



Annual Drinking Water Report Available

The 2016 Drinking Water Report is now available at City Hall or on the City website by visiting the following link: http://www.cityofspearfish.com/document_center/PublicWorks/2016AnnualDrinkingWaterReport.pdf

This is done in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act to provide you with information about the water the City of Spearfish provides to you.

Please contact City Hall at 642-1325 for additional information.

City Code Spotlight

Have you ever wondered what certain code sections mean and how do they apply to individual situations? One such example for the City of Spearfish is the recreational vehicle or trailer ordinance. The city receives many calls each year in regard to neighbors with recreational vehicles, large boats or commercial trailers parked in the street or driveway in front of their homes. Many times contact made with the owner resolves the issue once the owner is provided the ordinance language and simply becomes aware of the law. The ordinance is provided below:

City of Spearfish Zoning Ordinance Appendix A, Article V, Section 4 Storage and Parking of Trailers and Commercial Vehicles Commercial vehicles and trailers of all types, including travel, boat, camping and hauling, shall not be parked or stored on any lot occupied by a dwelling or on any lot in any residential district for more than forty-eight (48) hours **unless it is located behind the front yard building line.**

The front yard building line is the front-most portion of the dwelling structure and applies to the street of which it is fronting. For a corner lot you will have two "front yard building lines" as the dwelling will be fronting two streets. For most recreational vehicles, boats and trailers compliance with the ordinance is achieved by storage behind the front yard building line. Large trailers may need to be stored in suitable storage yards or facilities.

Please contact the Property Maintenance Department at 605-717-1126 or visit the Property Maintenance page at cityofspearfish.com for further information or questions. Public education is the first step in our goal to foster partnership with the community for neighborhood vitality and preservation. If you have a neighbor or know a resident of Spearfish that may benefit from this information please pass along this article.

Some tips for your home from Firewise.org:

- ◆ Clear leaves and other debris from gutters, eaves, porches and decks. This prevents embers from igniting your home.
- ◆ Screen or box-in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating.
- ◆ Wildfire can spread to tree tops. Prune trees so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
- ◆ Remove dead vegetation and other items from under your deck or porch, and within 10 feet of the house. Learn more about the basics of defensible space on the Firewise website.
- ◆ Keep your lawn hydrated and maintained. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire.
- ◆ Remove flammable materials (firewood stacks, propane tanks) within 30 feet of your home's foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don't let it touch your house, deck or porch.
- ◆ Don't let debris and lawn cuttings linger. Dispose of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- ◆ Inspect shingles or roof tiles. Replace or repair those that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration.
- ◆ Cover exterior attic vents with metal wire mesh no larger than 1/8 inch to prevent sparks from entering the home.
- ◆ Enclose under-eave and soffit vents or screens with metal mesh to prevent ember entry.

City of Spearfish

Regular Meeting Times

Meetings are held in Council Chambers

2nd Floor City Hall

- City Council meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Monday at 5:30pm
- Public Works Committee - Tuesdays at 4:15pm before next Council meeting
- Legal & Finance Committee - Wednesdays at 4:15pm before next Council meeting
- Planning Commission - 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 3:00pm
- Parks, Recreation, Forestry Advisory Board - 3rd Thursday at 7:00am
- Airport Board - 2nd Thursday at 1:00pm

If a meeting falls on a holiday, it will be scheduled the following day.

Visit the website for meeting times.

Spearfish Fire Dept Volunteers Needed!

We are actively seeking individuals interested in Fire Service. There are many ways you can serve your community. Previous experience is not required. We provide training that covers all our fire and rescue activities. Some courses will help you achieve State and National Certifications.

Contact us at 605-642-1313 or fire.admin@cityofspearfish.com.

City Tree Replacement Program

The City would like residents to take advantage of the new Street Tree Policy. The City will pay half the cost of the tree up to \$125.00 (\$250.00 total per tree) and plant the tree for the resident. Residents can also receive assistance under the policy for tree removals. Contact Public Works at 642-1333 or visit the Parks, Rec & Forestry page at cityofspearfish.com for more information.

Siren System Testing

Testing of the outdoor warning siren will take place on May 1st. The warning siren will be activated for one (1) minute. In addition, the National Weather Service will conduct a test on April 26th.

Summer seasonal positions are still available!
Visit the Employment page at cityofspearfish.com!

