

"BITS and PIECES"



FROM YOUR CITY HALL
325 Wisconsin Street
LeClaire, Iowa 52753-9525

September 2020

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MAYOR

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E-mail: rallen@leclaireiowa.gov Please feel free to call City Hall and leave a message for either myself or the particular council member that you wish to speak to. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Amy Blair [12/31/21] 289-4242 Ext. 1151

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WANT \$10.00?

Sign up for automatic withdraw of your utility bill and/or e-billing all on the same form. If you sign up for both you will receive \$10.00. The form can be found on the City Hall website (leclaireiowa.gov) or can be picked up at City Hall. To find it on the website click on City Hall, then Document Center, then the City Hall folder and then Customer Authorization for Payment Form. If only participating in the e-bill program fill out the bottom section of the form and return by mail, to City Hall or by email (bills@leclaireiowa.gov). If participating in the automatic withdraw, fill out the form and return it by mail, to City Hall or by email (bills@leclaireiowa.gov) along with a voided check or voided savings deposit slip. We look forward to your participation. If you have any questions please email Jo at jphares@leclaireiowa.gov or call her at 289-4242 Ext. 1101.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING PICKUP SCHEDULE

September 2020

Recycling and Garbage days for September (in yellow) are Sept. 10th & 11th and Sept. 23rd & 24th. Garbage only days in September (in blue) are Sept. 2nd & 3rd and Sept. 16th & 17th and Sept. 30th. Note: September 7th is a holiday and pick-up will be delayed by one day.

SEPTEMBER						
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Please put your totes at least three feet apart to allow the Republic drivers to maneuver their truck's mechanical arm to raise and lower your garbage totes. Please do not overfill the totes. And please have your totes out by 7AM on your pickup day, if your toter(s) are not out by 7AM on your pickup day, and your garbage/recycling gets missed, the Republic trucks will not return to pick up your garbage and/or recycling.

**STORM WATER MANAGEMENT
INFORMATION & CONTACT HELP LINE!!
(563)-289-4242 (Ext. 1502)
"BE A PART OF THE SOLUTION ...
BY PREVENTING WATER POLLUTION!"**



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT "EMERGENCY CONTACT"

We want to remind everyone that the city's PWD can be reached 24/7/365 by dialing 289-4242 and pressing 3 & 1500. This will put you directly into the PWD emergency contact voice mail box where you can leave a message which will be automatically relayed to City personnel.

CITY-WIDE CLEAN UP DAY – FREE DISPOSAL!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2020

On Saturday, October 10, 2020 between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm, any resident** may bring large, bulky waste items, appliances, and tires, [regular garbage, hazardous materials, construction debris, commercial business items, "e-waste" or yard wastes will not be accepted] to the Waste Water Treatment Plant at 1800 Iowa Drive during the hours mentioned above. City public works employees will be present to verify residency and to assist with your disposal efforts. **Future disposal Dates are: in the SPRING** [Curb-side Cleanup] on the 2nd Saturday in April [April 10, 2021]. For more information or if you have any questions or special needs, please feel free to call City Hall at 289-4242.

LECLAIRE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Mondays in September

Grab and Go STEM Activity Kits

Each week will be a different activity. Best for ages 6 and up. Available while supplies last.

We're on YouTube. Search LeClaire Community Library

Join us on our YouTube channel for virtual storytimes including singing, stories, flannelboard, rhymes and more! Don't forget to like and subscribe.

New Service: Library Deliveries to the Homebound

Homebound service will be provided to residents of LeClaire who are not able to come to the library. "Homebound" is defined as being generally confined to the residence either temporarily, due to illness or accident, or permanently, due to age, disability, or other mobility problems. Contact the library at 563-289-6007 for more information. Starts September 1st.

LECLAIRE CIVIC CLUB NEWS

The Civic Club has canceled all Club events and meetings due to COVID-19 until further notice. Events will be rescheduled in accordance with COVID-19 guidelines. We want everyone and our members to remain safe. The Civic center is available for rent with some restrictions. Rental cost is \$75 for 6 hours or less and \$125 for whole day. Call or email Debbie at [563-349-4403](tel:563-349-4403), smith5grand@gmail.com. Please check our website and Facebook page for up-to-date schedules (www.leclairecivicclub.org or <https://www.facebook.com/Theleclairecivicclub>).

CHRISTMAS IN LECLAIRE

Due to the Corona virus, the Christmas in LeClaire Committee has decided to cancel our event for 2020. After weighing the pros and cons, we concluded that there is no safe way to have the event with all the usual activities that people have come to expect over the years. We plan to be back in 2021 with the 37th Annual Christmas in LeClaire on December 3, 4 and 5. In the meantime, our local shops and restaurants are open and ready to serve you. We hope that you will continue to support them during this difficult time. We look forward to seeing you in December 2021.

