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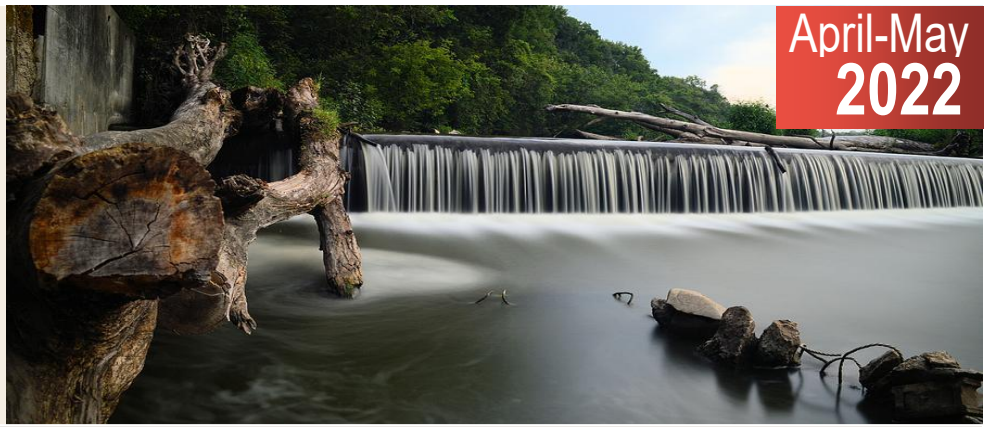
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For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring before all nations.

~ Isaiah 61:11



From the Mayor

Clean-up Days:

Ditch clean-up on Saturday April 30, 2022: Recently biked along S-56 south of Steamboat Rock and it is heavily littered again. Specifically, the section between the Rock Stop and the entrance to the Pine Lake Golf Course. In 2021 we picked up two full pick-up loads of trash and junk in that stretch after not being picked up for years. Should go much faster this year. Meet at the east parking lot of the Steamboat Rock Baptist Church at 9:00 am. the Hardin County Roads department is providing Safety vests and signage. Start as a group at the parking lot where we will divide up into two teams. One team will start from the parking lot and the other will start at the golf course entrance. End will be where we meet in the middle about at the east gravel road that leads to the Pine Lake Wildlife Club. This is an activity where the more the merrier applies!

City Wide clean-up Days: Saturdays June 11 and June 25, 2022. City will provide a large roll-off to put junk in that has accumulated on your property. Same location as in prior years at the City Stick dump just north of the Fire Station and members of the City Council will be there to assist in unloading. This is a great service the City has provided for many years to get rid of your extra junk. Get your friends and relatives to give you a hand with this activity if you are unable to do it yourself.

Appliances will also be accepted at a cost of \$15/appliance. As in the past, this is a pass through for the city, not a fee we keep. There will be a designated spot to place your clean recyclable iron and metal including aluminum, stainless steel, and all kinds of other scrap iron immediately south of the compost bins. My own scrap iron pile includes things like the aluminum parts of old pots, internal camper brake assemblies, worn out leaf springs, iron pipe, many times repurposed angle iron, and misc. other metal scraps. Please keep the scrap iron well off the driveway path so we do not create any flat tires. Prior to the official clean-up days, the stick dump will be open every Saturday for sticks, tree limbs, dead falls, and so forth prior to the official clean-up days which are junk only. You are welcome to bring metal scraps to the iron pile any of those Saturdays.

Hazardous Waste disposal: Saturday July 9th, 2022, between the Post office and the old School Gym, 9-11 AM. Sponsored by Hardin County Solid Waste and Metro Waste Authority. This is very specifically an opportunity for you to get rid of toxic substances, petroleum-based waste products, all kinds of chemical type products, used oil filters, and a plethora of other stuff that may be starting to leak all over your basement or garage. In the last year, twice, someone in town dumped something toxic into our sewer system which killed the good bacteria in our sewer plant. That is a really bad idea because it screws up the sewer plant so much that the DNR can fine the City for that happening if they think it will continue. That would be your hard-earned property tax money and sewer bill payments used to pay a fine for an event that should not have happened. So, the moral of this story is- bring that kind of stuff to the hazardous clean-up disposal day!

Thanks - Tim Stearns, Mayor

Miscellaneous News

THANK YOU – Special thanks to Bruce Baillie for his dedication to the Steamboat Rock Cemetery. Bruce recently completed 18 years of serving on the Cemetery Board of Directors.

