

March 11, 2025

Ruthton News

...NOTICES...

The 2025 Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting with the Pipestone County Assessors will be held on Thursday, April 10, 2025 at the Ruthton Community Center from 7:00—7:30 pm.

THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE THE SECOND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 6:30 PM.

RECYCLING COLLECTION FOR
MARCH
3/3/25, 3/17/25 & 3/31/25
APRIL
4/14/25 & 4/28/25

CITY OF RUTHTON

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FEBRUARY 10, 2025

Mayor Stan Townsend called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Darwin Sietsema, Brian Baartman, and Stu Peterson. Also in attendance were Darrin Haroldson and Rochelle VanderWoude.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all those in attendance.

Minutes of the January meeting were approved by M/Peterson 2/Baartman/cd unanimously.

Wastewater Supervisor, Darrin Haroldson gave the council his report for the month of January and answered the council's questions.

The January bills were presented and approved by M/Baartman 2/Sietsema/cd unanimously.
RECEIPTS = \$19,482.37 DISBURSEMENTS = \$17,812.90

Resolution 2025-03; Resolution Supporting the Request for State Bonding for Infrastructure Improvements was approved by M/Baartman 2/Sietsema/cd unanimously.

The Good Neighbor Agreement with Box Car Wind Project was tabled until next month to obtain more information.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Rochelle VanderWoude
Ruthton City Clerk/Treasurer

...NOTICE...

...STARTING IMMEDIATELY...

DUE TO THE ANTICIPATED WET SEASON, WE NEED THE PUBLIC'S HELP WITH THE SUMP PUMPS. SUMP PUMPS NEED TO BE ROUTED OUTSIDE AND **NOT** INTO THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM. THIS IS ACCORDING TO RUTHTON CITY CODE #51.080. DARRIN MAY BE COMING AROUND TO DO HOUSE TO HOUSE INSPECTIONS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE TALK TO DARRIN, OR ANOTHER COUNCIL MEMBER. PLEASE CHECK WITH YOUR HOUSEHOLD INSURANCE COMPANY FOR SEWER BACKUP INSURANCE.

CITY OF RUTHTON

MAYOR:
STAN TOWNSEND

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
DARWIN SIETSEMA
BRIAN BAARTMAN
CHRIS MCCURDY
STEWART PETERSON

CITY CLERK/TREASURER:
ROCHELLE VANDERWOUDE

WASTEWATER SUPERVISOR:
DARRIN HAROLDSON

FIRE CHIEF:
CASEY FRITZ

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

RABIES CLINIC

MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025

4:00 - 6:00 PM

OLD RUTHTON FIRE HALL

PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
THIS DAY!

REMEMBER:

ALL DOGS & CATS NEED THEIR
ANNUAL PET LICENSE & TAGS



Remember that it is
cheaper to purchase a
license than to get
your animal out of the
pound.

THE CITY OF RUTHTON IN CONJUNCTION
WITH WESTERN VETERINARY CLINIC OF
TYLER DOES THIS FOR YOUR
CONVENIENCE AND WE WOULD LIKE A
LARGE AMOUNT OF PARTICIPATION.

SECTION 91.02 of the RUTHTON CITY
CODE STATES:

All **DOGS & CATS** over the age of six
months kept, harbored, or maintained by
their owners in the city, shall be licensed
and registered with the city.

SPRING CITY CLEANUP

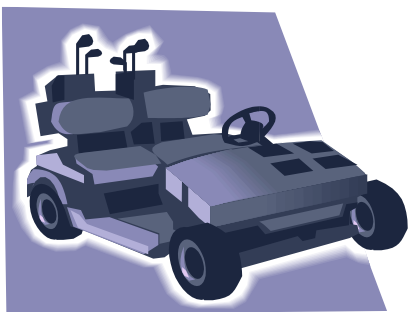
MAY 12 - 17, 2025

CITY LIMIT RESIDENTS
ONLY ON GARBAGE ROUTE

NO COMMERCIAL

WATCH FUTURE HANDOUTS
FOR MORE DETAILS.

