

# City of Sturgeon Newsletter ~ April 2012

## Election Results

**Congratulations go** out to Steve Crosswhite and Kevin Abrahamson. Steve Crosswhite will serve as Alderman for Ward I, and Kevin Abrahamson will continue to serve as Alderman for Ward II. Both will serve a two-year term.

## Coming up.....

Mark your calendars for the annual City Wide Garage Sale!!! **Saturday, May 5, 2012.** As in the past, if you are interested you need to come up to the city office to sign up. Maps and addresses of those who signed up will be available closer to the date and again the **Chamber of Commerce** will be paying for the advertising. *(Thank You Chamber of Commerce)*

May 7, 2012 will be "**Bulk Pick up Day**". And May 11, 2012 Appliance pick up....  
Appliance stickers are **required** and you may purchase them at the City Office.

**\$5.00 Non Freon** Appliances (stove, washers, dryers, dishwashers, furnaces, boilers & dehumidifiers  
(Microwaves do not require a sticker)

**\$20.00 Freon** Appliances- regardless if Freon is still in the appliance.

## Opening of Sidewalk Bids

City Council will open the closed bids for the new sidewalk on April 17, 2012 at 4:00 PM -open to the public

## Water Bills & Recreation Center Dues

We are now able to accept credit card/debit payments for your water bill and Rec. Center dues. Additionally we are able to offer ACH (automatic clearing house), this is the ability to make automatic payments from your checking account. Inquire at the City Office for details.

## Police Department

Will Parker is a new addition to the Sturgeon Police Department. Will is looking forward to working and relocating with his family to our community. Will, a former member of the United States Army who was located in South Carolina, Texas and Korea and served our country for four years. Will also worked as a Macon County Deputy for more than two years where he realized law enforcement and community service was his calling. Will's wife Sheila and their two son's Isaac and Gabriel look forward to becoming a part of our community.

**Another reminder that the City also has an Ordinance that states that each cat and dog over the age of three months, within the city limits of Sturgeon, must have an animal tag and proof of rabies vaccination.** The cost is \$5.00 if the dog/cat is "not-fixed" or \$2.50 if the dog/cat is "fixed". In addition, within this ordinance there is a limitation of the number of dogs and cats allowed at any one particular location. No more than a total of four (4) dogs or cats over the age of six-months are allowed.

### **The City of Sturgeon has an ordinance regulating pools:**

Every person owning land on which a swimming pool which contains twenty-four inches (610 mm) or more of water in depth at any point is situated, shall erect and maintain thereon an adequate enclosure which surrounds either the property or pool area, and which is sufficient to make such body of water inaccessible to small children. Such enclosure, including gates therein, shall be not less than four feet (1,219 mm) above the underlying ground. All gates shall be self-closing and self-latching with latches placed four feet (1,219mm) above the underlying ground and otherwise made inaccessible from the outside to small children. A natural barrier, hedge, pool cover or other protective device approved by the governing body shall be an acceptable enclosure so long as the degree of protection afforded by the substituted devices or structures is not less than the protection afforded by the enclosure, gate and latch described herein.

Come to the city office for a complete copy of the ordinance or you can view the city code at <http://ordinances.sturgeon-mo.org/> Chapter 12 section 12.400

## STURGEON SUMMER FESTIVAL

2012 Sturgeon Summer Fest - Friday, June 22nd - Sunday, June 24th  
PARADE THEME: "Cruisin' on a Road Trip"  
Grand Marshals: Ruby Barnes & Mary Woodruff

Activities Include:

Friday: Fish Fry, Horse Pull, Queen Contest

Saturday: Pancake Breakfast, Parade, Inflatable's, FREE Concerts, Baby Show, Car Show, Co-Ed Volleyball, Horse Shoe Tournament, Hot Rod Pull

Sunday: Community Church Service & Potluck, Horse Show

More info: e-mail: SturgeonSummerfest@gmail.com or call (573) 687-2122.

## **Mt. Horeb Cemetery**

The Perpetual Care fund's interest returns haven't improved. We received a few nice donations to the maintenance fund last year but this spring's mowing will soon deplete those funds. The mowing season is early this year so please remove anything not permanently mounted on the head stone. Memorial Day decorations may be placed no sooner than May 15<sup>th</sup> and will be allowed until June 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fund Raiser**

The board will soon be accepting any donations of yard sale items for the Mount Horeb Cemetery Fund Raiser June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Alternate rain date of June 9<sup>th</sup> has been set. Location is 310 South Rochford, many items from the estate of the late Roy Miles, there will be something for everyone. All proceeds / donations are for maintenance of Mt. Horeb Cemetery. Watch for flyers with more detail of items. Please call or see Bill Frazier, 687-3303

## **Park & Tree Board**

This year's application for the TRIM grant is being completed. We will remove several more hazard and dying trees, prune several and plant another 20 new ones. Flatwork, (Gary Arends) donated new lumber to replace the picnic table tops and seats in the city park shelter house. **Thanks Gary!** That work is nearly complete. John Gingerich has replaced all of the boards on the park benches this winter and they look very nice too. Thanks John! The High School art class has repainted the playground equipment and that was a big improvement too. Again, **Thank You** to the students and Anna Osborn. As soon as we can get new doors and the electrical hooked up, the bathrooms will be opened. All meetings are open and occur the third Monday evening at 7:00 at City Hall. Please come and bring your suggestions.

## **City Council Schedule ~**

The council meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each Month. Tentative agendas are posted in the window at the city office.

Public attendance is encouraged and the public is given an opportunity to speak at the first part of the meeting (if they are on the agenda). If you would like to be placed on the agenda as a guest, please contact the city office no later than the Wednesday before the Scheduled Date of the council meeting.

### **Office Hours:**

(573) 687-3321

**Monday ~ Thursday:** 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Friday:** 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

### **Sturgeon Police Dept:**

(573) 687-3300

In case of an **Emergency - 911**

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