~ Thank you, Bruce, – Ed Bear, Greg Heikens, Lora Kramer, Deb Meintz, Doug Bleeker, Arnie Luiken, and Roger Pickering, caretaker.



FROM Toni Nederhoff – “I would like to THANK the Steamboat Rock Library for the nice gifts for the “Blind Date” book contest very much.”

There are LOTS of opportunities to jump in and help make Steamboat Rock GREAT!!! Look below... committees, volunteer work, and lots more.

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The First Flower of Spring

I smiled when I saw the first flower of Spring the other day. A lone Blue Bonnet had popped its head through the ground and was looking around on a cool, April morning. I wasn't sure what had made it finally decide to end its long, Winter's sleep. Perhaps it had noticed that the ground around it was no longer frozen. Perhaps it had felt the warmth of the sunshine finally pushing the temperatures into the seventies. Perhaps it had heard the songs of the birds singing that Spring had arrived and it was time for the world to awaken again. Perhaps the roots of the trees had whispered to it that it was now safe to come out and that their own limbs were already budding.

Whatever the reason it was a joy to see the little guy soaking up the light and calling out to its fellow flowers to join in the celebration of life once again. I know that soon it will be joined by other Blue Bonnets, Buttercups, Tulips, Daffodils, and Dandelions. I know that soon the air will be full of Butterflies dancing above them all. I know that soon the meadows will be full of growing grass and the forested hills be awash in bright, green leaves. I know that soon the mountains of my home will once again be alive with the glory of God's creation.

We too are a part of that creation, but unlike the flowers in the field we have the ability to bloom even when the world around us is cold, dark, and harsh. We have the ability to share our beauty in the face of ugliness, our joy in the face of fear, and our love in the face of hate. We have the ability to make every day feel like the first day of Spring.

May you bloom well then today and always. May you shine your light. May you share your love. May you be truly alive in the glory of God's creation. And may you forever make your Heavenly Father smile.

By Joseph J. Mazzella

retrieved from <https://www.sunnyskyz.com/feel-good-story/170/The-First-Flower-of-Spring>



Steamboat Rock Fire Department



Please keep in mind that this can be a dryer portion of the year and some like to burn off the old dead grass. When burning, take note of the wind conditions, speed, and direction. It doesn't take much for a spark to travel and ignite something else.

If you do burn, call Hardin Sheriff NON-EMERGENCY number (641-939-8190) and give them the location of your burn before you start and when you are finished. This gives them valuable information on whether to dispatch your local FD.

To give you an update on things that have been happening around the station. Ryan S. and assistance from Damion H. have diligently worked on getting the air system up and functional. All our trucks that have air brakes are now equipped with a backup air system. What does this mean, it means that when we are called, we can have the air system be fully charged and not have to wait for the system to build up air to leave, if there happens to be a small leak in the truck system. This money (\$5,000 - \$6,000) has come from the multiple fundraisers that a portion of that was set aside for this purpose.

We have currently ordered two portable LED rechargeable lights (\$600/light). These lights will help light up the scene when the incident is further away and help light up the scene where the truck lights can't reach. This also eliminates the risk of cords and water mixing.

The Steamboat Rock Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association set the date for their breakfast. It will be held on Saturday, May 28th at the Boat Club now The Lodge (Iowa River Conversation Club) from 7 – 11 a.m. More information will be coming in the May newsletter.

As Always - Stay Fire Safe
Chief Williams

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

WHAT'S IN A (NICK) NAME?

Bucky. Bo. Toad. Willie.

Just a few of the printable nicknames of friends and classmates of mine back in high school. Did you ever have a nickname? A name that people knew you by and probably called you by more than your given name. I think most of us did. Especially within our circle of friends that we were closer than most with.

It seems like most nicknames were derivatives of our last names or, in other cases, something that referred to a funny incident that happened to the name. Or perhaps it referenced a certain physical feature that was easy to make fun of.

Whatever it referred to or wherever it came from, our nicknames were meant to be fun and not necessarily mean or insulting.

The Bible gives us many instances of people getting a new name. Abraham, Jacob, Sarah- all of these received their new names from God. But the two that come to mind immediately for me are the nicknames given to Peter, James, and John. Jesus gave Simon, son of John, a nickname when He gave him the keys to the kingdom. John 1:42 in the Contemporary English Version Bible CEV says, "And when Jesus saw him, he said, "Simon's son of John, you will be called Cephas." This name can be translated as "Peter."

