

July 2024 City Newsletter

City Council Briefs Not Formally Approved by Council

Meeting Date: June 10, 2024
 Council Present: Gruendemann, Mumme, Schneider, R. Kokesch, and Lund
 Staff Present: Radermacher
 Guests: T. Sherman, S. Traulich
 Regular Meeting called to order, Pledge and Roll Call.
 Approved minutes of the reg. meeting 5/13/24
 Approved consent agenda: bills of \$98,916.79; eight past due utility accounts; four zoning permits issued: 10'x6' wall at 371 St Hwy 19, 22'x'16' fence at 340 4th Ave, 22'x'24' deck at 450 2nd St S, 14'x34'x'11'6" shed at 330 6th St.

1. Traulich from Bolton and Menk went over feasibility report for the second avenue with the council. Council called for public hearing on the improvements for second avenue for July 8th at the community center.
2. Dept heads: Gutters to be replaced on City Hall, water leaks in through wall during significant rain events. Council approved the purchase of baracades and safety cones,
3. Park equipment set up was discussed as well as how volleyball could be set up for Catfish Days. Council approved purchase of border and wood chips for the new park equipment. Council discuss the future of the rest of Lion's park; fixing or getting rid of horseshoe pits, putting in a new game. Also discussed for the park was the planting of new trees in the park as a local business would like to donate a tree for the park; council approved getting Redwood Nursery to give their suggestions on best types of trees and where best places to plant would be.
4. Council approved removing two trees on the Fire Hall property.
5. T. Sherman discussed failing septic issue with council. Council approved Sherman to work with Renville County to set up private sewer system.
6. Approved 2024-2025 snow removal contract with Renville County
7. Temporary alcohol permit for Fire Relief at Catfish Days approved.
8. Bills were paid as follow:



Salaries	Net	\$9,423.18	John Deer	Supplies	\$77.94	Heiman	Fire truck	\$20,459.05
PERA	Retirement	\$1,712.88	Mikes Auto Parts	Supplies	\$194.99	VISA	Supplies	\$454.27
MN Dept. of Rev.	Withholding	\$468.99	Runnings	Supplies	\$32.13	MN Dept of Health	Dues	\$510.00
IRS	Withholding	\$2,731.52	Cedar Mountain	Summer Rec	\$500.00	Trista Radermacher	Mileage	\$167.50
SWWC	Insurance	\$4,255.32	McGowan	Parks	\$400.00	Franklin Amstar	Fuel	\$145.00
Ren-Sibley Coop.	Energy	\$53.15	Claudia Kokesch	Cleaning	\$227.50	MN Pump works	Pump	\$2,728.00
Clobes Sanitation	Garbage	\$3,232.29	Hawkins	Chemicals	\$40.00	MVTL	Lab	\$299.90
Madison National	Insurance	\$22.65	American Welding	Maintenance	\$480.90	MN Valley Telephone C	Telephone	\$374.90
Marco	Printing	\$370.52	Anderson Larson	Legal	\$480.00	Cynthia Minkel	Supplies	\$127.03
Gopher State	Locates	\$12.15	Bolton & Menk	Engineering	\$18,265.00	Fahey Tilling	Repair	\$1,587.53
			Franklin Fire Relief	Retire	\$1,000.00	Contracting Solutions	Park	\$28,082.50



Franklin's 49th Annual CATFISH DERBY DAYS

July 26 - 27 - 28 ♦ 2024

FOOD STANDS • BEER WAGON • SOFT DRINKS • ICE CREAM

"Minnesota's Catfishin' Capital"



Firemen's Softball Tourney

Saturday & Sunday
10 Team Tournament Double Elimination
Contact: Shawn Weber 507-430-8351

Queen Contest / Variety Show

Friday, 7:30 p.m.
Cedar Mt. Elementary School
Prizes by Civic Club
For entry in Variety Show, contact:
Jane Sullivan 320-212-3407

Bean Bag Tourney

Saturday 11:00 a.m. registration
Noon start by the Ballpark on street
Bring your own partner
Double Elimination
Contact: Brandon Munsel 507-430-2060

Co-Ed Volleyball

Saturday, 9:00 a.m.
Contact: Aaron Guggisberg 507-430-0857
Email: aguggisberg@farmward.net

Bouncy Houses

Saturday, 10:00 am - 5:00 p.m.
Main Street across from Ballpark

Craft and Vendor

Saturday & Sunday 10 am - 4 p.m.
By Ballpark
Contact: Cindy Zeman 507-220-5267

Franklin Fire & Rescue 5K

Saturday
Registration 7:30 am Race 8:30 am
Tim Joehneck 507-828-9783

Franklin Fire Dept. Bed Races

Saturday, July 27 - 6 pm
Main Street by Ball Field

CATFISH DERBY DAYS



STREET DANCES ♦ LIVE BANDS

Friday, 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 am

"2nd Notion"

Saturday, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

"Nathan Hansen"

Catfish Fishing Contest

TROPHIES ♦ CASH PRIZES

- Fishing registration & contest begin at 3 p.m. Friday and closes at 12 noon Sunday.
- Must register at City Hall - In Person only (before fishing)
- Registration fee is \$10.00
- Fish weigh in times and instructions will be on your registration card.
- Boundaries - Minnesota River from Vicksburg County Park down river to Hwy. 4 Landing/Bridge (South of Fairfax).
- Contest is DNR approved.
- Judge's decision is final.

