

CITY OF CAMANCHE

FALL NEWSLETTER

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Domestic Sandpoint

Under Camanche City ordinance 6-3-26 (4) it is illegal to use a sandpoint well for internal domestic use as a dual system when city water service is connected.

Water meter readings are used for water and sewer charges. The City is committed to maintaining the integrity of its water system and will continue to conduct investigations where concerns of unauthorized domestic sandpoint systems may be in use.



DOMESTIC SANDPOINT

Iowa Administrative Code Section 567.43.1(4) prohibits connecting a sandpoint well to piping connected to a public water supply, unless the well meets DNR standards. Last year an administrative law judge found connecting a non-certified private well to a public water system was a public health hazard and assessed a \$3000.00 civil penalty against the public well owner, *see* IN THE MATTER OF: PLUM RIVER FAULT LINE GOLF, INC. AND MEADOWCREST FARMS, LTD. No. 2016-WS-04 Public Water Supply Facility No. 4965201 May 18, 2016, 2016 WL 3342559 (Iowa

Dept.Nat.Res.) As a matter of State Law, the City is required to monitor its public water system and remove non-certified well connections. If there is a private well on your property which is connected to piping carrying water from the City public water system, please disconnect it immediately. The City will be implementing a compliance monitoring program and violators will be assessed a civil penalty for violating City ordinances.

AUTHORIZED SANDPOINT USES

- ◆ External use only (water does not go down the sewer)
- ◆ Internal use (only if City Water is not connected to your house or city services are not available to your property)

Sewer Rates

City Council recently addressed its sewer fund deficit and debt by enacting a debt service fee. This fee is assessed to every household and will be used to cover the debt which was brought on in order to install the lift station. The initial fee of \$21.80 will be billed quarterly for 3 years to help eliminate the debt to the fund, and the fee will decrease to \$14.30 to continue making debt payments until 2030 when the debt is completely paid. At that point, the fee will terminate.

Trash Collection

The City of Camanche recently issued a resolution for clarification of what is an allowable amount of curbside trash for collection. The maximum amount allowable for weekly pickup is 3 bags. The maximum size and weight of the bags are 33 gallon bags with each at a maximum weight of 40 pounds.



Fall Pickup Dates

The Fall large item pickup dates are Tuesday, October 24th for the Monday route and Tuesday, October 31 for the Thursday route. Please be reminded that the amount allowable is about equal to a small pickup truck load. We expect all service to be completed prior to the commencement of Trick or Treat hours.

Trick or Treat

Hours for Trick or Treat are from 6 to 8 PM on October 31. Be prepared and be safe! All treats, no tricks.

WAYS TO PAY YOUR WATER BILL

- ◆ Pay in person at City Hall
- ◆ Set up with City Hall an agreement for automatic withdrawal transfer from your bank
- ◆ Credit Card in person or over the phone (Fees apply)
- ◆ Drop Box at City Hall

Calendar Parking

Changes may be coming to Calendar Parking. Please keep aware of the situation by visiting www.camancheia.org or following our Facebook page.

New Developments

There has been a lot of press lately concerning our new developments in Camanche. We welcome Park Vista Assisted Living, Cross Senior Housing, and Harbor Knoll Condominiums

Did You Know?

You can set up payment with City Hall to be withdrawn from your account to pay your water bill. You may also be able to arrange installments to be paid through your banking institution. The City also has the ability to accept monthly installment payments in person in advance at City Hall which will be credited to your account, or make payment arrangements after your bill has arrived. Just contact City Hall.

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