

CITY QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2018



UPCOMING DATES



City Announcements:

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Shovel Sidewalks within 12 hours after a snowfall - Required by ordinance.

Ice Skate Rink: Has been started and could be ready soon-weather permitting.

Reporting suspicious activity in town: Citizens are encouraged to use the Olmsted County Sheriff's office non-emergency number for reporting suspicious activities in city parks or in town. Call: **507-328-6800** & be sure to call **911** for an emergency!

Winter Parking Regulation: (C) (1) It shall be unlawful to park, or permit any vehicle or trailer to remain parked, upon any alley or street from December 1st to March 31st between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. or until streets are plowed from curb to curb; or following any other snow fall or significant ice accumulation.

(2) In the event of a continuous and/or substantial snowfall, a citywide "snow emergency" may be declared by the Public Works Supervisor or his or her designee. It shall be unlawful to park on any city street during the time in which a snow emergency has been declared, until such time as the snow emergency is rescinded.

Local Compost Site is open: Your Christmas tree may be dropped off there but please no stands, decorations or ornaments. Site will not be plowed if we get excessive amounts of snow.

When shoveling your driveway, please do not push the snow back on to the street.

This season, remember to Shop Local for all your holiday needs! Pick up some Eyota Bucks at City Hall.

STREET LIGHT OUT??— Or flickering, or off and on? The fastest way to turn the light back on is to contact People's Energy Co-op. You may do so by phone: 507-367-7000 or go on-line, at the address below, scroll down to "street light out?" and simply fill out their outage email form. There is also a link on the city website. www.peoplesenergy.coop/content/contact-us

You may certainly let City Hall know, but you may notice the outage after business hours. By the time you wait to tell city hall, People's could already have it in their schedule to be worked on.

Council Meetings at Eyota City Hall: 7 pm
View on Charter Channel 180 & HBC Channel 19
December 12 & 27
January 10 & 24
February 14 & 28
March 14 & 28

Park Board Meetings, 7 pm at City Hall:
December 5
January 9
February 13
March 13

EDA Meetings, 5:30pm
At Arbor Gardens:
December 27
January 24
February 28
March 28

Planning Meetings, 7pm at City Hall
December 19
January 16
February 20
March 20

City Hall is closed:
December 25, 2018
January 1, 2019
January 21, 2019
February 18, 2018

Keep in touch:

- Phone: 507-545-2135
- Fax: 507-545-2235
- Email: eyota@cityofeyota.com
- Facebook: Eyota.MN
- Website: eyota.govoffice.com
- Marlis, Shelly, Renee, Brad, Scott

Street and Utility Improvement Project

It has taken 3 summers of construction, spread over 4 years to replace and upgrade the water mains in the original platted section of Eyota. This included sanitary sewer manhole improvements, installation of new curb and gutters, and new streets. Costing approximately \$5,540,000. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during the construction. This year's construction will be completed in the spring: landscaping, sod and final lift of blacktop.



CURRENT BOARD OPENININGS

If you would like to be involved in the community and make a difference, become a member of the Park Board, Planning Commission, or Economic Development Authority!

If you're interested complete the interested applicant form and return it to City Hall in person or via email at eyota@cityofeyota.com. For questions, contact City Hall at 545-2135 or a current board member.

UTILITY RATES RISING BEGINNING 2019

The Dover, Eyota, St. Charles Area Sanitary District will be increasing the amount charged to the City effective January 1.

The City will be studying the current sewer rates charged to Eyota property owners and increasing the monthly rates accordingly. The water rates will increase due to normal operating expense increases and additional cost to replace the water mains.

Water and sewer rates are expected to be increasing effective January 1, 2019.

**PLEASE KEEP YOUR SIDEWALKS
SHOVELED AND
HYDRANTS CLEAR OF SNOW**



Arbor Gardens Independent Assisted & Memory Care Units now available.

**Check with us regarding
current job openings.**

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Our New Local Deputy

Deputy Peterson started mid-November and will be the new school liaison and Community Officer.

Welcome!

Photo courtesy of Jill Veerkamp, St. Charles Press



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PLEASE keep your garbage bins in your driveway **NOT** in the street. Thank you!!



DON'T Flush it!

"Flushable" wipes are NOT flushable. Popular bathroom wipes (not toilet paper) or items like baby wipes create clogs and backups in the sewer system. They include fibers that do not break down.

PLEASE DO NOT flush wipes! Dispose of them in a wastebasket instead. Other items NOT to flush: Fats, oils, grease, rags, & paper.

FOR QUESTIONS ON STARTING OR EXPANDING A BUSINESS

PLEASE CONTACT
EDA DIRECTOR:
Cathy Enerson

at City Hall 507-545-2135 or
cathy.enerson@cedausa.com



Automatic Water/Sewer Payments—

Free up personal time... Sign up for ACH payment of your monthly city water and sewer payments.

Download form from our website: Go to Citizens/Notices to Citizens—Water/Sewer bill can be paid automatically. Complete, return to City Hall with a voided check.

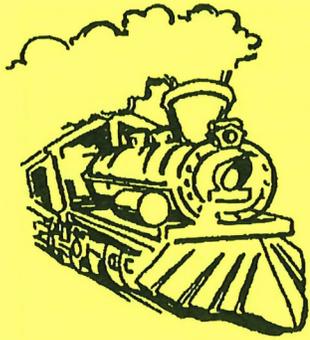
Swimming Pool/Splash Pad Feasibility Study Status

The idea of having a splash pad facility in town was first discussed the summer of 2016, but was put on hold until the concept of creating Lake Eyota was determined. In January 2017 the Park Board requested volunteers for an advisory board to report to them and then ultimately to the Council. The advisory board was established in October 2017. March 2018 the Council approved Burbach Aquatics be contracted to complete a feasibility study to build a swimming pool or splash pad. One of the first steps is to determine a location so that construction costs can be estimated. In October the Council agreed that West Side Park was the only suitable possibility of city owned land; but requested investigating the option of purchasing land. The West Side Park location suggested is in the southwest corner of the park, near the intersection of 5 Street and Highway 42, where the ice skating rink is currently. The advisory board is currently focusing on a swimming pool and will continue to research a location as a key point to determine cost in order to complete the feasibility study.

Fire Hall Addition

The new addition is almost ready for equipment to be moved into it so that the existing building can start being remodel. The new addition will hold the trucks and trailers; while the existing building will be meeting rooms, storage, fire fighters lockers, etc. The Fire Department Members are donating man hours to keep this project moving forward, thank you.





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Have a Merry Christmas and Wonderful New Year!

HAPPY



HOLIDAYS

COMMUNITY MEETING TO SAVE THE EYOTA GROCERY STORE

Eyota Residents, Businesses' and Community Groups ~Please attend!

Monday, December 10, 2018 (Next week!)

6:00 pm—7:00 pm

At Eyota American Legion Hall-11 Madison Avenue SW

(Use farthest west entrance doors)

December 12 Council Meeting – NOTE Date Changed!

This is Wednesday, not Thursday.

The meeting will include the annual truth in taxation.

The Council will take comments from property owners regarding their proposed property taxes based on the 2019 budget and 2018 levy to be collected in 2019. Please be reminded that property taxes may have increased due to numerous factors, but one factor is the voter approved addition and remodel of the Fire Hall.