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Rubble Site Winter Hours

Rubble Site will be closed Saturday November 26th. In subsequent Winter months the rubble site will be open the first Saturday of the month from 9am to 5pm.

Recycling Center

Located east of the water treatment plant, corner of Main & Jackson Streets. Open every Monday & Thursday, 5pm to 7pm.

Holiday Closings

City Offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on November 24th & 25th. Offices will be closed for Christmas effective Friday, December 23rd at 11:30am and reopen Tuesday, December 27th. Offices will be closed Monday, January 2nd in observance of New Year's Day. The Police Department is available for issues and emergencies at 605-677-8966.

Electrical Rate Increases

The City had to raise its electrical rates 10% to offset increases from Basin Electric, Elk Point's primary supplier. The city rate increase is lower than our primary supplier's rate increase. The increase takes effect January 1, 2017. Basin Electric attributes the rate increase to:

- ◆ Lower than anticipated member sales.
- ◆ Decreased revenue from non-member sales (surplus sales).
- ◆ Added costs to operate generation facilities.
- ◆ Generation and transmission investments needed to reliably serve the membership.
- ◆ Decreased revenue support from non-electric or subsidiary businesses (Dakota Gasification Company).

Fire Pit Ordinance

Campfires and other fires are only used for recreational purposes, ceremonial occasions and for outdoor preparation of food within city limits. The fire must be contained within a structure, fire pit, or other apparatus designed to contain the fire to such area using only acceptable burning materials. Such materials include clean, dry seasoned firewood, commercially-available firewood substitutes, or other commercially-available fuels, e.g., charcoal, coke, natural gas, propane, and butane designed to be used for a recreation outdoor fire. Leaf or garbage burning is not allowed. Fires which do not adhere to this ordinance may be created and maintained only with prior approval from the city in advance. Thanks for your cooperation!

Snow Removal

The City wants to remind you that sidewalks are to be cleared of snow and ice within twenty-four (24) hours after any snowfall or freezing rain. If snow and ice is not removed within this period, the City may do so by other means and charge the cost of removal to the property owner. Please be courteous to others and promptly remove snow and ice.

The City has a snow removal alert (accumulation of 2 inches or more). Please remove vehicles off the streets until the snow removal equipment is no longer operating in that area, after which normal parking may be resumed until the next declared snow removal alert. Vehicles violating this ordinance will be towed at the owner's expense and cited.

Text or Email City Notification

What a great way to receive vital news when your need it right away! Sign up now at City Hall or online at the city web page (www.elkpoint.org). You will receive notifications regarding planned power outages, snow removal alerts and other important information.

Dog Tag License Renewals

January 2017 is the start date for all dog tag license renewals. Renewals have to be on an annual basis. Renewals can be done at City Hall or the City Police Department. Bring current animal shot records.

Christmas Holiday Garbage Pickup

After the Christmas Holiday, alot of garbage gets accumulated. The City will pickup excess garbage on Tuesday, December 27, 2016. It will be for this one time only:

Happy Holidays!

The City of Elk Point would like to wish all of you a Happy and Joyous Holiday Season!