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Therefore, do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

~ Matthew 6:34



## The Weight of the Glass

Once upon a time a psychology professor walked around on a stage while teaching stress management principles to an auditorium filled with students. As she raised a glass of water, everyone expected they'd be asked the typical "glass half empty or glass half full" question. Instead, with a smile on her face, the professor asked, "How heavy is this glass of water I'm holding?"

Students shouted out answers ranging from eight ounces to a couple pounds.

She replied, "From my perspective, the absolute weight of this glass doesn't matter. It all depends on how long I hold it. If I hold it for a minute or two, it's fairly light. If I hold it for a day straight, my arm will likely cramp up and feel completely numb and paralyzed, forcing me to drop the glass to the floor. In each case, the weight of the glass doesn't change, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it feels to me."

As the class shook their heads in agreement, she continued, "Your stresses and worries in life are very much like this glass of water. Think about them for a while and nothing happens. Think about them a bit longer and you begin to ache a little. Think about them all day long, and you will feel completely numb and paralyzed – incapable of doing anything else until you drop them."

The moral: it's important to remember to let go of your stresses and worries. No matter what happens during the day, as early in the evening as you can, put all your burdens down. Don't carry them through the night and into the next day with you. If you still feel the weight of yesterday's stress, it's a strong sign that it's time to put the glass down.

~retrieved from marcandangel.com



DUE TO LABOR DAY GARBAGE PICK UP WILL BE ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6H

### Miscellaneous News

**BINGO** – NEEDING somebody to volunteer to run this!!

Normally was held at the Community Center beginning at 6:00pm in the City Hall twice a month. This helps keep the Friendly Valley Times going. If interested in helping, please contact Renee at the City Hall.

**Friendly Valley Times** – Would you like your Friendly Valley Times Emailed to you? Please send your email address to sign up to srcityhall@heartofiowa.net; subject: FVT.Let's Save A Tree

OR go to the city website – <u>www.steamboatrockiowa.net</u> and sign up there at the bottom of the Home page.

Look below... committees, volunteer work, and lots more.



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### Steamboat Rock Fire Department

### Where has summer gone?

Just a few helpful reminders before the cold weather hits.

- Good time to check your filter if you have had AC on before the heat is needed.
- When it cools down, good time to rinse out your fins on your outside AC unit.
- Remember to clean gutters after the leaves have fallen.

The summer has been dry and sometimes the fall brings rain. IF you plan on burning (leaves or branches), please remember to call Hardin County Sheriff. State your name and address of the burn. It is also a good reminder to contact your local fire chief if you are planning a burn.

If your fire hasn't been reported by yourself and someone calls it in, SRFD will be responding and will be putting it out.

Be responsible, call it in and note the wind speed/direction!!!

Hardin County NON-Emergent number is 641-939-8190.

As Always be Fire Safe ~ Chief Williams

# from the Mayor

Noise Ordinance: In the survey you all participated in last year, one of the primary concerns of the community members was having a "quiet and peaceful community". On 12/13/2021 your City Council amended the local Noise Ordinance Code 5-1-6.B. It is part of this issue in its entirety. It covers a lot of ground, and I will try to summarize it here: The definition of "sound or noise" is no different then you would expect – more volume of any noise that is uncomfortable to your neighbor. There are definitions of how to measure the sound and charts defining what is allowed. There is an entire section of prohibited noises, many dealing with what hours an activity is acceptable. There are multiple references to motor vehicle noises including the excessive level of sound from stereo systems. A few automobiles and pick-ups exceed this, but what surprises me most is the stereo sound from motorcycles. The throaty sounds from some of those cycles are pretty sweet, but often from my home, I can hear the cycle stereo systems from the top of the hill on the west side of the river long before I hear the exhaust sounds. Not sure how those riders expect to retain their ability to hear for any length of time into the future. People calling, shouting, and dogs barking are also discussed in this section. There is a section of exempted sounds and sounds allowed by permit issued from the City.

The new noise ordinance is a compilation of a number of ordinances from other communities in Iowa and your City Council spent several hours refining it. Many other communities in Iowa have adopted our new ordinance in whole. Please give it a read.