A nickname of Cephas, which in its original Greek form can be translated to "rock". And what was Peter to be? The rock upon which Jesus would build His church. Matthew 16: 18 in the NIV has Jesus telling Peter, "And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church..." A fitting nickname indeed.

Jesus gave the apostles James and John their team nickname in Mark 3:17 in the English Standard Version Bible ESV "James the son of Zebedee and John the brother of James (to whom he gave the name Boanerges, that is, Sons of Thunder) ..."

Sons of Thunder. That's a fun nickname. It sounds like a pro wrestling tag team. Why would Jesus call James and John sons of thunder? Well, the Bible never really comes right out and tells us why, but we can assume that Jesus knew everything about the two when He called them to be apostles and thus, was fully aware of their "thunderous" personalities.

Jesus knows about you, too. And He's called you to follow Him. And to work for Him. Using whatever talent or gift you may have. Are you a rock? Something Jesus can use to build upon? Welcome, we'll call you Peter.

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Steamboat Rock Public Library

Julie Stone was great, and we had a wonderful group that came to listen to her. Not only did she do a reading from her newest book, but she talked about the process of writing, getting an editor and a publisher. Along with that were fun cookies decorated like the front cover of her book. We hope to have more Iowa writers here for programs in the future.

We met with the county supervisors and heard back from them about our monthly support. Although we didn't receive an increase, we also didn't lose any income from them. The budget will be tight, but we will still provide quality services to the community and surrounding area.

Books have been weeded and there are still some people can go through so if you are looking to add to your collection, please stop in.

We received the Hardin County Community Foundation grant in the amount of \$4,300. This will be used to replace the shelving in the non-fiction area of the library with bookcases that have deeper shelves. This will prevent some of our non-standard sized books from falling off the narrow shelves. This leaves only one section of shelves that need to be replaced in the future. A huge Thank You to this organization for this grant.

Remember we are a non-profit organization so any donation you give can be used as a tax write-off. Thanks to all your assistance in any way.

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

Steamboat Rock Historical Society

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Secretary: Janet Folkerts Treasurer: Kitty Hemmen
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OUR Mission

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

The Museum Will Soon Be OPEN Again

We plan on opening up again on May 28th, of Memorial Day weekend. However, if you are in town before then and would like to take a tour of our museum, I would be happy to set up a time to meet you there. Send me an email at the address above or give me a call at 641-858-6085 to make arrangements.

Web Page

Take some time to visit our web page at www.steamboat-rock-historical-society.com If you are not already a member, take time to open a membership. This will give you full access to the book, "Steamboat Rock: Anchored in History". This will also give you a search tool to look for anything in the book.

Family History

One of our goals for the SRHS is to have "family histories" on file at the museum for people who called Steamboat Rock their home. As a former resident of Steamboat Rock or a descendant of someone who lived here, would you consider writing up a short history of your family including the dates when your family lived here? We often get inquiries from people who are researching their family history and having these records on file would be beneficial to future generations of people researching their family.

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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

Run Rose by Dolly Parton & James Patterson
Citizen K-9 by David Rosenfelt
He's with the Band by Julie Stone
The House Next Door by James Patterson
The Pilot's Daughter by Audrey Cole
The Summer Getaway by Susan Mallery

Mystery

The Match by Harlan Coben
Nine Lives by Peter Swanson
The Darkest Place by Phillip Margolin
The Missing Piece by John Lescroart
What Happened to the Bennets?
by Lisa Scottoline

Historical Fiction

The Diamond Eye by Kate Quinn
Until Leaves Fall in Paris
by Sarah Sundin
Hidden Treasures by Michell Adams
Blood's Echo by Isabella Maldonado
Death Blow by Isabella Maldonado
Phoenix Burning
by Isabella Maldonado
The Book of Cold Cases
by Simone St. James
The Dust Bowl Orphans
by Suzette D. Harrison

Young Adult

Freewater
by Amina Luqman-Dawson

Blast from the Past

STATIC of October 5, 1944

Over the past 20 years, I have spent time looking up what my father, Kenneth Kramer, did during WW2. It has been very interesting as I have been able to find a lot of information. I even talked to one of his crew mates and he sent me pictures of the crew and other photos of my father while he was stationed in England, including record of their part in the invasion at Normandy.

In looking for something to put in this month's newsletter, I decided to just look through some of the old "Static" papers that the school printed for many years. I had a stack of them dated as early as 1936. In looking through these papers, I discovered a letter that my father wrote in response to a request from the Static staff. I am very thankful to have another bit of information about the time my father served in WW2.

