

FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Hello Everyone,
Spring is finally in the air, and with the change of seasons comes a few important updates and reminders.

Fee Schedule Updates

Please note that there have been recent changes to the City's fee schedule. These updates are now available for viewing on our website. One change we want to highlight is the dog pet license fee, which has increased from \$5 to \$10.

Pet Licensing Reminder

A friendly reminder that all pet licenses expire on May 31 and must be renewed annually prior to that date. Renewing on time helps keep our records up to date and avoids any late issues.

City-Wide Garage Sales

Mark your calendars! City-wide garage sales will take place on Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2.

Printed garage sale calendars will be available the week prior to the event. If you would like your sale included on the calendar, please be sure to submit your information to our office no later than April 23.

As always, thank you for helping keep our community organized and informed. We're looking forward to a great spring season ahead!



CITYWIDE CLEAN-UP SATURDAY, MAY 9TH

RESIDENTS may bring items to
196 Eledredge St W from 7:45-10:45 a.m.
Please only bring items listed as acceptable (see enclosed). Items on the "NOT ACCEPTED" list will be turned away. If you would like to arrange a pickup, contact City Hall at 218-352-6200.

Cost for pickup is \$15 (\$5 for seniors).

City-wide Garage Sales

**Friday, May 1st and
Saturday, May 2nd**

If you would like your sale added to the list/map, please be sure to get your information to us no later than **April 23**.

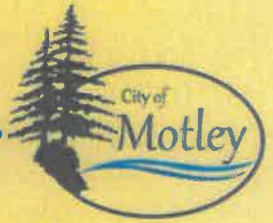
Garage sale lists/maps will be available for pick-up the week of the sale.

Thank you!

MORRISON COUNTY-MOTLEY FAIR



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Important Dates

- March 2nd: Planning & Zoning Meeting
- March 9th: City Council Meeting
- April: Hydrant Flushing
- April 5th: Easter
- April 6th: Planning & Zoning Meeting
- April 13th: City Council Meeting
- May 1st-2nd: City Wide Garage Sales
- May 4th: Planning & Zoning Meeting
- May 9th: City Wide Clean Up
- May 11th: City Council Meeting
- May 25th: Memorial Day
- City Offices Closed
- June 11th-14th: Motley Fair
- June 13th: June Fest
- June 19th: Juneteenth
- City Offices Closed

WELCOME Spring

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FROM THE DESK OF THE MAYOR

As we move into March, I want to thank everyone for their continued involvement in our community. Spring is just around the corner, and with it comes a renewed sense of energy and opportunity for our city. Whether it's attending local meetings, supporting our small businesses, or simply checking in on neighbors, your efforts make a real difference. Thank you for helping keep our community strong, connected, and moving forward together.

FIRE DEPARTMENT As we head into spring, the Fire Department would like to remind residents to practice safe outdoor habits. Please remember that burn permits are required for most open burning—be sure to verify current burning restrictions before you light anything. As you begin spring clean-up, take extra care with brush and yard debris, keeping piles manageable and away from buildings or dry areas. We also ask that you check the visibility of your house address from the road, as clear numbering helps ensure a faster emergency response. Your cooperation helps keep our entire community safe.



From the Chief's Desk

Springtime Reminders for Our Community

As we welcome the warmer weather and the start of spring, it's a great time to freshen up our yards, enjoy the outdoors, and make sure we're all staying in compliance with a few important city ordinances. Please consider the following friendly reminders:

Trapping Regulations

The use of leg-hold traps, body-gripping traps, and other traps designed to cause unnecessary suffering to animals is prohibited within city limits.

Dogs and Cats – § 90.20

All dogs and cats are required to be licensed, and license tags must be attached to their collars. Proper licensing helps us quickly reunite lost pets with their families.

Prohibited Materials – § 91.38

Leaves, hay, and grass clippings may not be placed improperly. Please dispose of yard waste in accordance with city guidelines.

Grass Height – Statute §91.37

Grass exceeding 9 inches in height is considered a violation. Regular mowing helps keep our neighborhoods looking their best.

These are simply friendly reminders to help maintain a safe, humane, and attractive community for everyone to enjoy this spring. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Police Department. Thank you for your cooperation, and enjoy the season! – Chief Yoder

From Public Works

Public Works will be conducting our annual fire hydrant flushing throughout the month of April. During this time, you may notice temporary decreases in water pressure or some discoloration. This is normal and should clear up quickly. Thank you for your patience.

We are also moving forward with construction of the new splash pad – more updates will be shared as work progresses.



Spring Clean-Up will take place on Saturday, May 9. We encourage everyone to participate and help keep our community looking its best.



PLEASE REMEMBER: Garbage & Recycling Guidelines Ordinance §51.03

PAWS & REMEMBER! PET LICENSES EXPIRE MAY 31. MAKE SURE YOUR FURRY FAMILY MEMBERS STAY OFFICIAL CITY PETS—RENEW THEIR LICENSE BEFORE THE DEADLINE!

Garbage and recycling containers must be placed directly behind the curb line along your property. If there is no curb, containers should be placed directly behind the ditch line. Do not place containers in the street, on sidewalks, or anywhere that interferes with vehicle or pedestrian traffic. Containers should be set out no earlier than 6:00 PM the evening before collection and no later than 6:00 AM on collection day. Lid openings must face the street, and containers should be placed at least three (3) feet apart to allow for mechanical pickup. All garbage and recycling containers must be removed by 6:00 AM the following day.

Clear Water Sewer Connections

The City of Motley has the following ordinance regarding these connections:

§ 53.05 (J) No person(s) shall make connection of roof downspouts, foundation drains, areaway drains or other sources of surface runoff or ground water to a building sewer or indirectly to the wastewater disposal system.

Quick Compliance Reminder:

- Sump pumps, foundation drains, stairwell/window well drains, roof downspouts, and yard drains may not discharge into the sanitary sewer.
• All clear water must discharge outdoors onto your property or into the storm sewer system.
• Discharge should extend away from your foundation and must not create a nuisance for neighbors or sidewalks.

Sanitary sewers are designed for wastewater only. Clear water connections increase treatment costs for the entire community.

Thank you for helping keep our community clean and safe!