Lawns: a few lawns around town could use some work, but in general lawns have looked great this year. If this dry spell continues and you do mow – might be time to raise the deck a notch.

Random Thoughts for our Community: Lot of negativities out in our community right now. One individual described some of the situations as "like a bunch of Jr High kids".

Some thoughts to counter-act negativity that I often have to remind myself:

Don't assume a negative thought from or towards a situation you see or fee.

Respect & Forgive others.

Take the path of love, kindness, and truth.

Be humble in your ways.

How would you coach or instruct others in the same situation – then take your own advice!

If you can't say something good about someone – don't talk about them!

Take the high road.

Thanks – Tim Stearns, Mayor

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOOOUUU!!!

May you live a long life, Full of Gladness and Health, with a pocket full of gold as the least of your wealth, May the Dreams you hold dearest, be those which Come True, May the kindness you spread, keep returning to YOU!

August 24th Nathaniel Johnson

Kip Roelfsema

August 31st Derek Witt

September 6<sup>th</sup> Emily Schuneman

Heidi Young

September 8<sup>th</sup> Carol Williams September 10<sup>th</sup> Jarret Wininger

September 15<sup>th</sup>

Jodie (Stupp) Schmidt

5-1-6:

B. Noise:

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this chapter is to prevent excessive sound, which is a serious hazard to the public health and the quality of life in the City.

#### **Definitions**

- 1. "Noise" means unwanted sound, undesired sound, or sound without value. Noise consists of any sound which may produce psychological or physiological effect on humans.
- 2. "Sound" means an oscillation in pressure, particle displacement, particle velocity or other physical parameter, in a medium with internal forces that cause compression and rarefaction of that medium. The description of sound may include any characteristic of such sound including source/ origin, duration, intensity, and frequency.

#### Measurement of Noise and Sound

Sound shall be measured at the edge of the City street or alley right-of-way reasonably appearing to be the property producing the source of the sound. When a complaint is received, a measurement may also be taken at the location on the property where the complaining party was disturbed.

### **Noise Disturbance Prohibited**

It is unlawful for any person to do or cause any of the following described activities:

- 1. Use or operate a power lawn mower, power trimmer, or other gasoline or electric-powered device intended for yard, house, or landscape maintenance between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
  - 2. Use or operate a gasoline-powered lawn mower which does not have a muffler.
  - 3. Use or operate a gasoline-powered chain saw between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
  - 4. Use or operate, in residential districts, construction equipment between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.
  - 5. Operate in any City park between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. any sound equipment, including radios, stereo systems, tape players, or musical instruments or devices.
  - 6. Racing. The sound made by a motor vehicle or recreational vehicle on private property or public right-of-way during any track, racing, or time trial event, whether organized or unorganized, at all times.
  - 7. Screeching Tires. The sound made by the intentional screeching or squealing of the tires of a motor vehicle, at all times.
  - 8. Persons operating farm equipment are exempt from the provisions of this section.
- 9. No person shall cause or create, or permit the causing or creating of, a noise disturbance that is plainly audible by any person: 1) either across a real property line or at a distance of one hundred feet (100'); and 2) for more than thirty (30) continuous seconds.
- 10. No person shall play or operate, or permit the playing or operating of, a sound production device within a motorized vehicle that is plainly audible by any person more than 50' away.
- 11. No person shall operate a motor vehicle or a recreational vehicle whose exhaust system has been modified including but not limited to q by the installation of a muffler cut-out or bypass to create excessive or unusual noise at all times. Sound that is plainly audible by any person: 1) either across a real property line or at a distance of one hundred feet (100') or more from the vehicle; and 2) for more than thirty (30) continuous seconds.
- 12. No person shall cause the engine of any vehicle to cause emit any loud noise in excess of normal operation at any location within the corporate City limits.
- 13. The maximum allowable cumulative noise levels for motor vehicles shall be 88 dB measured: 1) either across a real property line or at a distance of *fifty feet (50') or one hundred feet (100')* or more from the vehicle; and 2) for no more than thirty (30) continuous seconds *above 88dB*.
- 14. No person shall make or cause, permit, or allow to be made, upon a public way, or in such close proximity to a public way as to be distinctly and loudly audible upon such public way, any noise of any kind by crying, calling, or shouting, or by means of any whistle, rattle, bell, hammer, drum, horn, other musical instrument, wind instrument, mechanical devices, or other similar device so as to destroy the peace of the neighborhood.
- 15. The keeping upon any property owned, occupied, or controlled by any person, of any animals otherwise permitted to be kept which, by any sound or cry, shall cause annoyance or discomfort to a reasonable person of normal sensibilities.
- 16. The requirements, prohibitions, and terms of this chapter shall not apply to emergency work or to any authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call or acting in time of emergency. The terms of this section shall not apply to those activities of a temporary duration, permitted by law including but not limited to parades, fireworks displays, outdoor warning systems, nonprofessional athletic contests, all construction work, and all other authorized activities occurring on government property.
- 17. The emission of sound for the purpose of alerting persons to the existence of an emergency shall be allowed. This is to include the public address systems.