**STATIC
OCTOBER 5, 1944
HONOR ROLL
Tech/Sgt. Kenneth C. Kramer 37654525
U.S. Army Air Forces**

Dear folks on the home front,

I am home for a twenty-five-day furlough after flying a thirty-two-mission tour in the European Theater of Operations as a top-turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator Bomber. It feels pretty good to back in the States again where there is a little light on the city streets. In England, the streets were pretty dark, but I understand they have lighted things up there a bit again.

I flew overseas in February and had a very enjoyable trip over. I spent a few days in South America and Africa before going to England.

The weather in England is usually quite damp with plenty of fog. It seemed to me that the sun shone very little and when it did shine, it was for a very short time. As a rule, the air is always damp and cold.

I visited London several times. It is really a large place with plenty to see and enjoy. I saw several robot planes which made you feel a little funny the first couple times, but you get used to them quite easy.

I flew raids to Berlin and Paris and other targets in Germany, France, and a few of the other smaller countries nearby. Seventeen of my thirty-two raids were to Germany.

I have been awarded the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

After my furlough, I report to Miami, Florida for a couple weeks then I will be assigned to an Air Base somewhere in the United States.

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I remember my father telling me that when he arrived in Miami, Florida after the war, he would only be there a few days until he received his assignment. However, after quite some time, he finally talked with those in charge to find out when he would get his assignment. It was at that time that they discovered that his file had fallen behind the filing cabinet. He was then assigned to Chanute Field in Champaign County, Illinois until such time he was released.

Jim Kramer, President of the Steamboat Rock Historical Society

What's Happening at

May 7, 2022 – Adult Prom Night

Celebrating our 5th Anniversary / Karaoke 8-Midnight

May 14, 2022

5th Annual Lindsay Stupp Memorial Ride

Leaving Happenings @ NOON

May 21, 2022

FIRST Bike Night

LIVE Music "One Track Mind" 5:00-9:00pm

Blessing of the Bikes 7:00pm



Steamboat Rock Visionary Group / Pride & Betterment Committee

Spring! Spring is finally here although slow to arrive at the warm weather we seek! Any day now! Please! Spring brings with it a renewed surge of activity for our committee members. Our goal continues to be to aid our city leaders and community members in making our community the best it can be. We welcome ideas. Contact any member and let him or her know what you are thinking.

Brisket Supper! Mark the date! On Wednesday, May 25th, the committee will hold its primary fundraising activity of the year. The menu will include brisket, beans, cole slaw and a dessert bar. Serving will be from 5:00pm-7:00pm at the park shelter house. Carry out or eat at the site. We greatly appreciate your support!

Basketball! The court is ready for playing and the lights will stay on until 11:00pm at night all the way into October.

Playground! The play area is overdue to have additional mulch added. As the playground-approved mulch is extremely expensive our committee hopes to have the necessary funds in order to complete the project soon.

T-Shirts! Our Steamboat Rock long-sleeved t-shirts have proven to be so popular we are going to restock our sizes soon. They are available at the library.

Christmas Tree Lighting! The committee has enjoyed lighting the downtown tree over the past few years. We are now faced with a tough decision. The cost of the commercial-grade lights has been difficult for our committee to fund. Now the price of the lights has taken a big jump. The lights have also not lasted as long as advertised, no to mention the difficulty in getting the lights up into the tree. We are weighing options and a decision on whether or not to continue the lighting tradition will be made sometime this summer. Any thoughts or ideas would be appreciated.

We wish everyone a great spring & summer!

Email: srvisionarygroup@gmail.com

Mail: PO Box 185 Steamboat Rock

Instagram: @srvisionarygroup

Steamboat Rock Visionary Group Members: Mike Finger, Mary Gast, Dave Hagberg, Bob Hutchcroft, Jen Merfeld, Toni Nederhoff, Mariah Schurman, and Sandy Trampe.

Cont'd from Page 3 Pastor Lynn Arends, Steamboat Rock Presbyterian Church and East Friesland Presbyterian Church

Are you quick to answer, sometimes maybe without thinking? Thundering your thoughts and opinions? Welcome, we'll call you sons and daughters of thunder.

Whatever you're called to do, know this. Jesus has a name for you. Especially for you on the days when He comes to bring His new heaven and His new earth. Revelation 2:17 in the NIV, "... I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it."

Wow. A new nickname from Jesus Himself. You must be very special to Him.
I wonder what my nickname and your nickname will be?



