

# City of Kasson Newsletter – September 2021

## Tree City USA

All City Offices and Kasson Liquor Store will be closed September 6, 2021 in observance of Labor Day.

### A FRIENDLY REMINDER FOR PET OWNERS § 90.04 ANIMALS AT LARGE.

(A) It will be unlawful for any person having or maintaining any animal to permit the animal to be at large or to be upon any premises other than as provided in the permit whether or not a permit for such animal has been issued as provided under the licensing and permit provisions of this chapter or other ordinances of the city.

(B) It is unlawful for any owner to allow a domestic animal to be at large at any time.

(C) *Dog parks.* Dogs are permitted to be unleashed in off leash dog park areas as designated by the city under the following conditions:

(1) The dog owner or owner's designee as allowed by park rules must be present; and

(2) The dog must be under the voice control of the owner at all times; and

(3) Feces must be properly removed and disposed of; and

(4) A dog deemed a dangerous or potentially dangerous animal under this chapter is not permitted to use off leash areas.

(Ord. 857, passed 10-14-2015)

### § 154.312 FENCES AND WALLS.

There have been changes made to the fencing ordinance, approved by City Council, effective August 19, 2021 [www.cityofkasson.com](http://www.cityofkasson.com) under the Ordinance section.



### Recreational Fires

- Cannot exceed 3 feet in diameter
- Flames cannot exceed 2 feet in height
- Must be enclosed by a ring
- Must be constantly attended
- Must have a minimum of 4-A rating fire extinguisher, have dirt, sand or garden hose available
- Only burn untreated or unprepared - wood or charcoal
- Do not burn lumber, leaves, grass, paper, garbage, plastics or other refuse
- Must be immediately extinguished when directed by a police officer, firefighter, fire warden or DNR officer
- No fires allowed when wind speeds exceed 15 mph

**\*\*PLEASE CHECK [WWW.DNR.STATE.MN.US](http://WWW.DNR.STATE.MN.US) FOR CURRENT BURNING RESTRICTIONS BEFORE STARTING ANY FIRE\*\***

Don't miss important updates! You can now subscribe to receive alerts (text or email) for City Council agendas and minutes when available. Sign up today at [www.cityofkasson.com/enotify](http://www.cityofkasson.com/enotify)

**CITY HALL SUMMER HOURS**  
go through September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021.  
Monday – Thursday will be 8:00am to 5:00pm  
Friday will be 8:00am to 12:00 noon.

**Kasson Fire Department**

WOULD LIKE TO

**Thank You**  
FOR YOUR SUPPORT

### SEMCAC'S ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

may be able to help with winter energy bills.  
(Eligibility is based on household income.)

Call SEMCAC!  
800-944-3281

The Energy Assistance Program is funded by the State of Minnesota Department of Commerce through a block grant from the Federal Health and Human Services Department.



# OPEN HOUSE



Community Eye Screening For Children  
Vision screening for children ages 8 months - 6 years old, however all school age children are welcome.

**FREE**

<https://lionskidsightusa.org/>

**WEDNESDAY  
OCT. 6<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>PM</sup>-8<sup>PM</sup>**

\*Come see fire trucks, police cars and ambulances, along with equipment, officers, fire fighters and paramedics

\*Refreshments Provided

Learn the  
**Sounds**  
of Fire Safety.



[firepreventionweek.org](http://firepreventionweek.org)

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Kasson Police Dept ~ 19 E. Main St  
Kasson Fire Dept ~ 101 E. Main St

### LAWN MOWING REGULATIONS

Section 51.02 of the Code states (in part) that: "All open areas and parts of the premises shall be maintained and kept in a reasonably clean and neat condition." It further states that: "Any weeds or tall grass growing upon any lot or parcel of land in the City of Kasson are hereby declared to be a nuisance and dangerous to the health, safety and good order of the City."

"If the owner or occupant thereof fails, within five days after the posting by first class mail of a notice to abate a public health hazard contained on the property, the City by and through its authorized personnel may enter upon any such property and abate the public health hazard by any reasonable means, including contracting with a private person to do so."

Please help keep our City attractive and avoid substantial penalty by keeping your lawns mowed and neat.

Thank You.

### KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### **AUTHOR DOUG OHMAN RETURNS TO KASSON LIBRARY**

Author/photographer Doug Ohman is back by popular demand on **Thurs. September 9 at 11:00am** at Kasson Library. Join us for "Name That Town," as we journey through Minnesota to explore towns as Doug tells fascinating stories relating to their names. This free event is sponsored by the Friends of Kasson Library, and refreshments will be served. All are invited!

#### **PRESCHOOL PROGRAM WITH LIVE ANIMALS!**

"Animal Introductions," led by a naturalist from Oxbow Park, will be presented at the Kasson Library on **Tues., September 14 at 10:00am**. Featuring live animals in a safe environment, this free program for preschoolers will be both entertaining and educational. All are welcome.

#### **STITCH GROUP RETURNS**

Stitch is a needle-crafters group, and all are invited to bring their own project – sewing, crocheting, needlepoint, knitting, etc. – to work on, or come gain a new skill. Sewing machines will be available, and ALL skill levels are welcome! This group will meet the **1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month from 1-4pm, and the first meeting is September 13**. Drop in or stay the whole time!

#### **THURSDAY STORYTIME**

Join Mr. David for Storytime on **Thursdays at 10:30am**, starting September 9. Featuring stories and song, preschoolers will have fun listening and learning. All are welcome.

#### **LIBRARY HOURS**

Kasson Public Library is expanding its hours. **After Labor Day, we will be open:**

**Mondays & Tuesdays: 10:00 – 6:00**  
**Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 10:00 – 5:00**  
**Saturdays: 9-12**

#### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Are you building a home? Deck? Garage? Finishing off the basement? Reroofing? Are you replacing windows? Building Permit applications are located on the City of Kasson website at [www.cityofkasson.com](http://www.cityofkasson.com) or call 507-634-6324.

### BACK TO SCHOOL MEANS SCHOOL BUS SAFETY



- In Minnesota, motorists must stop at least 20 feet from a school bus that is displaying red flashing lights or a stop arm when approaching from the rear and from the opposite direction on undivided roads.
  - Red flashing lights on buses indicates students are either entering or exiting the bus.
  - Amber lights on a bus is an alert to motorists that a bus is about to make a stop.
- Motorists should slow down, pay attention and anticipate school children, especially in a school bus 'danger zone' – the area around a bus where most school children injuries or deaths occur.
- Parents play a vital role in teaching their children what to do around buses:
  - How to cross safely.
  - The importance to stay back from the road while waiting for the bus.
  - The importance of making eye contact with the driver before crossing the street to ensure the driver sees them.

Would you like your bill earlier each month? Check out E-Statements to get your bill 5 days earlier than regular mail. Sign up at [www.cityofkasson.com](http://www.cityofkasson.com)!

#### **Installing Residential Solar Panels?**

For the City of Kasson for any utility customer to install solar panels

- 1) a building permit is required, and,
- 2) your project must be applied for through your electric service provider (within the City of Kasson, you may be in City of Kasson, Xcel, or Peoples Coop service territory).

If you are a City of Kasson electric customer, the solar application [https://www.cityofkasson.com/index.asp?SEC=32139C50-8D0F-4918-B34F-45B632EC7C7B&Type=B\\_BASIC](https://www.cityofkasson.com/index.asp?SEC=32139C50-8D0F-4918-B34F-45B632EC7C7B&Type=B_BASIC)  
Visit [www.cityofkasson.com](http://www.cityofkasson.com) for more info

There are water kits still available.

Get yours today for free!

#### **FREE WATER CONSERVATION KIT:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Save water and save money on water heating and use less gas.

Pick one up at Kasson City Hall. Hours: M-Th 8 am to 5 pm.

Fridays 8 am - 12 pm. Water kit includes: Earth 1.5 gpm Showerhead, Kitchen tap swivel aerator, 2 bathroom aerators, Toilet water saver kit, Toilet leak detection tablets, Flow meter bag, water conservation wheel. Available while supplies last.

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**CITY OF KASSON EMERGENCY NUMBERS**  
**EMERGENCY 911.....Non-Emergency Police 634-3881**  
**Water/Sewer 993-7697.....Electric 259-6661**