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- 8. The emission of sound from activities where the state or federal agency has adopted a different standard or rules than that prescribed within this chapter shall be allowed.
  - 19. The emission of sound from on-site stationary trash compactors, municipal or municipally contracted compacter trucks loading or unloading of yard waste, recyclable material, trash, and garbage. shall be allowed between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
  - 20. These are exempt; The emission of sound during the operation, maintenance, repair, and cleaning of public streets and facilities. Work performed by or for public utilities. The emission of sound in the performance of emergency work, including snow removal and maintenance of trees.
    - 21. Emergency vehicles, such as firetrucks, police and ambulances are exempt.
    - 22. Essential services, such as work at electrical substations and safety devices are exempt.
  - 23. Construction and maintenance activities which are nonroutine operations, temporary in nature, and conducted infrequently shall be exempt.
  - 24. Parades, processions, or other public events are exempt between 7:00 am and 9:00 pm. Car or truck horns or similar devices when used to denote danger or a warning or possible danger are exempt.
  - 25. Special permission may be granted by the City Council, to exceed the noise and/or time limits outlined in this chapter for specific activities, events, celebrations, and public gatherings. Any person who desires to use a sound-producing device which would create a noise level higher than that permitted by this ordinance must first apply for a permit from the City Council. The City Council may issue such a permit if it is satisfied that the use for which the permit is desired will not endanger the health, safety, and comfort of the general public of the City.

In addition, the provisions of this section will be enforced only upon receipt of a complaint made or filed with City officials. Certification by an official charged with enforcement of provisions of this section that a noise disturbance complaint was made shall be sufficient to establish the fact of the complaint.

### Sound Levels by Land Use

With the exception of sound levels elsewhere specifically authorized or allowed in this chapter, the following are maximum permissible sound levels allowed at or within the property boundary by land use:

Category of Receiving Land Use	Time of Day	Maximum Sound Level
Residential	7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	65dB
	9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.	55dB
Commercial &	7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	85dB
Industrial		
	9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.	70dB
Park	7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	75dB
	9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.	55dB

If the volume of sound exceeds the maximum permissible sound level exceeding a 15-minute meter reading duration, the sound is prohibited and declared unlawful in violation of this chapter.

It is recognized that it is not technically or economically feasible for certain business operations and equipment to comply with the standards set forth in this ordinance as adopted. The City Council shall therefore issue a variance permit for business operations and equipment in existence on such date which produce excessive noise if it is found that it is not technically or economically feasible to alter such operation to reduce noise to within the prescribed standards set forth in this ordinance. Application for such variances must be made to the City Clerk by the affected party in a letter setting forth the reasons that such a variance should be granted. After review of all the circumstances, and review of the degree of the nuisance, The Mayor, with City Council approval, shall reply in writing, giving the variance, denying the variance, or setting forth conditions and limitations under which the variance will be granted. Variance permits granted under this section shall be valid for a period of 2 years from the date granted and may be renewed for a like period of time upon application and review.