TOURISM NEWS

Please continue to get out and enjoy the businesses in LeClaire that are open to serve you, and follow our Facebook page "LeClaire, Iowa" for updates. **Live Music** at Faithful Pilot from 6:30-9pm on Wednesdays, at Steventon's from 6-9pm on Fridays, and at Green Tree Brewery from 8-11pm on Saturdays. **Fri., Sept. 4, 8-11pm: First Friday** – Live Music at Faithful Pilot and Green Tree Brewery. **Sat., Sept. 19, 8-11pm: Cars & Coffee** on the Levee. **Sat., Sept. 19: Riverboat Twilight Sightseeing Cruises**, 11am and 1:30pm, www.riverboattwilight.com for advance tickets. **Sat., Sept. 19, 5pm: Chamber / Riverboat Twilight Dinner Cruise**, www.riverboattwilight.com for advance tickets. Thank you for your continued support! Contact the Office of Tourism at info@visitleclaire.com or check out the website at www.visitleclaire.com and click on "Community Events" for more information.

FIRES WITHIN LECLAIRE CITY LIMITS

Storm clean-up is underway, everyone is reminded that it is: **ILLEGAL TO BURN ANYTHING ANYWHERE IN THE CITY OTHER THAN NATURAL MATERIALS.** Additionally, the City has changed the law regarding any burning that may be permitted. **You may not use any type of accelerant to start any fire and any permitted fire must be monitored and supervised by an adult at all times until it is completely extinguished.** The Police and Fire Departments will be closely monitoring these conditions and the ordinance will be strictly enforced. Every year we have several emergency responses to fires, (many of which are illegal), that have gotten out of hand and burned something that was not intended to be burned or burned out of control on to someone else's property. Please pay close attention to this situation so that you avoid a ticket and fine at the least and a disaster at the worst!! If you have any questions, please call the Police Department, Fire Department, or City Hall for assistance.

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF LECLAIRE PROPERTY OWNERS

Chapter 52. Weed Control and Abatement. All owners and persons in possession or control of any lands within the city shall:

- (1) Prevent the growth of noxious weeds or vegetation as defined by the Code of Iowa, from reaching maturity or blooming by cutting or destroying same.
- (2) Cut or destroy all weeds, vines, brush or other similar vegetation when said growth exceeds ten (10) inches in height on any developed parcel within the City or within one hundred (100) feet of any developed parcel. In other areas of the city, any weeds, vegetation, vines, brush or other growth shall be cut or destroyed when said growth exceeds two (2) feet. Natural areas, including but not limited to waterways or farmland, may exceed these established height limitations.
- (3) Prevent any growth of weeds, vines, brush or other similar vegetation which constitutes a health, safety or fire hazard regardless of height.

Time for Cutting Weeds and Assessment of Costs. The above mentioned ordinance is in effect from April 1 to November 1 of each year. If a property owner or person in possession of lands in the city fails to destroy the weeds, vines, brush, or other similar vegetation as set out in this chapter, the City shall cause to have the work done and the total cost and expenses of destroying the weeds or growth shall be paid and assessed against the land as provided by law. Hourly rates are as follows:

City: \$100 per man-hour (rounded up to the next ½ hour) with a minimum charge of not less than \$100 for any and all man-hours or fractional portions thereof (as noted above) expended by the City abating any weed conditions in the event that a property owner fails to comply with any required notice received in this matter. Additionally, an administrative charge as shown below shall be added to the bill for any subsequent violations: 1st violation within two (2) years after initial notice - \$100; 2nd violation within two (2) years after initial notice - \$200; 3rd violation within two (2) years after initial notice - \$300; 4th and subsequent violations within two (2) years after initial notice - \$400 per violation.
Private Contractor: Cost +25%

2021 PET TAGS

Pet licenses for the year 2021 will go on sale October 1, 2020. The cost is \$1 if purchased before December 31, 2020, and \$2 if purchased after. Please bring in the rabies vaccination certificate for your pet to City Hall and we will issue you a numbered tag for your pet to wear.

CITY HALL INFORMATION

City Hall will be closed on Monday September 7th in observance of Labor Day. Bits & Pieces articles due by Wednesday, September 16, 2020. They can be sent via email to Bits@leclaireiowa.gov, or by fax to (563) 289-6010, by U.S. mail, or hand delivered.



LECLAIRE EMERGENCY
POLICE 911/FIRE 911
AMBULANCE 911
POLICE NON-EMERGENCY REQUEST FOR SERVICE 388-3904
POLICE NON-EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE 289-4242