Community Events

High Plains Western Heritage Center

825 Heritage Dr * 642-9378 * westernheritagecenter.com

- * April 23 at 2:00pm - Cowboy Music & Poetry Series (Sponsored by Perkins Family Restaurant of Spearfish)
Featuring Rhonda Sedgwick Stearns is a writer and performer of cowboy poetry. She's been featured at cowboy culture events in Arizona, Idaho, Montana, North and South Dakota, New Mexico, Texas and Wyoming. Admission is \$10/person; kids 6 & under are free
- * May 21 at 2:00pm - Gordy Pratt in Concert. \$10/person, kids 6 & under are free
- * July 22 - Day of the American Cowboy
- * Date TBA at 2:00pm - Paul Higbee Reception. Presentation & Book Signing

"Tom Berry" Thomas Matthew Berry was the 14th Governor of SD. Berry, a Democrat from Belvidere, SD served from 1933-1937.

Spearfish Post 164 American Legion

Baseball is back in action at the BH Power Stadium! Home games for the Varsity and JV teams are:

- * April 29 – 4:00 p.m. vs Douglas High School
- * May 1 – 5:00 p.m. vs RC Central High School (DH)
- * May 3 – 7:00 p.m. vs RC Post 22
- * May 5 – 5:30 p.m. vs Gillette, WY (DH)
- * May 7 – 1:00 p.m. vs Miles City Outlaws (DH)
- * May 9 – 5:30 p.m. vs Douglas High School
- * May 10 – 5:00 p.m. vs Lead-Deadwood High School
- * May 12 – 5:00 p.m. vs Aberdeen (DH)
- * May 18 – 5:30 p.m. vs Douglas High School (DH)
- * May 20 – 1:00 p.m. vs Gillette Rustlers
- * May 25 – 5:30 p.m. vs RC 22 Bullets
- * (DH) – double header

Season tickets are available from any Post 164 baseball player or available at the gate. We hope to see you at the ball park!

Spearfish Community Coalition

The Spearfish Community Coalition will be hosting a community presentation at the High Plains Western Heritage Center on April 27th at 6:30pm. Chelsey Clarke, Strategic Intelligence Unit Supervisor for the Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (RMHIDTA), will be presenting on The Impact that Marijuana Legalization has had on Colorado. Doors will open at 6pm. Seating is limited and on a first come, first served basis. Contact Melissa at spfccdirector@gmail.com with any questions.

Garbage Pick-up Times

Will Often Vary:

It is very important that trash receptacles get put to the curb or alley by 7:00am on the day of your scheduled pick-up. Often, we have substitute and/or relief drivers that may change pick up times on a route to accommodate City work schedules. Setting your receptacle out by 7:00am ensures pick-up and prevents extra fees billed to you.

Recycle!

Contact Kieffer Sanitation at 892-4635 today for a recycling container!
Visit cityofspearfish.com for more recycling information!

DC Booth Fish Hatchery

May 13 ~ Kick-off to the summer season at DC Booth! Venues, including the gift shop, are now open. Stop by between 10:30am to 2pm for free hotdogs, drinks, games and spin the wheel for a chance to win free hatchery swag!

Spearfish Area Historical Society

spearfishhistory.com

May 2 at 7:30pm - The Spearfish Area Historical Society presents, "Black Hills Forestry History," with Bill Coburn as our last meeting before our summer hiatus. Presentation at the Spearfish Senior Center, 1306 Tenth Street. The public is invited. Call 641-8563 for more information!

The Matthews Opera House & Arts Center

612 Main St * 642-7973 * matthewsopera.com

- * April 1 - May 15 - Registration for Children's Summer Theater
- * April 6-27 - BHSU Senior Art Show & Sale
- * May 4-7 - "Greater Tuna" Community Theater
- * May 10 - Bellman Brown Bag - Art Residency at Canyon Hills Center
- * May 12 - Ward Johnston & Friends Jazz Concert

Spearfish Rec & Aquatics Center

122 Recreation Ln * 722-1430 * spearfishrecenter.com

- * Water Park Passes are 1/2 Price until May 1st!
- * April 18 - Better Choices, Better Health begins
- * April 22 - Rummage Sale from 7am-Noon
- * April 29 - Regional Health Fair
- * May 5 - Last Skate Night for the school year! Wear your favorite sports team jersey
- * May 20 - Last 5K run! Jingle Bell Run theme (make-up from cancelled December race)
- * May 27 - Opening day for Water Park!
- * May 30 - Water aerobic classes begin
- * June 5 - Summer Rec begins

Numerous Group Fitness classes are available! Contact the Rec Center for more information!

Grace Balloch Memorial Library

625 N 5th St * 642-1330 * cityofspearfish.com

Looking for a Mother's Day or family activity? Saturday May 13th the library will have watercolor crafts available from 9 am to 4 pm. These projects are appropriate for adults and older children. Children must be supervised.

Spearfish Farmers Market

Every Saturday from 11am-2pm, Crow Peak Brewery, 125 W Hwy 14

Drinking Water Week May 7-13, 2017

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to know it is to love it