City of Steamboat Rock

"A Valley of Friendliness"

Mayor Tim Stearns

Council Members: Adam Blackburn Jackie Hagberg Kevin Pieters Cory Schurman Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session April 11th, 2022, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers and available via zoom due to COVID-19 restrictions. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Adam Blackburn, Jackie Hagberg, Cory Schurman, and Jon Schurman absent: Kevin Pieters. Also present were Melissa Johanson, Dave Hagberg, Heidi Young, Todd Fleming, and Renee Oltrogge.

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

Hagberg moved, seconded by C. Schurman to approve the minutes from March 14th, 2022. Motion carried unanimously, absent Pieters. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Blackburn to approve the minutes from March 23rd, 2022. Motion carried unanimously, absent Pieters. J. Schurman moved, seconded by Hagberg the motion to approve City bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters. Hours were presented for Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk and Kelly Haskin, Water/Sewer Supervisor. C. Schurman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve hours as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Public comments: Mayor Stearns presented building permit request for new deck and ramp for 202 E Market St. C. Schurman moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve the permit as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Dave Hagberg requested the city allow wood chips (not allowed in the City stick dump) to be piled on the east side of the fence adjacent to the north bin of the compost center. He would like to promote this as a source of wood chips for residents' use. J. Schurman moved, C. Schurman seconded the motion to approve the wood chip pile as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Melissa Johanson, Librarian presented the library report. Working to re-install the library sign. Grant just received for new bookcases. 14 people came to the author reading. Norm will be planting some new Maple trees on the property line, with the neighbor's approval at no cost with the ability to put some signage up for his tree nursery. Mayor Stearns advised we have 8-10 oak trees that need to be transplanted from in front of the solar panels, they might be able to use. POs requested #202203011 \$25.00 JC Powers for snow removal, #20220302 Baker & Taylor \$427.72 for books. Hagberg moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve the POs as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Scott Williams, Fire Chief was not present for the Fire Department report. Mayor Stearns relayed from the Chief's written report: advised no burn bans at this time. All members needing new gear have been fitted and ordered. Fireman's Breakfast on May 28th from 7 - 11 a.m. Pancakes, French toast, eggs, sausage, bacon, toast, and drinks. Newest members Harrison and Justin are continuing classes for certification for FF1. Practice burns on April 23.

Nothing to report from public works.

Mayor Stearns advised on distressed properties; 101 E Main- a petition is in process. 103 E Main-deed to transfer ownership signed and waiting for the transfer to be recorded. 208 3rd St- City attorney has sent "Consent to enter judgement" and "Request to release lien" to IRS. Plan to get a roll off with volunteers to clean up the junk, then burn the sticks. Sources of additional volunteers were discussed. 301 W Market St is sold and the new owner plans to rehab the property. 305 4th St has been sold and clean-up is in process. 308 6th & 601 W Sycamore are 50% thru the 90-day notice. No response so far.

New Superintendent of Janitorial Services at Community Center has no applicants and City Clerk is asking Council to consider increasing to offering wage. Blackburn suggested to make it an hourly job instead of salaried. C. Schurman moved to make the offering \$10/hour with a maximum of 24 hours per month, Blackburn seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Hardin County Conservation & Sewer Hook Up presented by Mayor Stearns requesting the council to approve an easement for the county campground to hook up somewhere to the City sewer system with the proper legal documents. Blackburn moved, C. Schurman seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Proposed River Road Sewer Installation was discussed by Mayor Stearns with the two estimates received so far, each with a variety of options. Long term, the gravity feed proposals, while higher in cost, would allow more flexibility as the community expands to the SW over the next 15-20 years.

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Mayor Stearns suggested we apply for grants covering 40% of the cost, pay for 20% out of the Sewer fund, and request financing for the other 40%, about \$200,000 on a 10-year loan. This could be doable to justify the return on investment. Currently seven potential customers on the west side of the river, plus hook up the county campground on that line. Long term there could potentially be an additional 6-12 homes construction to the SW. Sewer in that area would promote new homes which would increase the tax base and we could serve the residents that are already there better. Mayor Stearns suggested that gearing this towards tourism as a joint venture for the bike trail and County Conservation, along with growing our town might add to the competitive nature of a grant application.

Happenings Bike Night Dates to be exempted from the sound ordinance and street closures were presented by owner Heidi Young. Dates requested are the 3rd Saturday of each month, 5 pm – 9 pm May through September with street closures from noon – 10 pm. This is the fifth year they have done these types of activities here in Steamboat Rock. The August one coincides with Jeep Jam. C. Schurman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve the noise exemption as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters. Hagberg moved, J. Schurman seconded the motion to approve the street closures as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters. Young, who has been helping re-build the official city website, asked for additional local input for suggestions of what to include on the city website.

