

# De Soto Newsletter



January 2017



Pictured: Raccoon River Rental Owner Jason Urban

## Business of the Month

Raccoon River Rentals was opened in 2008 as an existing small equipment sales and rental business in Adel which was purchased by Jason and Camille Urban, after Jason wanted to change career paths. The Urbans soon outgrew the Adel location and decided to relocate north of I-80 on Ellefson Drive in Building 7 in the Commercial Building Park here in De Soto. Raccoon River rentals features equipment ranging from home use items for lawn and garden needs such as tillers and lawn aerators, to construction items like large skid steer loaders, mini-excavators and a wide variety of attachments to complement their capabilities to get the job done. They work with commercial, agricultural and do it yourselfers of all shapes and sizes. Why buy when you can rent and return to get your job done!

Jason loves the rewards of small business ownership, including involving family in day to day routines. His son Mick worked with him this summer to help keep the business running smoothly and Jason feels the reward of having family involved in his day to day operations.

Check out their website [WWW.raccoonriverrental.com](http://WWW.raccoonriverrental.com) for a complete list of equipment rentals available and look for additional features coming in the spring of 2017! Give Jason a call for your next project need at 515-993-1100. They are located north of I-80 at Building 7 on Ellefson Drive in the Commercial Building Park. Jason would love to help you with your equipment needs!

If you are a De Soto Business that would like to be featured in our monthly newsletter, please contact Terri Golightly at 515-988-1964.

### De Soto City Hall

405 Walnut St.  
PO Box 100  
(515) 834-2233

### De Soto Public Library

405 Walnut St.  
PO Box 585  
(515) 834-2690

### De Soto Public Works

(515) 834-2502

### De Soto Police Department

Emergency—911

Non-Emergency  
Dispatch

(515) 559-8305

### Mayor Nick Hasty

(515) 681-9952

### Council Members

Kelly Summy

(515) 834-2151

Karen Wilson

(515) 991-0711

Clayton Wright

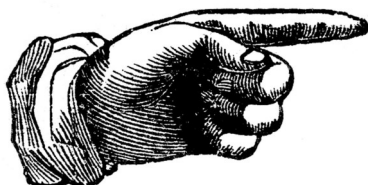
(515) 669-8969

Matthew Sanders

(515) 771-1564

Emily Cramp

## Please Notice This



Pet Licenses are due by  
January 31st. Stop at  
City Hall to renew your  
license today!

## Attention:

Dear ADM Parents,

It's hard to believe that we are already looking forward to welcoming new children to the ADM family for the 2017-2018 school year. In order to give us plenty of time to plan for our new 5-year olds, we ask that you utilize this link <http://kindergarten.adm.k12.ia.us/>

This link will provide us with contact information that will enable us to notify parents of important upcoming dates, such as: Parent Night and Kindergarten Screening. Further, it will help us determine the number of teachers we will need to hire, as well as classroom space that will be needed. Children are eligible for **prekindergarten or kindergarten** if they are five on or before September 15th, 2017.

Finally, if you know of someone who is new to the district and might need this information, we ask you to please share it with them.

Thank you,

Carole Erickson

Adel Elementary Principal

### AfterSchool STEM Club

Does your child like to tinker or build  
or program?

Call the library @ 515-834-2690 for more  
information!

Check us out on Fa-  
cebook to stay up  
to date on  
our programs &  
activities!



## New Movies @ The Library

Mr. Church

Suicide Squad

Sully

The Magnificent Seven

Deepwater Horizon

Keeping Up With the Joneses

The Light Between Oceans

Jack Reacher: Never Go Back

Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children

Storks

# De Soto City Council

December 20th, 2016 Meeting

## CITY OF DESOTO – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 20, 2016 – Mayor Hasty called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Answering roll call was: Mathew Sanders, Kelly Summy, Karen Wilson, and Clayton Wright.

Staff present included City Clerk Marcia Thomas, Police Chief Chris Brooks, Public Works Director Dan Van Langen and City Attorney DeWayne Dalen.

Motion by Summy/Wright to approve the agenda; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Wilson/Sanders to approve the consent agenda; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Wilson/Summy to appoint De Soto resident Pam Bach to fill the city council seat vacancy, term ending December 31, 2017; Summy, Wilson in favor; Sanders, Wright opposed; Motion failed.

Motion by Sanders/Wright to appoint De Soto resident Emily Cramp to fill the city council seat vacancy, term ending December 31, 2017; Sanders, Summy, Wright in favor; Wilson opposed; Motion carried 3-1.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve Resolution 2017-16; A Resolution waiving the right to review plat of survey for James & Judith Yoder, property located at 23338 330<sup>th</sup> Street, Adel, Iowa, an official plat in Dallas County, Iowa, pursuant to Iowa Code 354.9. Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Summy/Wright to approve the site plan for I-80 Trailers, owner Jerry Poore, proposed location Lots 14 & 15, Ellefson Drive, De Soto, Iowa; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Sanders/Wilson to approve Dustin Runge as the new Chief of Police for De Soto, Iowa; Sanders,Summy,Wilson in favor; Wright abstained; Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve the annual salary of \$47,000 for Police Chief Runge; after 6 months a job review with a possible salary increase; Sanders,Summy,Wilson in favor; Wright abstained; Motion carried 3-0.

Renae Johanningmeier with Group Benefits, LTD discussed with Mayor Hasty and city council the benefits of a health savings account/with a high deductible vs a traditional health plan for city employees; Discussion took place; Motion by Summy/Sanders to approve city employees have the option to select a HSA/High deductible plan with the city contributing \$2,250.00 annually to their HSA account; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Renae Johanningmeier with Group Benefits, LTD discussed with Mayor Hasty and city council life insurance and long term disability insurance plans; currently the city has a \$10,000 term life for full-time employees and no long term disability; Discussion took place; Motion by Wright/Sanders to approve full-time employees have a \$25,000 term life plan and all full-time employees have a disability plan; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Summy/Sanders to approve Clayton Wright as a reserve Police Officer for the City of De Soto Police Department; Sanders,Summy,Wilson in favor; Wright abstained; Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Wright/Summy to approve the amendment to the CDBG Administrative contract with Simmering and Cory; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Sanders/Wilson to approve the purchase of new tires from Alley Auto for the public works red truck; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Summy/Wilson to approve the bid of \$1,250.00 from Rick Dykstra to tear out and remove broken concrete on Ash Street and add rock as needed; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Discussion took place regarding the City of De Soto doing a residential, single family, owner occupied tax abatement for new construction homes; Several De Soto residents expressed their concerns and objections to any type of tax abatement. No action taken.

Having no other business Mayor Hasty asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Sanders/Wilson to adjourn @8:45pm; Sanders,Summy,Wilson,Wright all in favor; Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor: Nick Hasty

Attest: City Clerk, Marcia Thomas

## Critter Cindy

January 18th—4:30 PM

Come to a FREE nature program at the library—ROCKin' in the New Year with Critter Cindy!

All Ages Welcome



## Pinterest Night

January 26th—6PM-8PM

Come enjoy something delicious while you get crafty!

Age 16+



## Soup's On!

Looking for something fun to do? Want to spend time with people in your community? Just want to be cozy as the weather gets blustery? Come to the library on February 7th at 11:30AM for soup, coffee and card games!