

Livermore City Hall News

April 1, 2018

The City of Livermore has the following new/updated Ordinances—please read carefully:

Ordinance No. 2017-2, Title III, Chapter 12—Lawn Nuisance (Mowing of property): Grass or weeds are <u>not allowed</u> to grow higher than 8 inches on average. The property owner and occupant are jointly and severally responsible for mowing. If a violation occurs, written notice will be sent to both with the action that is to be taken to remedy the violation. You will be given 10 days from the date of the notice to mow or the city will mow the property and assess the costs to you. <u>Only 1 notice per mowing season will be given</u>. The first notice will constitute notice for the balance of the mowing season. Further action will be taken by the city to remedy the problem that occurs again on the same property <u>without additional written notice being given</u>. Please take pride in your community and keep Livermore looking nice.

Ordinance No. 2017-3, Title III, Chapter 4-33, **Dumping of Snow**. It is unlawful for any person to throw, push, or place or cause to be thrown, pushed or placed, any ice or snow from private property, sidewalks, or driveways onto the traveled way of the street or alley or to create a hazardous condition.

Ordinance No. 2017-4, Title VI, Chapter 3-4, Utilities-Water System, Mandatory Connections. All residences and business establishments within the City limits intended or used for human habitation, occupancy or use shall be connected to the public water supply if it is reasonably available.

Ordinance No. 2018-1, Title II, Chapter 5-12 (NSF Fee charge): Any check, automated clearinghouse (ACH) or Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) returned for nonsufficient funds or closed account shall be treated as a nonpayment and a fee of \$25 plus bank fees shall be charged. Also a fee of \$25 plus state collection fees will be charged to all delinquent accounts that are placed in the Iowa State Offset Program.

Ordinance No. 2018-2, Title III, Chapter 4-21 & 4-29, School & No Parking Zones. Eliminates these designated areas since the school bus routes & stops change on an as needed basis and the City of Livermore does not have any designated "no parking" zones.

Ordinance No. 2018—3, Title VI, Chapter 2, Section 4, 5 & 7, Sump Pumps added to the sewer connection language and an inspection program to start. Required for the updated Hazard Mitigation Plan. Sump Pump inspections will begin this spring.

Livermore Recycling News

Please Use Your Recycling Center Correctly & You will save yourself and the city money! Garbage rates will increase if residents choose to fill their garbage with recyclables. Please sort and put in the correct area.

Newspaper & Magazines

<u>Tin cans</u>—wash out, do not need to remove labels.

<u>Glass</u>-No flat glass, no light bulbs, colored glass is OK. <u>Cardboard</u>—no waxy containers such as almond/soy milk, orange juice, ice cream carton. Remove packaging materials from shipping box. Remove pizza from pizza box.

<u>Plastic</u>- wash out, do not have to remove lids. No Styrofoam or bubble wrap, No oil containers, No broken household items, such as coffee pots, printers, etc.



<u>Aluminum</u>— Landfill rates are going up. Please donate pop & beer cans to the "Keep the Pool Afloat" area next to the recycling center.

Report

Car

Water Project Update

Sal with Ferguson installed 171 water meters in January with only a few more left to install. He thanks the Livermore residents for their cooperation.

Beemer will be back in town soon. They will be working in the alley between 3rd & 5th Street and 4th & 5th Avenue. When they put the new system into service, you may experience low water pressure or interruption of service. Please check the LED sign at City Hall & listen to local radio stations in case a boil order is necessary.

Quam will be in town to touch up some dirt work and to seed lawns. June 1st is still the completion date for the project.

Congratulations to Twin Rivers Elementary School — named "High Performing"!

Thank you to retired Livermore City Council members Penny Porter (40 years) & Sandy Satern (4 years). Will Smith and Paul Brown join Robert Foth, Janice Schmieder & Kelly Frock as your current City Council.

Check out the City's website at www.livermoreiowa.org. You will find information on the Humboldt County Freedom Rock, Fire Department, Library, City Ordinances, plus City Job opportunities. Water & City updates are always posted on the home page. Many thanks to Kirk Hundertmark for volunteering his time & talent to this project!

Moving Out of Town Forms -We would appreciate you taking the time to fill these out so we have your forwarding address to send your final read out to you and to refund your utility deposit. Thank you!