Mayor Stearns advised a bid for 12 LED gym lights has not yet been received. To fix the current lights costs about \$250 per fixture which is not cost effective when the fixtures could be changed to LED for about the same amount of money, then apply for the Alliant rebate of an estimated \$130 per fixture and reduce electric usage by 80%. The project is estimated at a net cost of about \$2,000. No motion until further, more complete information is received. The idea of some donations towards the fixtures was discussed and getting the Visionary group involved to embrace that was agreed.

Mayor Stearns discussed completing the City 5 Year Strategic Plan with the help of Region IV. Region IV is very experienced with developing these plans in a way to help with securing grants. They are requesting the city to have “some skin in the game” with a suggested donation of \$500. Blackburn, C. Schurman, Hagberg, and Mayor Stearns advised they would like the completed plan to be flexible, more umbrella like so the city has the ability to maneuver within the plan. Plan should touch on everything and involve The Visionary Group. Oltrogge advised the items in the city survey with over 40% agreement includes Tourism, Friendly Valley Times, and the downtown. Hagberg moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve pursuing the plan and \$500 towards it as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Mayor Stearns presented Resolution 22-04 Max Levy with no changes. C. Schurman moved, Hagberg seconded the motion to approve. Roll call - Blackburn- aye, Hagberg- aye, and C. Schurman- aye, J. Schurman - aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters.

Date set for Public Budget Adoption Hearing Resolution 22-05 to be during the City Council Meeting, May 9th, 2022, at 6:30 pm at City Hall 306 W Market St. C. Schurman moved, Blackburn seconded the motion to approve the date as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters. Oltrogge advised due to this error the FY2023 budgeted property tax revenues will be reduced by \$10,512.

Mayor's comments: Common sense is the knack of seeing things as they are and doing things as they should be done. -Josh Billings (1818-85)

C. Schurman moved to adjourn the meeting, J. Schurman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Pieters. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor

Renee Oltrogge, City Clerk

City of Steamboat Rock Claims To Be Approved 4/11/2022

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	Iowa Department of Revenue	WET Tax - 2022 1st quarter	458.48
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	Iowa Department of Revenue	State Tax withholding - 2022 1st quarter	48.00
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	United States Treasury	Payroll	1088.20
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	IPERS	Payroll	1067.37
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	Alliant Energy	Electric/gas	3,131.65
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	Heart of Iowa	\$172.42 City, \$34.75 FD, Water \$34.75, \$50.09 Library	397.21
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	Culligan	Library \$10.00, City \$8.80	18.80
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	Great Western Bank CC	\$177.99 Office, \$102.45 Maintenance	280.38
Check	04/11/2022	ACH	Grundy National Bank	Community Center Loan Payment	2115.00
Transfer	04/11/2022	Transfer	Library	City contribution & tax levy	300.00
Check	04/11/2022	2153	Williams Excavation	Water leak	2,669.00
Paycheck	04/11/2022	2154	Haskins, Kelly	Payroll	390.30
Paycheck	04/11/2022	2155	Johanson, Melissa M	Payroll	746.15
Paycheck	04/11/2022	2156	Oltrogge, Renee	Payroll	1418.98
Paycheck	04/11/2022	2157	VandeVoort, Darlene K	Payroll	384.04
Check	04/11/2022	2158	Veld, JJ	Contractual earnings	2,300.00
Check	04/11/2022	2159	Veld, JJ (mileage)	Mileage	110.10
Check	04/11/2022	2160	Baker & Taylor	Library PO #20211204	435.52
Check	04/11/2022	2161	Bythe Sanitation	D \$405, Res \$959 T \$598.95, Rec \$0	1,962.95
Check	04/11/2022	2162	Brown Hurst Insurance		23,020.00
Check	04/11/2022	2163	Dave's Crane & Wrecker Service	Snowplow	450.00
Check	04/11/2022	2164	Eldora Hardware	UPS charges	98.38
Check	04/11/2022	2165	Hardin County Sheriff	County Sheriff Contract	613.54
Check	04/11/2022	2166	IAS	FD	275.77
Check	04/11/2022	2167	JCJDV Investments LLC	Solar Panels	1,594.87
Check	04/11/2022	2168	Kevin Pieters Well Drilling Inc	Invoice #5967	93.50
Check	04/11/2022	2169	Johanson, Melissa	Supplies	16.68
Check	04/11/2022	2170	Midwest Wheel	Acct# 15159	483.12
Check	04/11/2022	2171	NAAPA	FD - Acct# 4315	243.8
Check	04/11/2022	2172	Rock Stop	FD 122.50, Snow 114.82	237.32
Check	04/11/2022	2173	Shield Pest Control, LLC	Pest control	35.00
Check	04/11/2022	2174	Steamboat Rock Public Library	Petty Cash	10.45
Check	04/11/2022	2175	Oltrogge, Renee	Cleaning Contract	100.00
Check	04/11/2022	2176	Veld, JJ	Cleaning Contract	100.00

