

City of Kasson Newsletter – September 2022

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All City Offices and Kasson Liquor Store will be closed September 5, 2022 in observance of Labor Day.

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.



Utility Billing Customers: Sign up for Direct Pay

Pick one of two options to make it easy for you to pay!

City of Kasson Utilities Direct Pay: Sign up to have your bill automatically paid from your bank account on the 15th of the month. Find the form on our website https://www.cityofkasson.com/how_do_i/apply_for_obtain/e-bill_sign_up.php

Credit Card payment: Sign up to have your bill automatically paid from your credit card account on the 15th of the month or any day that you choose. Complete account registration at https://www.cityofkasson.com/how_do_i/apply_for_obtain/e-bill_sign_up.php

If you are interested in an ebill of your utility bill instead of a paper bill, sign up at https://www.cityofkasson.com/how_do_i/apply_for_obtain/e-bill_sign_up.php

KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

MAYO HEALTH TALKS FOR SENIORS – A free series at the library!

Come to Kasson Library for 4 Friday mornings to hear health talks by Mayo doctors, specifically geared to seniors and their health.

Sept. 23 @ 10:30 – *Brain Health* by Dr. Sara Shu

Sept. 30 @ 10:30 – *Exercises for Seniors* by Dr. Shelby Owens

Oct. 7 @ 10:30 – *Care for the Caregiver* by Dr. Rebecca Stoll

Oct. 14 @ 10:30 – *Alternatives to Pain Medications* by Dr. Shelby Owens

Held at Kasson Library, 607 1st Street NW. Save the dates now!

STITCH!

Stitch is a needlecrafters' group, and all are invited to bring your project – sewing, crocheting, needlepoint, knitting – to work on, or come to gain a new skill. Sewing machines will be available, and ALL skill levels and ages are welcome. This group generally meets the 1st Monday of the month from 1-4pm, and the next meeting is Sept. 12. Drop in or stay the whole time!

LIBRARY HOURS

Kasson Public Library will soon be open again on Saturdays. After Labor Day, our hours will be:
Mondays & Tuesdays: 10:00 – 6:00 / Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 10:00 – 5:00 / Saturdays: 9-12

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."

§ 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 under the Ordinance section.

2023 Budget and Levy - City of Kasson

The City Council will be discussing the preliminary budget and 2023 tax levy at their next meeting.

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
Kasson City Hall 401 5th St SE, Kasson, MN

You are invited to send your written comments to:
City of Kasson, Mayor's office
401 5th St SE, Kasson, MN 55944

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.

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<http://www.facebook.com/KassonMinnesota>

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; 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)

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 FOR CURRENT BURNING RESTRICTIONS BEFORE STARTING ANY FIRE****

CITY OF KASSON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

EMERGENCY.....911

Non-Emergency...634-3881

After hours...833-342-1158

(Electric, Water/Sewer & Storm Related Issues)