### Pastor Lynn Arends, Steamboat Rock Presbyterian Church and East Friesland Presbyterian Church

Quick! Name a top 40 pop group that's mentioned in the Bible.

Give up? Here are a few clues. They are one of the most successful commercial acts in history of popular music, topping the charts all over the world from 1974 to 1982. The groups' name is an amalgam of the members' first letters of their first names. The group is one of 4 groups from Sweden to ever hit number one on the U.S. Billboard Hot 100.

With all that, is it any wonder ABBA is in the Bible?



OK, while we do find the word "abba" in the Bible, it refers to something completely different than the popular Swedish quartet. Abba in the Bible is a designation given by Jesus to God. It appears three times, all in the New Testament, in <u>Mark 14:36</u>, <u>Romans 8:15-16</u> and <u>Galatians 4:6</u>. Scholars can find no reference to God as "Abba" before the appearance of Christ. It is an Aramaic term meaning, "father". Abba actually is a more intimate word than "father", perhaps more like a small child calling their father, "daddy".

If you look up all three of the references I've listed earlier, you'll find that in each, the word "Abba" is followed with the word "Father". If you're like me, you're asking, "Why is that, if they mean the same?" According to the website, learnthebible.org, it's because "the New Testament writers are careful to avoid too great a familiarity in addressing God. Instead of translating Abba, they transliterate it, so that it takes on special significance in reference to God. Then, Abba is used in conjunction with the word Father – "Abba, Father." Father is the translation of Abba, but by putting the two together, the address to God is both personalized and kept in the proper tone of respect. The double title has both intimacy and dignity."

Through Christ, we are adopted as sons and daughters of God when we accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior. We would do well, then, when we address God as our Father to also include "Abba", expressing not only our respect, but our love. A deeper love than most. A love like for, perhaps, a Father.

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### **AUTO PAY YOUR UTILITY BILLS (NO Fees!)**

Fill out this form and email or drop it off at City Hall please

## **Direct Deposit Authorization Agreement AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS (ACH DEBITS)**

I (we) hereby authorize City of Steamboat Rock, hereinafter called COMPANY, to initiate debit entries to my (our) \*Checking Account \*Savings Account (select one) indicated below at the depository financial institution names below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, and to debit the same to such account. I (we) acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my (our) account must comply with the provisions of U.S. law.

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We now need two people to serve on our library board. Per the Library ordinance with the city one position requires you live outside of Steamboat Rock proper, and the other position required you to live within the city of Steamboat Rock. If you would like to serve your local community in this manner, please contact Joan Schuller at <a href="mailto:schuller.joan@gmail.com">schuller.joan@gmail.com</a> or call the library at 641-868-2300 to leave your name and contact information. We meet once a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday usually for an hour max. you will have a bit of training to do for the state library, but it isn't strenuous or very long.

Still waiting on the front door that the Friends of the Library have ordered and there is no update on when it will be delivered. I personally hope it is not in the middle of the Pacific Ocean on a cargo ship. I believe we are all over the supply chain situation, Covid and the heat. But this too will change. Joan and I installed the pergola cover (thankfully we were not being observed to the best of my knowledge as we went back and forth trying to figure that out) and I think it looks great. Will be a great addition on our back patio.

I am working on adult programming for this fall and, so far, have two programs. One will be a storyteller on the subject of the Orphan Train and the second is a paper crafting program in October.

511 W. Market St; Steamboat Rock Phone/Fax: 641-868-2300

www.youseemore.com/nile/steamboatrock or on Facebook @SteamboatRockLibrary

# Steamboat Rock Historical Society

**President:** Jim Kramer **Vice President:** Dennis Holmes **Secretary:** Janet Folkerts **Treasurer:** Kitty Hemmen

At Large: Keith Griffen Email: jimkkramer@heartofiowa.net

#### **OUR Mission:**

"To preserve and promote the history of Steamboat Rock and the surrounding area"

### **Museum Dates & Hours for the Summer of 2022**

The museum is now open on the first Saturday morning of each month during the hours of 9:00-11:00am. Join us on **August 6<sup>th</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup>** to see some of the new artifacts and displays. If you are in town at some other time, I would be happy to meet you at the museum. Send me an email at the address above or give me a call at 641-858-6085 to make arrangements.