Reminder—City Animal Control Ordinance 4-1-2 states "a total of not more than four pets" may be owned and maintained in Livermore. 4-1-3 All dogs 6 months or older shall be vaccinated against rabies. 4-1-4 No owner or person having custody of an animal shall permit such animal to run at large. You need to have animals on a leash and you need to be in control. Changes are in the works to have your dogs registered at City Hall.

Spring & Summer Happenings in Livermore

April 16—Burn Barrels: Sign up at City Hall. \$15 per barrel.

April 19—Hydrant Flushing

April 27—Arbor Day Program at Library. 2 pm. Sign up at City Hall for Tree drawing. Yvonne McCormick, Horticulturalist, is guest speaker.

May 28—Memorial Day Services at the American Legion Post #415.

June 2—Pool Opens, 1 p.m.

June 3—Pool Benefit, 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

June 4—Clean Up Day, TV or Appliance—\$15 each. Please sign up at City Hall. <u>Items that will NOT BE PICKED UP include (but limited to):</u>

Tires, batteries, concrete, paint, stain or varnish. Please call City Hall with questions.

June 16—Summer Fest at Sacred Heart Church, 5:30—8:00 p.m. Meal. Games, Silent Auction.

June 15-16, City Garage Sales—call Eileen Collins, 368-1527, if interested in having one.

July 16—20, Vacation Bible School, "Hero Central"

July 20, 21, 22—Livermore DAZE

City Council Meetings—2nd Tuesday of each month, 6 pm

American Legion Breakfast-2nd Sunday of each month, from 8 a.m. to noon.

More Information for Livermore residents:

<u>SEWER NEWS</u>: Never flush anything other than toilet paper down the toilet, regardless of what the packaging promises. Put these items in the garbage: Disinfecting wipes, baby wipes or "flushable" wipes/Cotton swabs &cotton balls/Feminine hygiene products/Paper towels/Facial tissue.

Mosquito Control - No Spray Register—need to sign up at City Hall.

Building Permits— for new construction or when physically changing the outside of your home/property. Maintenance issues do not need a permit. \$5 fee. Council approval is required.

Destruction Building Permits—needed for proposed demolition or removal of property. \$10 fee. Council approval required. Restrictions apply—ask to see City Ordinance 6-13-11.

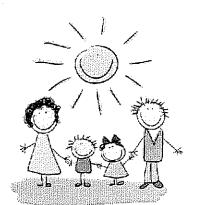
Call 811, Iowa One Call one week before you dig or hire any digging done in town.

Vehicle Nuisance-City Ordinance 3-11. Please make sure your vehicles are operational and have current registration and license plates. Open storage of abandoned and junk motor vehicles are not allowed in Livermore.

Complaints Resolution Process: Robert Foth (515-890-2561) is our utility representative qualified to assist you in resolving complaints. If the City of Livermore does not resolve your complaint, or your complaint is related to service disconnection, safety, or renewable energy, you may request assistance from the Iowa Utilities Board by calling (515)725-7321, or toll-free 1-877-565-4450, or by writing ton 1375 E. Court Ave., Rm. 69, Des Moines, IA 50319, or by E-mail to customer@iub.iowa.gov.

CITY HALL CLOSINGS: March 30 afternoon Good Friday, May 28th Memorial Day, July 4, Sept. 3rd Labor Day

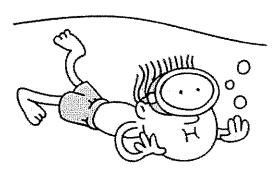
Fun Fact Answer: Nebraska



Livermore Municipal Swimming Pool

Opens Saturday, June 2 at 1 p.m.

Season Passes available, Swimming Lesson Reimbursement Possible.



Pool BBQ Benefit

Sunday, June 3rd, 11 am—12:30 pm Burgers, Beans, Chips, Bars & Drink Free Will Offering

Sponsored by Thrivent

<u>GREAT SUMMER JOB:</u> Lifeguard/Manager applications are available at www.livermoreiowa.org or City Hall. Applications accepted until April 27th. Competitive wages, certification reimbursement & season bonus offered.

Volunteers: If you can help bag cans to "Keep the Pool Afloat", please contact Will Smith at 515-368-3503 or Lisa Hogue 515-341-2474.

<u>Library News</u>

"Thank you everyone for continuing to use our library! We are here for everyone! Here are some events to keep in mind for the Spring." Kris Landolt, Librarian

Every 1st Thursday of the month—Library Board Meeting @ 5:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public & we would like to invite anyone to participate. There are a lot of exciting things going on in the libraries today besides books.

