

New Strawn Notes

January/February 2019

Register your pets in January

Animal licenses for 2019 need to be purchased at New Strawn City Hall by Jan. 31. Bring proof of rabies vaccination; you do NOT need to wait until it is time to have your pets vaccinated to register them. Simply bring in proof of the most recent rabies vaccination that shows your pet is up-to-date. Some customers may be under the impression they have to wait until after the vaccination date to come in; however, that just results in an increased fee for the registration. You can drop off an updated vaccine record at City Hall later in the year. Cost of registering your pet is: \$2.00 for animals that are spayed or neutered; \$5.00 for unaltered animals. Licenses are valid for the 2019 calendar year. If

you forget to do it in January, don't panic. You can still get your pet registered in February or March, but the cost of the license doubles for each month you are late...\$4 and \$10 in February, \$8 and \$20 in March.

REMINDER

Any owner or harbinger of an animal that is found to be without a current license may be fined up to \$500, plus any cost incurred by the city related to enforcing the animal code. Tagging your pet is really more for your 'peace of mind' than anything. Even dogs and cats that live almost entirely in the house occasionally 'escape' to the great outdoors and a tag makes it much easier to reunite an owner with an animal.

Trout stocked in city lake

This year, 682 trout were stocked on Jan. 14 averaging more than three quarters of a pound each. New Strawn's trout come from Southwest Missouri.

In addition to a current Kansas fishing license, a city fishing permit is required. The daily creel limit is two. There is a 'No Catch and Release' provision in effect as once they have been hooked, they will die.

City fishing permits are sold with a trout stamp through May 1 at City Hall as well as at Casey's, and Coffey County Honda. We truly appreciate these businesses helping us sell the

permits!

Cost is as follows: Residents of USD 244 Burlington and New Strawn area – Adult \$10, Youth \$4. Residents living outside of USD 244 – Adult \$15, Youth \$6. Anyone at least 16 years old must also possess a Kansas state fishing license.

The Rec Commission contributes \$1,500 annually to New Strawn for the purchase of the trout, and we truly appreciate their generosity!

Please, do NOT attempt to venture out onto the icy lake to fish. Shoreline fishing is permissible, but ice fishing is not.

Snow and ice removal on city streets

Please, DO NOT park vehicles in the street during inclement weather, especially along the emergency routes which are: Neosho Street to North 4th Street (ALL of 4th Street is an emergency route), Cherokee Street to Main Street and ALL of Main Street, including Arrowhead Drive. Vehicles parked in the street make it difficult to effectively treat the streets for icy conditions as well

as impede snow removal.

Snow removal will be limited if accumulation is less than two (2) inches, designated emergency routes and school bus routes will be addressed with either snow removal or salt and/or sand treatment, possibly both. Other residential streets will be addressed after the emergency routes and school bus routes are finished.

Easter Egg Hunt

The New Strawn Community Improvement Organization (NSCIO) will be hosting the annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 20 at the New Strawn Community Building. The time for the event is tentatively set for 10 a.m. This event is for children up to age 11. The Easter Bunny may 'hop in' for photo ops! If you would like to donate candy for this event, you may drop it off at City Hall by April 1. Contact is Brenda Klubek at (620) 203-0115 for more information. Filling hundreds of eggs with candy and prizes is time-consuming and NSCIO always welcomes more volunteers!

NSCIO would also like to sincerely thank all those who helped with the Halloween Party and hayrack rides in 2018 and past years. They will not be hosting this event for 2019. Anyone interested is encouraged to get a group of volunteers together.

Strawnfest

Strawnfest 2019 plans are underway. It will be held on June 22. A committee is being formed to plan the event this year. Please contact City Hall at 364-8283 if you would like to be on the committee.

Lawn of the Month

New Strawn residents know how to spread Christmas cheer! It was difficult for the Council to choose just one recipient. The 2018 'Lawn of the Month' was awarded to the Stukeby residence at 1020 North Arrowhead Drive! There were many residents throughout New Strawn who had outstanding displays. The Council thanks everyone who made the effort to set up beautiful lights and fun displays for young and old alike to enjoy.