

Recycling dates:

January - 11, and 25 – February 8 and 22



City of Lafayette

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January 2018

- 1 – Happy New Year’s Day - Office Closed!
- 4 – Bookmobile – 311 Griebel Lane – 10-10:30am
- 8 - Fire Department meeting – Fire hall
- 8– City Council 7 pm – City Bldg.
- 8 – Public Hearing for Utility rate increase 7 pm City Bldg.
- 9 – Lion’s meeting – 6:45 pm Community Center
- 9 – LCS School Board – 6 pm Technology room
- 14 – Lion’s Dad’s Belgian Waffles, New Location LCS Gym
- 15 – Martin Luther King Day – Office Closed!
- 16– Legion Post 300 Meeting – Community Center
- 18 – Bookmobile – 311 Griebel Lane – 10-10:30am
- 25 – All Utility Payments Due!**
- 29 – Ambulance meeting – Fire hall
- 31 – Final day for \$2 pet tags. February 1st increase to \$8

February 2018

- 1 – Bookmobile – 311 Griebel Lane – 10-10:30am
- 3 – Polar Plunge 1 pm St. Peter – Wild Game feed later at Dave’s Place
- 4 – SUPER BOWL!
- 5 - Fire Department meeting – Fire hall
- 12– City Council 7 pm – City Bldg.
- 13 – Lion’s meeting – Community Center 6:45 pm
- 13 – LCS School Board – 6 pm Technology room
- 19– Presidents’ Day – Office Closed!
- 20– Legion Post 300 Meeting – Community Center
- 25 – All Utility Payments Due!**
- 25 – LCS Annual PROS Auction
- 26 – Ambulance meeting – Fire hall

Rent the Community Center:

Contact the city office to book your event! 228-8241 Make your reservations for 2018 now!

Pet licenses:

\$2 Pet tags due by January 31st, afterwards they return to \$8 per pet. All dogs and cats whether indoor or outdoor need to be licensed.

12/11/2017- Council Briefs

- **Approved the consent agenda**, which included the 11/13/17 meeting minutes, bills for the month totaling \$96,695.29, moved \$32, 663 from street fund to street savings for future sealing, annual audit agreement, and three sump pump waivers.
- **Reports:** Mayor Langhoff received an email from the League of MN Cities about a suggested Learning Point Training on Respectful Workplace, Preventing Harassment. Council approved the requirement for all city employees, including fire and ambulance, to take the training.
- **Utility Rate Study:** Teri Osterman reviewed the rate study with council and gave her recommendations. Council motioned to hold a public hearing for the rate increases at the January 8th meeting.
- **Tax Forfeiture Property:** The city approved going ahead to acquire the property next to city owned property downtown.
- **Well #4** – Council accepted the recommended bid of \$93,457 from Searles Well.
- **Approved 2018 Fire Officers:** Scott VanDeest - Chief, Keith Schuelke – Asst. Chief, Nick Klingler – Secretary, Scott Portner and Mark Voges – Training Officers, Doug Hoffmann & Tom Larson – Truck Runners, and Matt Schiller – Fire Marshal.
- **Approved** sending a letter to the MN Public Utilities Committee in support of the United Natural Gas expansion to the Lower Sioux and incidentals.
- Held the second **Truth in Taxation** hearing where no public were present for comment. After closing the hearing, they approved the 2018 tax levy at \$114, 104; which is a 5.4% or \$5,902.56 increase from last year.

Minutes from previous council meetings, once approved are posted on the city website.

Next Council meeting and Public Hearing on Rate increases Monday, January 8, 2018 and will be held at the city building at 700 9th Street at 7 pm.

True Transit – Rural County-wide Public Transportation is now in Nicollet County! Go to Truetransit.org to see the schedule and areas covered! Lafayette is not a scheduled stop, but rides can be planned if called in advance! Call 800-560-1575 for more information!

Recycling Bin at the C-Store: Lafayette Park & Rec volunteers have taken over the aluminum can recycle bin at the gas station. You may have noticed the new look; it is now a trailer that can be hauled away as soon as it is full! With this change they ask that you NOT put cans into plastic bags and toss in the bag into the bin. Simply bring your aluminum can recycling bin to the store and dump it in! Thank you!