Every 1st Saturday of the month—Kid's Klub from 10 a.m.—11 a.m.

Every 3rd Monday of the month—Adult Book Club @ 5 p.m. You are welcome any time, just show up!

March 31, Easter Program from 9:30 a.m.—10 a.m. Everyone will then proceed to the City Easter Egg Hunt

April 2—Closed, Easter Holiday

April 27—2 pm, Arbor Day Program at Library, sponsored by Library and City Hall

May - Mother's Day Brunch

May 28—Closed, Memorial Day

June—Father's Day Tribute, Flag Day events

July 4th—Closed, Independence Day Holiday

July-Summer Reading Program, TBA

Sept. 3—Closed, Labor Day



Garbage News

New Garbage Bags with pull ties are now available. Same capacity and same price - 50 cents each. To have more than 1 bag/week picked up, you need to purchase orange tags for \$1.50 each. Bags and tags can be purchased at City Hall and Livermore Fastway.

City Dumpsters (temporary & permanent) are available. Out of town dumpsters are not allowed (unless a roll off).

Utility Bills must be up-to-date in order to have a dumpster.

Please refrain from putting your garbage out on the curb more than 12 hours before your pick up time. Be courteous to your neighbors and make sure nothing blows into their yard.

Employee News

We welcome Matt Kellner, our new parttime maintenance person. His past experience and knowledge of equipment should be an asset to the City of Livermore.

Congratulations to Nathan Hosford on passing his Lagoon I License. Also, Congrats to Nathan & Julie on the birth of their baby boy, Levi Jon, on March 8th.

Regional Recycling News

Livermore households can drop off hazardous materials at the <u>Regional Collection Center in</u> <u>Fort Dodge for FREE</u>.

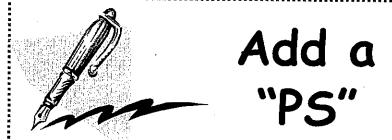
No Garbage.

Items they accept include: aerosols, Antifreeze, Acids/Bases, Batteries, Household Cleaners, Fertilizers, Light Bulbs, Motor Oil,

Pesticides, Poisons, Oil Filters, Oil Based Paints, Pool Chemicals, Gasoline/Kerosene, Stains, Paint thinners/removers, SHARPS *Needles/Syringes* (in approved hard sided container).

All items taken at the Regional Recycling Center are by appointment only.

Call 515-576-5866 or 515-576-5868. 2150 S. 22nd Street, Fort Dodge, IA



To help a neighbor

"PS" is Project Share – a program that assists needy households in paying their winter energy bills. You can help this effort by adding a regular Project Share contribution to your utility payment, or by making a direct donation to Project Share. These funds are distributed to your neighbors in need.

A local social service agency carefully identifies those residents who qualify, and a local committee oversees Project Share to guarantee that all contributions are handled equitably and efficiently.

Adding a "PS" – a Project Share contribution to your utility payment each month is a simple way to share some warmth with those who need it.

City of Livermore 401 4th Avenue PO Box 16 Livermore, IA 50558



Yes, I'd like to help a neighbor with a tax-deductible contribution to Project Share.

Name	
Address	
City	Phone
I will contribute \$ I understand this amount will be	per month to Project Share. billed to me monthly.
I have enclosed a \$	donation to Project Share.



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City Hall is open daily from 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions or concerns call Janet or Sharon at 515-379-1074.

City Library is open daily with varying hours. For more information call the library at 515-379-2078.

Your April bill is included with this newsletter. Please remit payment to City of Livermore as noted above or place in drop box outside of City Hall.

Fun Fact: The First Arbor Day was celebrated on April 10, 1872 in what state?

A) Nebraska

Ohio

C)

California

2017 Tree City USA

Livermore, Iowa was named a 2017 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Our community has been recognized as a Tree City USA Community for 9 out of the last 10 years.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

Livermore achieves Tree City USA status by meeting four core standards of sound ur-

ban forestry management: maintaining a tree board or department, having a community tree ordinance, spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry and celebrating Arbor Day.

Trees are assets to a community when properly planted and maintained. They help to improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

The best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago, the second best time is now. Proverb



Arbor Day 2018
Friday, April 27th, 2 PM
Livermore Library

Program includes:
ISU Extension Speaker
Tree Drawings-sign up
at City Hall
Other giveaways.
Treats and coffee
We hope to see you
there!