I recently found the following article, but I don't have the date it was written, nor do I know who wrote it. However, I think it will bring back some memories for you as you remember your time in Steamboat Rock.

### **Saturday Night in Steamboat Rock**

From the advent of the automobile to the advent of professional wrestling, Saturday nights found Market Street full of people from town to town. Farm folks traditionally did their trading on Saturday nights and townspeople came downtown as well.

Many businesses had benches in front of their stores and many women especially sat and visited. The step on the old Cramer Implement building was a gathering place for the younger folks and some of the men looked forward to the smoke-filled gathering at Luiken Chevrolet where the general topic of conversation was politics. I remember John Cramer, a fine gentleman, trying to coax his wife Lena to go home but she generally resisted.

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### Hours are as Follows

Tuesday 1:00-6:00 PM

*Wednesday* 2:00-5:00 PM

Thursday-Friday 12:00-4:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

### New to the Library

### **Adult Fiction**

The Edge of Summer
by Viola Shipman

Fellowship Point
by Alice Elliott Dark

The Big Dark Sky by Dean Koontz

If She Only Knew by Lisa Jackson

The Lost and Found Girl
by Maisey Yates

In the Middle of Hickory Lane
By Heather Webber

Carolina Moonset by Matt Goldman

A Simple Choice by David Pepper

The Book Woman's Daughter
by Kim Michele Richardson

#### Mystery

Things We Do in the Dark
by Jennifer Hillier
Shattered by James Patterson
The Last to Vanish by Megan Miranda
Holy Chow by David Rosenfelt

### Romance

The best is yet to come by Debbie MaComber

#### **Non-Fiction**

Women Rowing North by Mary Pipher The Ultimate Flower Gardner's Guide by Jenny Rose Carey

### **Junior Fiction**

Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol Surf's Up, Creepy Stuff by Andres Miedoso They Call Me Guero by David Bowles A Good Kind of Trouble

by Lisa Moore Ramee

Magic Tree House Shado of the Shark
by Mary Pope Osborn

I survived the Great Molasses Flood
by Lauren Tarshis

### Cont'd from previous page Steamboat Rock Historical Society

The grocery stores were busy places. Eiler's Store was the biggest in the area and Dolly Folkerts has a beauty shop on the west side. In addition to T.J. and Hattie Eilers, you might have found their daughter Harriet and Verna Luiken working there. It would be difficult to forget the coffee grinder which was located along the main isle of the building. Ruppelt's Meat Market was the smallest store. Tom Ruppelt had groceries in addition to a nice selection of meat at reasonable prices. The maple meat cutting table would be considered unsafe in today's world. Vera Pruisner worked there for many years. Johnson's was located across the street from Ruppelt's. it was generally considered that their merchandise was more expensive that the other stores. You could purchase shoes and dry goods at Johnson's. in the northwest corner of the store was a small bench advertising White Shoes. The cash register which featured a big crank on the side was located near the middle of the store. Ben Johnson could measure you for a tailor-made suit and Julia generally ran the till. The Johnson children helped in the family business. There was a freight elevator on the east side of the store and there was an enclosed cage which covered the heat register located in the center of the building.

Homes Sundries was also known as the Drug Store. Along with a full line of cosmetics, jewelry, patent medicines, veterinary supplies, paint and wallpaper, there was a Bastian & Blessing soda fountain. The fountain included a pop case and eight openings for ice cream. The first four always included vanilla, chocolate, and others rotated between white house (cherry) lemon custard, maple nut, etc. The other openings had brick ice cream, popsicles, and fudgesicles. Among the concoctions which were made included Cokes and root beers. Cherry, lemon, chocolate, maple, and pineapple syrups were available to make sodas and phosphates and to flavor Cokes and root beers. Toppings for sundaes included strawberry, pineapple, chocolate, and marshmallow. Malted milks sold for 25-30 cents. Bromo Seltzer was also dispensed from the fountain.