...REMINDERS...



If you own a golf cart and plan on driving it around town, you now
MUST have a permit for the golf cart according to Ruthton City Code
73.08.

You will need proof of insurance in order to obtain a permit.

The cost of the permit is \$15.00

Please come to the city clerks office to obtain a permit or apply for one
on-line.

Golf Cart Permits need to be renewed annually.

NOTICE

The city has received numerous complaints of dogs running at large, barking dogs, dogs doing their business on other homeowners property, and dogs getting into garbage and damaging yards. The Ruthton City Code §91.02 (A) and §91.07 (A), (B), and (C) states:

§91.02 (A) Running at Large is prohibited. It shall be unlawful for the dog or cat of any person who owns, harbors, or keeps a dog or cat, to run at large. A person who owns, harbors, or keeps a dog or cat which runs at large shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

§91.07 (A) Habitual Barking. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or harbor a dog which habitually barks or cries. Habitual barking shall be defined as barking for repeated intervals of at least five minutes with less than one minute of interruption. The barking must also be audible off of the owner's or caretaker's premises.

§91.07 (B) Damage to Property. It shall be unlawful for any person's dog or other animal to damage any lawn, garden, or other property, whether or not the owner has knowledge of the damage.

§91.07 (C) Cleaning up Litter. The owner of any animal or person having the custody or control of any animal shall be responsible for cleaning up any feces of the animal and disposing of the feces in a sanitary manner whether on their own property, on the property of others or on public property.



RUTHTON FIREMANS
RELIEF ANNUAL
OPEN HOUSE



SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025

RUTHTON COMMUNITY CENTER

SERVING FROM 5:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

PORK SANDWICHES, POTATO SALAD,
BAKED BEANS, ICE CREAM
AND BEVERAGE

FREEWILL DONATION

...NOTICE...

FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM THE CITY ABOUT PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS:

- Ruthton City Ordinance requires owners and occupants of all residential and commercial property within the City of Ruthton to keep their properties free and clear of weeds, rubbish, debris, and junk.
- The ordinance applies to the condition of the property AND the condition and state of repair of structures on the property.
- Most Property Maintenance Area(s) of Concern includes but is not limited to:
 - * Abandoned/Unlicensed/Inoperable Vehicles including trailers and campers on Private Property
 - * Storing a Commercial Vehicle in a Residential Area
 - * Parking in Front Yards
 - * Grass Exceeding 12”
 - * Weeds, Trees, Vines, Overgrown Brush
 - * Fences/Hedges/Trees Obstructing Traffic View (Line of Sight)
 - * Peeling, Chipped or Cracked Paint
 - * Structural Violations – Doors, Windows, Shutters, Roof, Siding, etc.
 - * Debris Located in the Street of the Public Right of Way
 - * Pet Waste
 - * Solid Waste of Recycling Containers being stored in Public Right of Way for more than 24 hours
- Help your neighbors, friends, family and those in need with their property if they may have a violation condition present.

LAST YEAR WE GOT A GREAT START TO HOMEOWNERS STARTING TO CLEAN-UP THEIR PROPERTIES. THE CITY IS ASKING THAT YOU PLEASE CONTINUE.

LETTERS OF VIOLATION WILL BE GOING SOON FOR NON-COMPLIANCE. AFTER MAY 12, 2025 THE COUNCIL WILL STEP IN AND START THE PROCESS AGAIN TO GET YOU IN COMPLIANCE!

LET'S TAKE ACTION!

THANK YOU!

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CAN BE
TAKEN TO 718 4TH ST N.W. IN PIPESTONE
EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 7:00 AM—1:00 PM

REMEMBER THAT IF YOU HAVE ANY UNLICENSED
VEHICLES IN YOUR YARDS OR ON THE STREETS,
THEY NEED TO BE LICENSED OR TAKEN CARE OF
IMMEDIATELY.