TOTAL **\$ 46,365.14**

Alliant Energy Breakdown

2351	Ball Field
3924	Welcome Sign
1089.11	Street Light
10996	Lift Station
237.00	Fire Department
450.57	Water
273.69	Community Center
660.41	Sewage Treatment Plant
265.16	Library
3131.65	TOTAL

Heart of Iowa Breakdown

177.42	City
34.75	Fire Department
34.75	Water
50.29	Library
397.21	TOTAL

Solar Panels Breakdown

1534.60	Community Center
60.27	Fire Department
1594.87	TOTAL

TEAM UP TO CLEAN UP

Volunteers are needed to help
pick up trash! Ditch clean-up on
Saturday April 30!

Meet at the east parking lot of the Steamboat Rock Baptist Church at 9:00 am

Safety vests and signage are being provided by the Hardin County Roads department. Start as a group at the parking lot where we will divide up into two teams. One team will start from the parking lot and the other will start at the golf course entrance. End will be where we meet in the middle about at the east gravel road that leads to the Pine Lake Wildlife Club. This is an activity where the more the merrier applies!

City of Steamboat Rock Job Description

Position: Superintendent of Janitorial Services at Community Center

Salary: \$10 an hour/24 hours a month

Administrative Functions:

Communicate with City Clerk for all ordering of cleaning supplies, parts, furnace filters and any other pertinent materials for all areas for Community Center.

Communicate with City Clerk if any general maintenance and minor repairs on City buildings such as painting, replacing broken glass and such is required.

Maintain an inventory of all City property under your control.

General Maintenance:

Maintain City Hall and the bathroom in a clean and neat manner so as to present a business like environment especially prior to the 2nd Monday of the month for City Council Meetings. This includes performing janitorial duties of sanitizing, dusting, cleaning windows, sweeping/mopping/vacuuming of the floors and emptying the trash weekly or more often if required. Keep the entrances and hallways clean and free of excess materials.

Maintain Community Center, Gym and all of the bathrooms in a clean and neat manner so as to present a business like environment especially prior and after rental of the Gym. This includes performing janitorial duties of sanitizing, dusting, cleaning windows, sweeping/mopping/vacuuming of the floors and emptying the trash weekly or more often if required. Keep the entrances and hallways clean and free of excess materials.

Miscellaneous duties:

Maintain security by insuring that all areas of City property under your control are kept locked and secured at all times. All work should be performed outside of the hours of the building being rented or occupied. Check furnace filters quarterly.

Required Physical Activity:

Must be able to frequently lift, push, pull, climb, turn, reel, crouch, crawl, reach, twist, stand, walk, sit, hear, and have good vision. All physical demands such as hearing and smell may occasionally be used for safety reasons. Must have the ability to perform job responsibilities in all climactic conditions.

Required Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

Knowledge of the hazards and safety precautions associated with the work performed by the Superintendent of Janitorial Services at Community Center. Possess the ability to plan and carry out work independently in accordance with general instructions or schedules. Must be able to understand and follow oral and written instructions,

Other:

The City has the right to request employee to submit or be subject to drug testing. Either party can terminate this contract with or without cause with 14 days' notice.

PLEASE FILL OUT AN APPLICATION BY MAY 9TH, 2022.

