



# City of Dysart Newsletter

## September 2024



### Hydrant Flushing

Scheduled for **September 30th – October 4, 2024**

Water may appear brown. Try to avoid washing light colors during this time.

### Open Burning Regulations

As we enter the fall leaf-raking season, we ask you to be considerate of your neighbors when burning—landscape and yard waste should be burned in a relatively short time frame and not left smoldering for extended periods of time. The portions of the Dysart City Code pertaining to burning yard waste and recreational fires are outlined below:

**Section 28-457. OPEN BURNING PROHIBITED.** No person shall allow, cause, or permit open burning of combustible materials.

**The following shall be permitted exceptions:**

**LANDSCAPE/YARD WASTE.** The disposal by open burning of landscape waste and yard waste originating on the premises; however, the burning of landscape waste produced in clearing, grubbing, and construction operations shall be limited to areas located at least one-fourth (1/4) mile from any inhabited building. Rubber tires shall not be used to ignite landscape waste. No burning shall occur on city streets.

**RECREATIONAL FIRES.** Open fires for cooking, heating, recreation, and ceremonies, provided they comply with the limits for emission of visible air contaminants established by the State Dept. of Natural Resources.

### Winter Parking Ordinance

**Section 26-195. All night parking prohibited on designated streets.** From November 15<sup>th</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>. No person, except physicians or other persons on emergency calls, shall park a vehicle on any street or alley between the hours of 2AM and 5AM of any day in the given time period.

### Sidewalk Snow Removal

**Section 24-38. Cleaning Snow, Ice, & Accumulations.** It shall be the duty of the abutting property owner to keep his sidewalk clean by promptly removing, or causing to be removed all snow, ice, or other debris. If the owner fails to clean or remove such materials within 24 hours after the end of the snow fall, ice storm, etc., the officer authorized by the Council may remove, or cause to be removed, all debris from the sidewalks without notice to the property owner, and he shall return to the Council an itemized and verified statement of the removal costs and legal description of the property. The costs shall be assessed to the property owner as a property tax, and the Clerk shall verify costs to the County Treasurer for collection as provided in Section 364.12 of the Code of Iowa.



### Dysart Police Department

If you have a non-emergency and need to contact the Dysart Police, please call 476-4010. This will route you through the Tama County Dispatch office and allow you to leave a message for them.

## Fire Prevention Week

October 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>  
“Smoke alarms:  
Make them work for  
you!”



### **DATES TO REMEMBER** **RECYCLE DAYS**

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>  
Nov 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>  
Dec 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>

### **YARD WASTE PICKUP**

Oct 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – Final

### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

**7 PM @ CITY HALL**  
October 9<sup>th</sup>  
Nov 13<sup>th</sup>  
Dec 11<sup>th</sup>

**HALLOWEEN**  
**Trick or Treat**  
**Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**5-7 PM**



**NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Daylight Savings**  
**Ends**

Turn clocks back  
one hour!

# Serious Sanitation

## GARBAGE PICK-UP YARD WASTE COLLECTION CURBSIDE RECYCLING

**GARBAGE PICK-UP:** Garbage is picked up in the City of Dysart every Tuesday and Friday. Please have your garbage out by 7:00 a.m. If you have questions regarding your service, please call City Hall at 476-5690, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

**DUMPSTERS:** If you are interested in renting a dumpster on a temporary basis for home improvement projects, etc., please contact Barton Jensen Trucking/Serious Sanitation directly at 319- 240-4609 or 476-2703 for assistance and pricing.

**Shingles and other roofing materials, boards, tires, brick, stones, liquids, yard waste, light ballasts, metal, batteries, etc., are not allowed in dumpsters or regular garbage collection. If you are not sure what is allowed, please call the attendant.**

**YARD WASTE COLLECTION:** Yard waste is collected between the months of April and November each year. Watch your City of Dysart Newsletter that is included with your utility bill quarterly for the exact beginning and ending dates. Collection is twice per month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday. These Wednesdays alternate with curbside recycling. If there is a 5th Wednesday in the month, no collection will take place. Waste must be in containers that are easily emptied in to the collection truck or stacked into small manageable bundles. No bags of any kind are to be used. Cardboard boxes, garbage cans, Rubbermaid containers, etc., are suggested. Please have your waste out by 7:00 a.m.

**CURBSIDE RECYCLING: Recycling is picked up on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month.** Please have you recycling to the curb by 7:00 a.m. Serious Sanitation takes all recycling to the Cedar Valley Recycling Center in Waterloo. The same containers can be used for recycling as is suggested for yard waste. It is not necessary to separate items. The following materials ARE/ARE NOT acceptable:

**NO STYROFOAM OR GLASS! PLEASE TAKE GLASS ITEMS TO THE DUMPSTER RECYCLE BINS AT 708 ESTELLE. THESE DUMPSTERS ARE PROVIDED FOR YOUR USE BY THE TAMA COUNTY LANDFILL 641-484- 5061.**



**METAL:** All metal containers/cans accepted. Remove all food and rinse clean. Labels do not need to be removed. Clean aluminum foil, pie tins, beverage cans, and empty non-hazardous items are acceptable.

**\*\*NOT ACCEPTABLE:** Batteries, syringes, knives, blades, needles, nails, and oil filters.

**MIXED PAPER:** Must be clean and dry. All paper can be mixed. Paper should be covered or held back on rainy days. Paper CANNOT be picked up if wet. Newspapers, magazines, coupons, junk mail, newspaper inserts, envelopes, paper bags, labels from cans, paperback books, TV guides, colored paper, file folders, white ledgers, computer paper, etc., are acceptable.

**\*\*NOT ACCEPTABLE:** Waxed paper, carbons, photos, tissues, napkins, paper towels, plates, crayon drawings, smoking materials, pet food, fertilizer bags, disposable diapers, or hard cover books.

**PLASTIC CONTAINERS:** #1-#7 are accepted. Look for the recycling symbol and numbers on items. Rinse clean and air dry. Plastics not marked with a recycling number should be discarded. Plastic caps and lids should be removed and discarded. Labels can remain. Do not place other objects inside the bottle and jugs. Milk jugs, food, detergent, juice, beverage, and shampoo bottles or containers are acceptable.

**\*\*NOT ACCEPTABLE:** Unmarked plastics, film plastics, plastic bags, auto lubricant containers, anti-freeze containers, soiled, or unclean containers

**CARDBOARD:** Must be clean and flattened. Don't leave any contents in the boxes (no Styrofoam, plastic liners, wood, newspaper, or any packing materials). Chipboard, cardboard cereal and cracker boxes with waxed paper liner removed, tissue boxes, paper mache egg cartons, and pop and beer cases are acceptable.

**\*\*NOT ACCEPTABLE:** Waxy coated cardboard such as milk or juice cartons, butter containers, cardboard or chipboard which is contaminated by oil, food, or dirt