

City of Kasson Newsletter –June 2022

Tree City USA



City Offices and Kasson Liquor Store will be closed Monday July 4th in observance of Independence Day

Kasson announces visit from Rethos for Downtown Assessment community engagement visits.
Kasson is pleased to announce that they are one of three recipients of a Downtown Assessment, a program that helps to identify community assets and revitalization activities for historic downtown districts. These Assessments are for the use of old buildings and sites. Virtual engagement is encouraged; survey link below(available until July 8th):
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KassonDT2022>

CITY HALL
SEASONAL HOURS
Go through Sept 16th, 2022.
Monday–Thursday will be
8:00am to 5:00pm
Friday will be 8:00am to 12:00
noon.

**VETERANS MEMORIAL
PARK & LIONS PARK
SHELTER RESERVATIONS**
To reserve any of the shelters in Veterans Memorial Park or Lions Park for your use, please call City Hall at 634-6301 to check availability and make your reservations. Rates are generally \$40.00 and are reserved only on weekends and holidays from May 1st through October.

- 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, 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

Credit/Debit Auto-Pay Reminder:
For those who manage auto pay using a credit/debit card – you will need to update card information before it expires. If it expires, it will become inactive. A \$30 NSF fee will apply should the payment be returned.

CITY OF KASSON EMERGENCY NUMBERS
EMERGENCY.....911
Non-Emergency Police.....634-3881
For all after hours833-342-1158
(Electric, Water/Sewer & Storm Related Issues)

KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUMMER READING PROGRAM AT KASSON LIBRARY!

A fun free reading program is available to everyone from 2-92! There are special events, reading logs, storytimes, author visits and more. Check out details at our Summer Reading Program website:

www.kassonsummerreading.weebly.com

Mark your calendar for these great events, all held at the library:

Fri., July 8 at 10:30 - Crafts for Kids – *Fun craft time, materials provided.*

Fri., July 15 at 10:30 – Sidewalk Chalk Art – *Create works of art on our sidewalks. (Chalk provided)*

AUTHORS COMING TO THE LIBRARY!

Two best-selling authors are coming to Kasson Library.

These events are free, open to all and will include book signings.

- Join us on **Tuesday evening July 19 at 6:30pm for author Brian Freeman**. He is an award-winning writer of psychological thrillers, many of which are set in Minnesota. *(Rescheduled from May)*

Check out his books at the library to read ahead of time!

LIBRARY HOURS: Monday & Tuesday: 10-6

Wed., Thurs. & Friday: 10-5 Saturday: Closed

Davey Resource Group will be GPS locating and mapping into a GIS system the entire electrical system in the City of Kasson starting in June. DRG staff will be in DRG and City of Kasson badged vehicles and have on DRG logo clothing. They will be accessing yards, equipment, poles, etc in the course of their work for the City of Kasson. Please allow them necessary access and space to do their work. There will be no associated loss of power as this is primarily a data collection and GPS location project. Any questions or concerns can be directed to the Electric Dept. Supervisor at electricdept@cityofkasson.com. We appreciate your cooperation.

Brand New Kasson 24/7/365 Power Outage, Water Emergency and Storm Damage contact number.

The City of Kasson has secured the services of the Cooperative Response Center to handle all electrical outages; water/sewer and storm damage related phone calls. This service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and will replace current outage numbers.

The purpose of this service is to provide a better customer experience and safety for dispatched City of Kasson personnel. Phone calls will be answered by a live person who will take your information and relay that to relevant worker crews. In the event that they are busy handling a high volume of calls, customers will have an option to leave a message and receive a call back. Crews will be enabled to concentrate directly on correcting issues and not be distracted by or unable to answer phone calls. This will allow quicker response times and faster restoration of the effected service. Please save this number into your phone (**833-342-1158**) for all after hours, **non 911 (medical, fire, police)** electric outage, water/sewer or storm related issues.

Animal License Program

Animals residing within the city limits of Kasson are required to be licensed. To obtain a license, stop into the Police Department during normal business hours (Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm). You will be required to provide a current rabies vaccination certificate and pay a one-time license fee of \$25 (cash or check). Credit cards are now also accepted (a convenience fee of \$1.06 will be added to credit card payments). Animal registration is required by city ordinance. If your animal is not licensed you could receive a citation. Contact Amy at the Police Department (634-3881 ext 2) with questions.

1. It's the law: In the City of Kasson, it's actually required that animal owners license their pets.
2. It proves your animal is properly vaccinated.
3. The City of Kasson no longer has contracts with local vet clinics for animal impound, so it's even more important for your animal to be licensed for proper identification and higher probability of being returned to you in a more timely manner, should they happen to escape.

Free Sports Physicals

Mayo Family Clinic Kasson

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

4:30 – 6:00 pm

Appointment required via your patient portal or call 507-634-7011 to schedule. The sports physicals are open to any student entering 7th through 12th grade only in Dodge County (K-M, Hayfield, Triton)

What to Know:

- This is a pre-participation sports screening exam only
 - No college students or camp physicals
 - No immunizations or treatments will be provided
- If a medical condition is found, the student will be given instructions for follow-up care
 - Dress comfortably with shorts and t-shirt (weather permitting)
 - Social distancing and masks required
 - Bring your Mayo Clinic Identification Number if a current patient
- Bring your pre-participation sports physical form completed by student and parent (page 2 & top of page 3 very important, page 4 if applicable)
 - Minnesota State High School League form available online at:
<https://www.mshsl.org/sites/default/files/2020-07/2020-21-sqpe-3-25-20.pdf>

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.