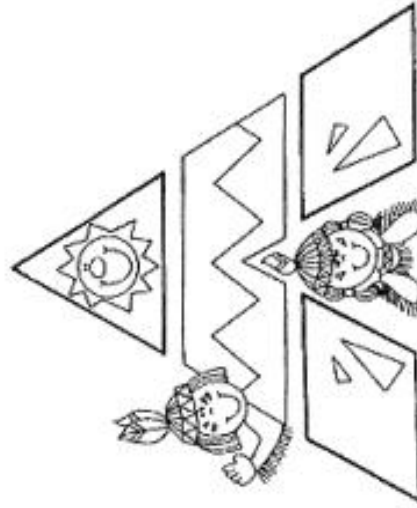
RETURN TO CITY HALL 306 W MARKET ST STEAMBOAT

ROCK, IA OR EMAIL srcityhall@heartofiowa.net

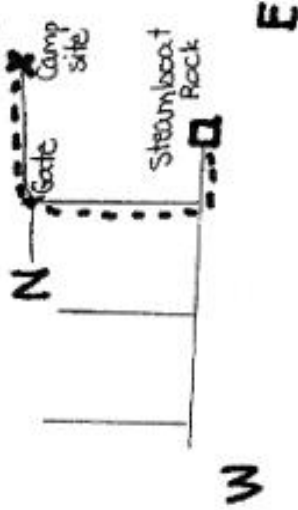
WHAT TO BRING: Heavy shoes or tennis shoes with good, thick soles, a backpack or sack with raincoat, mosquito repellent, sun screen, if you need it, and your lunch. Don't forget a drink. A.M. and P.M. snacks will be provided.

EVERY DAY WILL INCLUDE HIKING, CRAFTS, EDUCATIONAL TALKS, AND MUCH HISTORICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING. CLASSES ARE TAUGHT BY CERTIFIED TEACHERS. ALSO, MANY AIDES AND HELPERS ARE AVAILABLE.

COME FOR A FUN, RELAXING TIME.



MIKE SMITH FARM



To get to the camp site, go west out of Steamboat Rock to the first gravel road going North, V Avenue. Go North on V Avenue about ½ mile. Turn East into the pasture, following the road to the barn where we will meet you.

IOWA
RIVER

GREENBELT



June 13-17
and
June 20-24
2022

DENNISE SMITH
INSTRUCTOR

IOWA RIVER GREENBELT
DAY CAMP

BY

DENNISE SMITH

WHAT: Come join the fun for outdoor adventure and learning. Lots of hiking and outdoor crafts, games, and activities.

WHEN: June 13-17, 2022, and June 20-24, 2022 from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

The second week will be the Christian Education week

WHERE: "The Camp Site" on Dennise Smith's farm. See directions on back.

WHO: Anyone in grades K - 6 who likes the outdoors.

COST: \$150.00



THE CURRICULUM: We will focus on the enjoyment of nature this year, as we have in the past. Our crafts, hikes, mini-lessons, and games will center around what we see and find outdoors. We will also learn an appreciation for the people who came here before us, the Native Americans, and learn of their respect for the Earth.

MAIL REGISTRATIONS TO:

Dennise Smith
30281 185th Street
Steamboat Rock, Iowa
50672

OR CALL:

Phone:
HOME: 641-858-3190
CELL: 515-681-3611



PLEASE NOTICE: If you would like a DVD of your child's week at Day Camp please order on the registration slip. Price is \$10.00.

IOWA RIVER GREENBELT DAY CAMP
REGISTRATION

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

GRADE JUST COMPLETED _____

PARENTS' NAMES _____

WHICH CAMP WOULD YOU ATTEND?

June 13-17 _____

June 20-24 _____

SCHOOL SYSTEM ATTENDED _____

_____ I would like to order a DVD.

(Include \$10.00 with registration)

looking Ahead...

Saturday, April 30th Ditch Cleanup Day – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Monday, May 9th City Council Meeting 6:30pm
Saturday, May 28th Fire Dept Breakfast 7-11am @Baot Club
Saturday, June 4th Garden Party 4-7pm
Saturday, June 11th Spring Cleanup Day 9-11am
Saturday, June 25th Spring Cleanup Day 9-11am
Saturday, July 9th Hazardous Waste Day 9-11am –
between Post Office & old school gym



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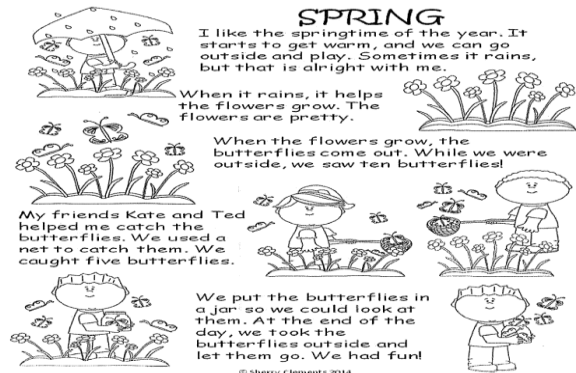
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