using clean, dry, untreated wood is the only type of burning permitted in St. Clair. Burning leaves, grass, waste materials, construction debris, and any materials other than clean, dry, untreated wood is PROHIBITED.

RECREATIONAL CAMPFIRE REGULATIONS & SAFEGUARDS

SIZE:	3' X 3' in diameter with a flame height not more than 4'
LOCATION:	at least 15' from any structure or property line
WOOD:	clean, dry, untreated wood in lengths of 3' or less
WEATHER:	consider wind and weather conditions prior to lighting a campfire
SMOKE:	minimal detectable smoke, odor or soot should be noticed beyond the property line
SUPERVISION:	campfires should be attended by a person 18 years of age or older
EXTINGUISH:	extinguish the campfire completely before leaving the site
While burning a recreational campfire, every effort should be taken to avoid creating a nuisance or a health/safety hazard.	
Recreational campfires are prohibited when the Blue Earth County Sheriff's Dept. or other authority has issued a burning ban.	



FIRE PREVENTION EDUCATION

THANK YOU to the St. Clair Fire Department and members Kyle Froehlich, Paul Froehlich, and Brad Flowers for taking time out of their busy schedules to present the Fire Prevention Education and Safety Program to area children. The program was presented on Monday, October 12th to 92 children from St. Clair School (46 – Kindergarteners and 46 – 1st Graders). *Thank you, Kyle, Paul, Brad, and the St. Clair Fire Dept.!*

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS A ONE-DAY BIBLE SCHOOL

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church



Saturday, December 5th
1 pm – 4 pm

Ages 4 and up
(Facemask and social distancing protocols will be followed)

Please call to register
Church Office: 245-3330
Pam Warner: 720-8997



WINTER REMINDERS

In the interest of public safety, St. Clair residents are urged to be good neighbors and motorists and follow the City the Snow Plowing and Snow Removal Ordinance. The following is a summary of the Ordinance:

- Use off-street parking after any snowfall of 1" or more until the street has been plowed curb to curb. If snowplows are forced to go around parked vehicles, the snow surrounding the car can create a hazard to the traveling public as well as plow operators and equipment. Vehicles that have been parked on the street longer than twenty-four (24) hours after a snowfall event and have prohibited the complete clearing of the street are subject to towing and impounding.
- The resident/occupant of any property abutting a public sidewalk is responsible for ice and snow removal. All ice and snow must be removed from public sidewalks within 36 hours after the ice or snow has ceased to fall. If the sidewalk is not cleared within the designated time the City will hire it done at a charge to the property owner of \$100 per time.
- Residents with mailboxes are responsible for snow removal around the mailbox.
- Dumping, blowing, shoveling, plowing, or depositing snow onto or across any public street or alley is not allowed.
- No obstructions (garbage/recycling containers, landscaping items, basketball hoops or obstacles and items of any kind) should be placed on the road right-of-way, boulevard, street or alley in such a manner as to interfere with snow plowing and snow removal operations.
- The City is not be responsible for damage to vehicles, fences, play equipment, basketball hoops, landscaping items and other objects parked or placed on the City road right-of-way. The City road right-of-way is approx. 10' from the curb or the edge of the street on uncurbed streets.

Please contact the City Clerk at 245-3494 with questions or for more information regarding the Snow Plowing and Removal Ordinance.

STREETLIGHT OUTAGES

Call City Hall to report any streetlight outage or other streetlight problem, including light out, light on during the day, light going on and off, dim light, etc.



HOLIDAY GARBAGE & RECYCLING SCHEDULE

There will be a one (1) day delay in garbage and recycling pick-up services (Saturday pick-up rather than Friday pick-up) the week of the following holidays:

Thanksgiving pick-up will be Saturday, November 28th
 Christmas pick-up will be Saturday, December 26th
 New Year's pick-up will be Saturday, January 2nd



DO NOT FLUSH ...

disposable diapers	feminine products	mop heads
baby wipes	facial tissue	rags
cleaning wipes	paper towels	dryer sheets
make-up wipes	rags	dental floss
cloth items	bandages	cotton balls
Q-tips	cat litter	

or any items other than toilet paper!!

City sewer systems are not designed to handle items such as those listed above. Flushing such items can not only cause damage to pumps and equipment at the sewer plant but can also clog and plug sewer mains and individual sewer lines resulting in back-ups into homes.

Even wipes that are labeled 'flushable' SHOULD NOT BE FLUSHED ... please dispose of them in your waste basket or your garbage can. Wipes do not degrade immediately after flushing they remain intact long enough to pass through the individual sewer lines, City sewer mains and into the City Wastewater Treatment Plant where they clog and plug pumps and equipment.



INOPERABLE VEHICLES

All vehicles must have current tabs and must be in working order. Vehicles not licensed and not in working order must be stored in a garage or removed from the property.