

CITY OF CALMAR

July 2007 Newsletter



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Calmar City Code online!**

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Elected City Officials:

**Mayor: George Willis
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**Mayor Pro-tem: John Patrick
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562-3270**

Council Members:

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562-3625**

**Tim Vondersitt
P. O. Box 193
562-3956**

**Karen Kleve
P.O. Box 94
562-3841**

**Dave Zweibahmer
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562-3141**



Calmar Mayor & City Council

One of the most challenging and exciting responsibilities an individual can assume is to become a mayor or council member. The business of city government and local leadership presents a unique opportunity to resolve issues, accomplish goals, and affect the future of your community.

The City of Calmar conducts business on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. with special meetings when necessary. Council members are assigned to various city committees which meet when necessary.

The City of Calmar has three four-year term vacancies for council members and the two-year term vacancy for mayor on the November 6 ballot. In order to hold office in the city, a candidate must be an eligible elector, meeting the same qualifications required to vote and be a resident of the city he or she plans to serve. Nomination papers may be picked up at either the City Clerk's office or the County Auditor's office. Nominees must obtain at least ten eligible signatures. Candidate filing begins Monday, August 27 and ends with papers due at the City Clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, September 25.

The Iowa League of Cities offers training for city officials. One example of a training session available for city officials is the Municipal Leadership Academy (MLA), presented in partnership by the Iowa League of Cities, Institute of Public Affairs at the

University of Iowa and Iowa State University Office of State and Local Government Programs. This four part series is designed to cover the basics of City government in Iowa and is the best way for new officials to learn about the legalities and expectations of their new position and to meet both new and experienced city officials. For scheduling ease, each 4-6 hour session is offered during the week or on Saturday at various locations throughout the state.

For more information about how to participate in the city's decision-making process, please contact Michele Elsbernd,, City Clerk at 562-3154.



**"IOWA ONE CALL"
Remember to Call Before You
Dig!
The toll free phone number is
1-800-292-8989.**



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

- City Hall.....562-3154**
- Street Department.....562-3349**
- Library.....562-3010**
- Fire Dept. Mtg. Room.....562-3575**
- Police Department.....562-3224**
- Sheriff Department...800-632-5976**
- Water/SewerDepartment.562-3150**
- Swimming Pool..... 562-3148**
- To report fire, accident, or
emergency.....911**



JUST A REMINDER

The owner or agent of the abutting property shall keep the trees on, or overhanging the street, trimmed so that all branches will be at least fifteen (15) feet above the surface of the street and eight (8) feet above the sidewalks.



Residents are also reminded that grass is NOT to be discharged into the street when mowing.

**THE CITY OF CALMAR
WISHES TO THANK
STREET SUPERINTENDENT
JUNIOR BOYER AND
POLICE CHIEF RONALD
WERNER FOR ALL THE
EXTRA TIME AND EFFORT
PUT INTO MAKING
CALMAR FARMERS DAY A
SUCCESS.**

They spent many hours setting up the traffic control for the parade and the closing of streets. Also the time put in to sweeping and cleaning streets and painting of lines and crosswalks.



Garbage Pickup

If you have a problem with your garbage service, DO NOT call City Hall. You need to call Malcom Enterprises direct at: Malcom Enterprise (800-892-6239) 563-379-1626 or 563-382-4497

You can also contact this number to have them pick up larger items and appliances. They will be glad to give you a quote on these items.

They also have dumpsters available for your larger projects.

SIDEWALKS

All previously marked sidewalks should have been repaired by this time. If you have one that hasn't.... it needs to be taken care of immediately. Contact the clerk's office to let the city know of your plans.

City employees will be doing a sidewalk inspection within the next few weeks to look for any old problems that haven't been corrected and to see if there are any new problems that need to be repaired.



The Calmar Public Library will hold their SUMMER READING PROGRAM beginning on JULY 18TH. Plan for your children to attend!



The Calmar Swimming Pool has a new manager. Her name is Anne Kriener from the Jackson Jct. area. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the pool, you can contact her at 319-361-8532.



The Calmar Police Department will have a new police officer. The City has hired Joe Ward from Calmar. He will begin work on July 16th. Joe will attend the Law Enforcement Academy for 13 weeks beginning in September.

**Happy
Summer**

Be Community Proud

Take pride in YOUR community! Mow your grass, trim around trees and poles. Be sure you take care of the boulevard adjacent to your property also. Get rid of the junk around your residence. Remove all junk cars from your property. If it isn't licensed it shouldn't be there. If it is a hazard it shouldn't be there. Your neighbors might not want to look at it either. Just a little time and effort goes a long way to making Calmar a beautiful place to live!

Farmer's Market

We are fortunate to have a few residents in town that worked really hard to get the Farmer's Market off the ground. We want to keep it so show your support!



EVERY FRIDAY

3:30 – 6:30

Calmar Depot

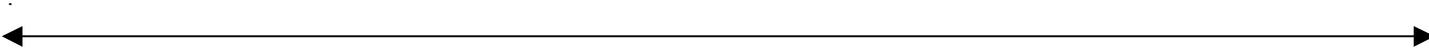
BIKE TRAIL UPDATE



If you haven't already made your contribution to the Trail Project, NOW is the time to do so.

If you want to purchase a paver, brick, mile marker, bike rack or bench, NOW is the time. You can have your family name engraved on it or as a memorial to a loved one.

The Calmar PAVE THE WAY is short of our goal. We are so close, LETS GET IT OVER THE TOP!



The City Council is asking the citizens of Calmar for your comments and suggestions regarding city services. What would you like to see in Calmar that we don't have and what improvements would you like to see.

Streets.....

Parks.....

Police.....

Pool.....

Public Works.....

CityHall/Clerk.....

Library.....

Please drop your completed comments/suggestions in the drop box at the Clerk's office.

THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR INPUT

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