

CITY OF DESOTO – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 16, 2014 – Mayor Nick Hasty called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Answering roll call was: Robert Greenway, Ten Hansen, Gina Huen, Carol Lee and Kelly Summy.

Staff present included City Clerk Marcia Thomas, Public Works Director Dan Van Langen, Police Chief Kelly Owen, Fire Chief Brandon Hutcheson and City Attorney DeWayne Dalen.

Motion by Lee/Huen to approve the agenda; Greenway,Hansen,Huen,Lee,Summy all in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Summy/Lee to approve the consent agenda; Greenway,Hansen,Huen,Lee,Summy all in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Dallas County Sherriff Chad Leonard discussed with the Mayor and Council the possibility of allowing Dallas County to install a new Public Safety Communication System on De Soto's new water tower. No action taken at this time but more information will be available in the coming months.

Van Meter City Administrator, Jake Anderson, presented the annual report from the Greater Dallas County Development Alliance. The Alliance launched in January 2014, an educational series that has been very popular with local elected officials. Topics have included: TIF, Grants, Sustainability, Housing, Legislation impacting local government, Local Option Sales Tax, boards and governance and assessment of commercial and housing properties.

Item # 2; approve cost of city share of single and family health insurance was tabled until budget workshop.

Motion by Greenway/Huen to approve keeping vacation and sick leave benefits for Library Director Brianna Glenn. She will have a new anniversary date of February 23, 2015 and keep her 356 hours of sick leave. Greenway,Hansen,Huen,Lee,Summy all in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/Summy to approve final pay request \$22,837.00 from Lindale Construction for housing grant @ 113 Maple Street; Greenway,Hansen,Huen,Lee,Summy all in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Hansen/Summy to approve final pay request \$13,442.00 from Lindale Construction for housing grant @ 309 Locust Street; Greenway,Hansen,Huen,Lee,Summy all in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion took place regarding finding a new commercial realtor for city owned properties. No action taken.

Motion by Hansen/Lee to set January 20, 2015 @7:00pm for a Public Hearing to amend the current city budget ending June 30, 2015. Greenway,Hansen,Huen,Lee,Summy all in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Fire Chief Hutcheson discussed with the council some future equipment needs the fire department will have. More discussion will take place at budget workshop.

Having no other business Mayor Hasty asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Summy/Huen to adjourn @8:38pm; Greenway,Hansen,Huen,Lee,Summy all in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor: Nick Hasty

Attest: City Clerk, Marcia Thomas

These minutes are subject to approval by the City Council at its next regular meeting.

Needed!!

FIRE FIGHTERS



Please contact DeSoto
Chief Brandon Hutcheson for
more information!

Call #515.313.5352



**Just a friendly reminder from our Waste
Management drivers - Please keep at
least 3 feet between your garbage &
recycling totes!!!**

PET LICENSES

2015 Pet licenses will be available beginning December 1st at City Hall. The cost is \$5.00 for spayed/neutered pets and \$15.00 for unaltered pets. You must provide a current rabies vaccination certificate in order to purchase a license.

License fees become delinquent after January 31, 2015. The penalty is \$5.00 plus \$2.00 for each additional month the license is not obtained.

The City can no longer mail the license and tag through the post office. The tag catches on their machines.



Attention Citizens - PLEASE READ



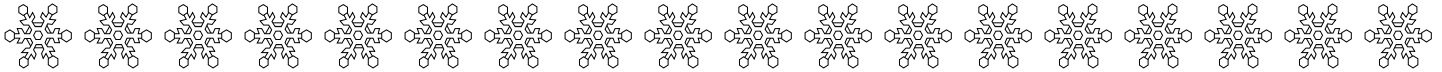
The City will soon be plowing the snow and ice from your city streets. This is a reminder that as hard as we try not to hit mail boxes and garbage cans accidents do happen. It is the responsibility of the home owner to ensure the proper placement of your mail box. This means it is also the responsibility of the home owner to replace or repair it if it is damaged by our plows. Now is a good time to check to make sure that your mail box does not hang into the streets right of way and that it is secure, often times the snow coming off the plow is heavy and can do damage to mail boxes that are not properly mounted to a post.

Also, please remember to shovel an area specific for your waste tote. Just because the plow has gone by your house one time doesn't mean we're done. If you place your tote on the edge of the street it will be hit by our plows.



Lastly - **Please Please** have a talk with your young children about the dangers of playing in snow piles. Keep them out of forts built at the end of driveways or dead end streets. Too many close calls in the past!

....let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!



It's that time of year again.....

