

CITY OF NEWMAN HIGHLIGHTS - MAY 2024

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SUMMER IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

Newman gets busy in the summer with the Newman Festival and other area community events through this season. We wanted to send out reminders of upcoming events for the community as well as some common to know items for residents of Newman.

NEWMAN FREEDOM FESTIVAL -- 06/16-18/2024

Please check out Newman's Freedom Festival's Facebook page for a complete schedule listing of each day's activities!

During the weekend's activities please keep an eye out for the increase in foot and vehicle traffic in the area.

COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL

Do you have an upcoming event that you need a large space or dedicated room for? Family reunions, party's, bridal or baby showers, general meeting space needs? Check out the Community Center for your next event. To inquire about the Gym or the Senior Room availability, contact the City Clerk at 217-837-2312. Rental fees are found on the City's website listed above.

IT'S MOWING SEASON!

According to our City's municipal code (25-2-2) lawns should be kept below 8 inches. We realize that due to spring weather it's can be tough to keep up with at times and we appreciate all those that are maintaining their properties. We would like to remind everyone that when mowing please make sure that you are not allowing the mower to discharge grass and/or other debris into the street. Grass clippings and other debris does

create a hazard for motorcycles and bicycles when they are on public roads and it clogs the city storm drains creating a flood road hazard. Please blow or sweep the grass clippings and/or debris back towards the city parkway away from the road. We appreciate your cooperation with this!



UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

The City Council meets on the second Monday of each month at 6:30pm in the City Council room of the Community Center. This is an open meeting and be can attended by the public. If you have an item that you would like to bring to the attention of the City Council, it is recommended that you contact the City Clerk to get put on the agenda for next meeting.

June 10, 2024

July 8, 2024

Aug. 12, 2024

Sept. 9, 2024

Oct. 14, 2024

Nov. 11, 2024

Dec. 9, 2024

CITY DUMPSITE AND BURNING WITHIN CITY LIMITS

During this time of the year many residents take this opportunity to do yard maintenance. The city has a dump for landscape waste that can be dumped without charge. The location for this is on E Lytle it is the first left after the Brushy Fork.

For those residents that desire to burn landscape waste please note that according to our municipal code it's unlawful to burn leaves, paper, rubbish or other substance on any public street, sidewalk or alleys. As well as allowing the open burning of agricultural wastes, household trash or garbage.

For guidelines regarding the municipal code on open burning of landscape waste and conditions, please go to https://cityofnewmanil.com/government/municipal_code.php, Chapter 27, Article 9, line item 3, A-G.

REMINDER ABOUT PETS

We know the value of a family pet for companionship and enjoyment. But at times the City finds itself required to enforce municipal codes for the safety and wellbeing of all Newman residents and other animals. For full information regarding animals within the city limits we strongly recommend that you check out the Municipal code (Chapter 3; Animals) found on the City's website. Some items that we want to point out are the following:

The owner or keeper of a dog shall keep the dog under restraint at all times and shall not permit such dog to be at large, off the premises of the property of the owner or keeper, unless the dog is under complete control as defined in Section 3-1-2. (65 ILCS 5/11-20-9)

If you have any questions or want to know more about the Municipal Code regarding animals, please refer to the City's website and read Chapter 3 regarding Animals.