

# Ruthton News

...NOTICES...

THE CITY OFFICE  
WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY 11/11/24  
IN OBSERVANCE OF  
VETERAN'S DAY

DUE TO THE  
VETERAN'S DAY  
HOLIDAY ON  
MONDAY 11/11/24  
GARBAGE PICKUP  
WILL BE ON  
TUESDAY 11/12/24.

THE REGULAR CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING  
SCHEDULED FOR  
MONDAY 11/11/24  
WILL BE HELD ON  
TUESDAY 11/12/24  
DUE TO THE  
VETERAN'S DAY  
HOLIDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

OCTOBER  
RECYCLING DAYS  
  
10/14/24 & 10/28/24  
  
NOVEMBER  
RECYCLING DAYS  
  
11/11/24 & 11/25/24

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## SEPTEMBER 9, 2024 COUNCIL MINUTES

Mayor Stan Townsend called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Brian Baartman, Chris McCurdy, and Stu Peterson. Absent was Darwin Sietsema. Also in attendance was Darrin Haroldson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Minutes of the August meeting were approved with corrections by M/Peterson 2/Baartman/cd unanimously.

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

Building permit for Jamey Bultinck for an 18' x 36' attached garage to his house at 560 Cleveland Street was approved by M/Baartman 2/McCurdy/cd unanimously.

The August bills were presented and approved by M/Peterson 2/McCurdy/cd unanimously. Receipts = \$18,352.60. Disbursements = \$31,510.31.

The 2025 Police Contract was discussed. The contract is the same as the 2024 contract. The total cost shall not exceed \$14,560. After discussion it was approved to sign the 2025 Police Contract by M/Baartman 2/Peterson/cd unanimously.

CITY OF RUTHTON  
**MAYOR:**  
STAN TOWNSEND  
**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**  
DARWIN SIETSEMA  
BRIAN BAARTMAN  
CHRIS MCCURDY  
STEWART PETERSEN  
**CITY CLERK/TREASURER:**  
ROCHELLE VANDERWOUDE  
**PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR:**  
DARRIN HAROLDSON  
**FIRE CHIEF:**  
CASEY FRITZ

The 2025 utility rates were reviewed and discussed. A \$1.00 increase plus tax to the garbage was approved by M/Baartman 2/McCurdy/cd unanimously.

The proposed levy was discussed and it was decided to increase the 2025 Levy 5% by M/Peterson 2/Baartman/cd unanimously. The final levy will be discussed for final approval again at the December meeting.

The 2025 budget was approved by M/Baartman 2/McCurdy/cd unanimously.

Both City Clerk/Treasurer Rochelle VanderWoude and Wastewater Supervisor Darrin Haroldson received a 5% raise.

The council discussed the rental agreement for the Bus Garage to Tyler Bus Service. Currently the rate for rent is \$350.00 per month for five (5) stalls. It was decided to increase the rent to \$400.00 per month by M/Baartman 2/Peterson/cd unanimously.

A donation was received and accepted for the cemetery fund from Jim & Judy Hibma.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. by M/McCurdy 2/Baartman/cd.

Rochelle VanderWoude  
Ruthton City Clerk/Treasurer

### SERVICE LINE INVENTORY

The City of Ruthton service line inventory is publicly available and you can check the materials for your service line by visiting the Lead Inventory Tracking Tool (LITT) at <https://maps.umn.edu/LSL>

Or you may also contact the City of Ruthton at (507) 658-3902 for additional information.

We mistakenly may have provided a past link on individual service line customer notices that did not have the data readily available on the web.

# NOTICES

## LOCATING CURB STOP

WITH WINTER APPROACHING AND THE PLOWING OF SNOW DRAWING NEAR, WE WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT THE CURB STOP FOR YOUR WATER IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA TO MARK THE CURB STOP TO TRY TO PREVENT IT FROM BEING BENT OR BROKEN OFF. IF YOU NEED HELP IN LOCATING YOUR CURB STOP, PLEASE CALL THE CITY OFFICE AT 658-3902.

## FALLEN LEAVES

THERE WILL BE NO BURNING OF LEAVES AGAIN THIS YEAR IN THE CITY LIMITS OF RUTHTON. PLEASE BAG YOUR LEAVES AND PUT THEM BY THE CURB. DARRIN WILL BE AROUND TO PICK UP THE BAGS.

THE COMMUNITY CENTER WILL BE OPEN FROM OCTOBER 15TH - APRIL 15TH WHEN THE TEMPERATURE IS 40 DEGREES OR BELOW AND THE POWER HAS BEEN OUT FOR 4 HOURS OR MORE.

## CLEARING THE STREETS

THE CITY COUNCIL IS ASKING THAT ALL CAMPERS AND VEHICLES BE REMOVED FROM THE STREETS BY NOVEMBER 1, 2023.

## YARD WASTE

THE CITY IS ASKING THAT YOU LIMITED THE WEIGHT OF YOUR YARD WASTE TO 30 LBS. PER BAG.

YARD WASTE INCLUDES LAWN CLIPPINGS, LEAVES, AND APPLE PEELING, ETC.

THANK YOU!

## **CITY OF RUTHTON PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTION**

CITY ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 5, 2024

MAIN-IN BALLOT

### OFFICES TO BE VOTED ON:

MAYOR—TWO (2) YEAR TERM  
2—FOUR (4) YEAR TERM COUNCIL MEMBERS

### SPECIAL ELECTION:

1—TWO (2) YEAR TERM COUNCIL MEMBER