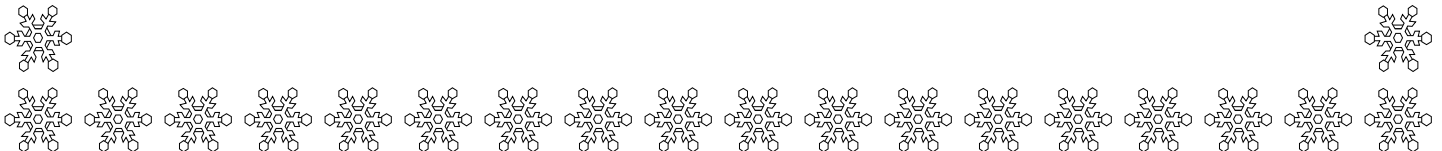
SNOW & ICE ORDINANCE REMINDER

69.09 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

During the period of time when snow and/or ice is falling and for a period of forty-eight (48) hours after cessation of snowfall and/or icfall, it is unlawful for any person to park, abandon, or leave unoccupied or unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley or public off-street parking area.

(Code of Iowa, 321.236 (1))

****VIOLATORS WILL BE TICKETED****



DALLAS COUNTY LOCAL HOUSING TRUST FUND

A mission "to provide and expand safe and affordable housing to low income residents of Dallas County." DCLHTF Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program assists homeowners within Dallas County with housing repairs and correcting code violations.

In order to qualify applicants for DCLHTF Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program, the applicant **and property** must meet certain eligibility requirements.

**Please contact City Hall
@ 834-2233 for more information**



\$\$ REMINDER - UTILITY BILLS \$\$

January 2015 payments must be received by **4:00 pm Thursday, January 15, 2015.**

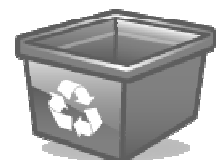
Payments received after 4:00 pm on **January 15, 2015** will have penalties applied, and a delinquent/disconnect notice sent.

Payments not received by 8:00am January 22, 2015 will be subject to shut off and a \$75 reconnect fee due before water will be turned back on.

* We also offer payment by Visa or MasterCard and ACH payments. A night drop box is available outside City Hall as well.

* ACH automatically transfers the monthly amount due from your checking or savings account on the 15th of each month (or next business day after if the 15th falls on a weekend or holiday).

* If you use electronic bill pay please allow sufficient time for processing and mailing of these payments (5-7 days).

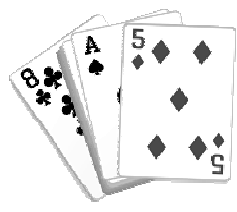




DeSoto United Methodist Church

**Please join us for a Potluck, Fellowship
& Cards/Games**

On January 9, 2015
From 6:30 p.m. - ???



Everyone Welcome!!



Please Join Us Sunday Mornings!

Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....10:00 a.m.

Coffee/Fellowship to follow service.

*The City of DeSoto will be celebrating a Birthday!!
150 Years old...in 2018*

We are looking for volunteers to help form a planning committee.

*Please contact Chair Carrie Cox if you are willing to help us
throw a party!!*

Carrie Cox email: carriecox75@hotmail.com
Phone Number: 515.635.5755



Recycling CONFUSION??

Your new recycle bin (Green w/ Yellow Lid) will be picked up

Mark Your
Calendar!!



on the following days:

January 14 & 28
February 11 & 25
March 11 & 25
April 8 & 22

*** Please have
garbage out by
6:00 AM to avoid
being missed!**

**ALSO, Your garbage tote is BROWN and your recycling tote is
GREEN w/YELLOW LID**

AND...DO NOT put motor oil in garbage totes!!



Waste Management 2015

Holiday Schedule:

Thank you for choosing Waste Management as your environmental services provider. To assist in your planning for the upcoming year, Waste Management will observe the following six holidays:

New Years Day,
Memorial Day,
Independence Day,
Labor Day,
Thanksgiving Day,
Christmas Day.

If a holiday is during the week, Monday through Friday, prior to your service day, collection will be delayed by one day. If the holiday is on Saturday or Sunday, your collection will not change. The holiday schedule is effective for all services including trash, yard waste, and recycling and only applies the week of the holiday. Service the week before and after the holiday will not be impacted.

January is National Radon Action Month

Radon is a colorless, tasteless, and odorless gas that is the second leading cause of lung cancer. Please contact Dallas County Environmental Health (993-5803) for a 5\$ radon test kit and information on how to protect your home.



DESOTO PRIDE
NEWSLETTER

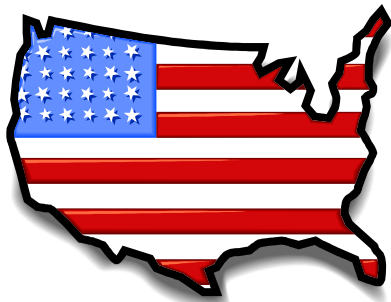
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Happy
New Year

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