

City of Sturgeon Newsletter ~ March 2010

Greetings from the City Office ~

Notice: The next city council meeting will be Monday 22nd of March.

Current City Council: (Ward I is West of Ogden & Ward II is East of Ogden)

- Mayor Gene Kelly
- Shawn Arends ~ Ward I
- Andy Perkins ~ Ward I
- Dean Connolly ~ Ward II
- Kevin Abrahamson ~ Ward II

WATER AND SEWER RATE INCREASE

It is now a requirement that the city charge 2% of its MHI (Median Household Income) for water and sewer. Sturgeons MHI are \$33,173.00/yr. That amounts to \$663.46/yr or \$55.29/month. At the present time the average for the city is only \$39.48/month. If the city doesn't comply with this requirement the city will be unable to receive any grants or loans from the federal or state government for any water or sewer needs.

The government will allow the city to raise the rates by as little as 3% per year. That means as an example someone using 2,000 gallons per month will have a monthly increase of 0.89 cents. Someone using 4,000 gallons per month will have a monthly increase of \$1.21,

The council plans to vote on this issue at the March 22nd, 2010 meeting.

DIESEL IN STURGEON IS A GOOD FIT

In cooperation with Casey's General Stores, the Economic Develop Committee is trying to bring the availability of diesel to the Sturgeon Casey's General Store. Sturgeon citizens and area residents can help by using the Super Unleaded side of the gas pumps. The gasoline in both underground tanks are the same product composed of 10% ethanol and rated at 89 octane, mandated by Missouri state law. By selecting the Super Unleaded side of the pumps, this will show Casey's General Stores the interest of area residents for Casey's General Stores to change one tank to diesel. Casey's General Stores will be using the Super Unleaded selection as a marketing poll to see if resident interest is enough to sell diesel in Sturgeon. Everyone's participation would be greatly appreciated to help bring a vital product to Sturgeon and keep sales tax revenue here at home for the growth of Sturgeon as a whole.

GOODWILL BOX IN STURGEON

A brand new Goodwill box will be set on the railroad property just north of the middle school gym. They tell us they will pick up the donated clothes, etc once a week.

RECYCLE BIN IS BEING MOVED

The large recycle bin for containers and paper is being moved from the recreation center to the railroad property just north of the middle school gym.

STURGEON CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE AND BBQ

The annual city garage sale will be May 1st. Sign up at the city office. The chamber of commerce will have a BBQ that day beside Larry's market.

BULK TRASH PICKUP

Bulk trash pickup will be May 4th.

4 CORNERS FARMERS MARKET

The farmers market will open behind Ritchies April 10th. To open a booth you can call Jennifer Holland @ 573-687-2105 or you may pickup the information at the city office.

STURGEON SUMMER FESTIVAL

The Sturgeon Summer Festival is being put on by the Sturgeon Chamber of Commerce with the help of the Sturgeon 4-H, Sturgeon Saddle Club and volunteers. If you would like to help call June Kelly @ 687-2122.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Congratulations to Chief Bible on getting a \$1,000 donation from the Moberly Wal-Mart for the police department. This is the third grant and donation she has been able to get this fiscal year. (June 09-July10) The two previous federal grants were \$9,700 and \$475.

The city will be interviewing for a new police officer. The dead line for submitting an application was March 15th.

STURGEON REC CENTER RENTAL RATE CHANGES

Due to increasing cost we are raising the rental rates for the Sturgeon Recreation Center. We are also instituting a new rental period which is Friday nights after 8:30 PM. These rates go into effect 7/1/2010.

Friday after 8:30/pm until Saturday 6:00 AM	\$50
Friday starting at noon until Saturday 6:00 AM	\$150
Saturday 6/am until Sunday 6:00 AM	\$200
Sunday 6/am until Sunday 6:30 PM	\$100

HONOR FLIGHT

Central Missouri Honor Flight is ready to start flying our WWII veterans to Washington DC to see their memorial. If you are a WWII veteran and are interested in making the trip or know of someone you may contact Central Missouri Honor Flight at KOMU-TV, 5550 Hwy 63 South, Columbia, Mo 65201 or www.centralmissourihonorflight.com or Barb Bruggeman at 573-301-5657.

City Council Schedule

The council meets the 4th 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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