There was a pop case and a double sink with a spray rinse. The light in the pop case was activated by a button pushed with your knee. In the summer, the humidity was high enough that the fountain would sweat, and you sometimes received an electrical shock when looking for a bottle of pop. The back room was where the paint and wallpaper were kept. The wallpaper needed trimming and the paint needed shaking. Shaking paint could be messy especially during the Work War 2 when paint came in glass jars. Another feature of the back room was the personal items generally sold to men later in the evening.

Another familiar feature in the drug store was a big penny scale next to the rack which held magazines and comic books. There were those who thought comics were a bad influence. Two of the most avid free readers were John Henry Primus and Freddy Folkerts, both of whom became ministers of the gospel. Other than family members, others who worked there were Lloyd Boomgarden, Fred Folkerts, Alice Luiken, Myrtle Volk, Grace & Karla Frerichs, Barbara Heard, Helen Boomgarden, Mary Last, and others.

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### Additional Comments on the Above Article

- 1. There is much more to this article that will be included in future issues.
- 2. The maple meat cutting table mentioned in the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph is on display at our museum. This table was used by Ruppelt's Meat Market, and the Gast Groceries, and then finally by Burns Grocery who donated the table to us.
- 3. Holmes Drug Store I have many memories of going there including:
  - a. The big penny scale. Whenever anybody would ask my dad how much he weighed, he would always say, "200lbs stripped naked on the scales at Holmes Drug Store."
  - b. <u>Cherry Cokes</u> I so looked forward to going to the Drug Store and sitting down on one of the bar stools and sipping a cherry coke.

Holmes Drug Store was a great place to hang out with friends. Wish it was still there. However, the article told me something I did not know – the part about the personal items sold in the back room that were generally sold to men later in the evening. But then, I was only a kid at that time.

~ Jim Kramer, Steamboat Rock Historical Society

# *Mayor* Tim Stearns

"A Valley of Friendliness"



### **Council Members**

Adam Blackburn Kevin Pieters Cory Schurman Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in special session July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers and available via zoom. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Kevin Pieters, Cory Schurman, and Jon Schurman absent: Adam Blackburn. Also present were Renee Oltrogge.

Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order. Pieters moved, seconded by C. Schurman to approve the posted agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Blackburn.

Public comments: Mayor Stearns presented building permits for 602 W Main St. J. Schurman moved to approve the permit as presented, seconded by C. Schurman. Motion carried unanimously, Blackburn absent.

Mayor Stearns explained the process applied for appointing a new Councilperson. In the prospect list there were two residents. J. Schurman advised one of the prospects decided they were unable to serve on council. Mayor Stearns developed an informal scoring model to be used in the decision making process. C. Schurman moved to nominate Dave Mull as new council person, Pieters seconded the motion. Roll call - Pieters-aye, C. Schurman- aye, and J. Schurman- aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Blackburn.

Corrected year end financials were reviewed and discussed. Much discussion on how to increase the amount of money the city receives each year to work with. Mayor Stearns discussed the asbestos study and grant for same.

C. Schurman moved to adjourn the meeting, J. Schurman seconded the motion. Motion carried

unanimously. Absent: Blackburn. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 pm.

Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor

Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk

MAYOR Tim Stearns

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COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn Kevin Pieters Cory Schurman Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council was unable to meet in regular session August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers and available via zoom due to not having enough Councilperson for a quorum. This meeting will be postponed for Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

# looking Ahead...

Monday, August 29th, September 12th & 26th

Curbside Recycling @7:00am

Saturday, September 17<sup>11h</sup> Last Bike Night @Happenings outside LIVE Music w/Trio Aceto 5:00-9:00pm Food: Tenderloin Truck

Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting 6:30pm @city hall Monday, September 12th Historical Society Meeting @6:30pm Tuesday, August 20th Visionary Group Meeting

**Historical Museum OPEN** every Saturday 9-11am



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