Contact: Tom Ness - 507-430-1408

Catfish Derby Days is co-sponsored by:

- Franklin Lions Club
- Franklin Civic Club
- Franklin Development Corp.
- Franklin Fire Relief Assoc.
- Local Area Businesses

Kiss the Catfish Contest

Saturday, 8:30 p.m. - Main Street
Contact: Denise Johnson 507-766-5907

Chess Tourney

Friday - Sunday Franklin Community Ctr.
Friday 12:30 pm
Saturday 9:00 am
Sunday 9:30 am
Contact: James Kanne
507-557-8334 or 507-430-1917

Kiddie Parade

Sunday, 1 p.m.
Contact: Jane Sullivan 320-212-3407

Sunday Parade

Sunday, 1:30 p.m.
Contact: Tim Joehneck 507-828-9783

Kids Pedal Pull

Sunday Afternoon - after parade
On Street by Ballpark
Contact: Linda Harmoning 507-430-1160

Roll-In 'N' Cruise

Saturday, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
on Main Street
Contact: Christie Larson 563-379-3030

Raffle

Sunday
Tickets at Community Building
Drawing 3:30 p.m. at Ball Park
1st Prize - \$500
2nd Prize - \$400
3rd Prize - \$300
4th Prize - \$200
5th Prize - \$100

St. Luke's outdoor church service at 11:00 am - Bring lawnchair
Coffee & rolls will be served at 10:00 am before service

Please... No carry-in of intoxicating beverages!!

CATFISH DERBY DAYS



2024 Catfish Days

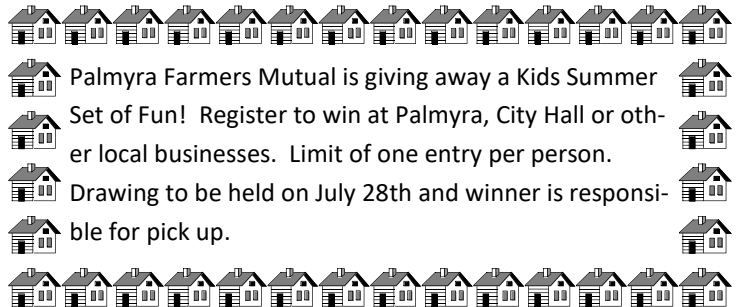
July 26-28

Fishing Contest, Street Dances, Softball Tourney, Queen Contest & Variety Show, Bean Bag Tourney, CO-Ed Volleyball Tourney, Bouncy Houses, Petting Zoo, Fire & Rescue Bed Races, Kiss the Catfish Contest, Chess Tourney, Medallion hunt, Car show, Kiddie & Grand Parade, Kids Pedal Pull, Music in the Park, Raffle, Food Stands, Beer Wagon and more!

NEEDED FOR CATFISH DAYS!

*Kids to participate in the Kiddie Parade Sunday July 28th and 1pm. Line up at 12:45 at Cedar Heart Homes parking lot. Contact Jane Sullivan at 320-212-3407

*Looking for acts to perform for the variety show Friday July 26th. Children are encouraged to put on a skit, a dance, or sing a song! All acts welcome! Contact Jane Sullivan at 320-212-3407



- Palmyra Farmers Mutual is giving away a Kids Summer Set of Fun! Register to win at Palmyra, City Hall or other local businesses. Limit of one entry per person.
- Drawing to be held on July 28th and winner is responsible for pick up.

Community Calendar July 2024

- July 4 Independence Day--City Hall Closed
- July 8 Lions Club, 6 PM
City Council, 7 PM
- July 9 Mosquito Spraying
- July 23 Mosquito Spraying
- July 25 Fire/MRU monthly meetings
- July 26-28 Catfish Derby Days!!



July Curbside Recycling Days-- 2, 16 & 30



*REMINDER— DO NOT mow your grass clippings onto the street! The clippings plug the storm sewer. Blowing your clippings into the street is a violation of City Ordinance!!



Open burning is regulated from April-October. You must have a permit to burn. Burning is allowed between the hours of 6:00PM-9:00PM. It is your responsibility to adhere to burning bans. There is no permit required for recreational (camp) fires.

Thank you to the May 30th Blood Donors who helped Franklin Meet their goal of 35 units collected!

Special Thank you to volunteer helpers with lunch, set up and registration: Jane Sullivan, Grace Sullivan, Sammy Gruendemann, Curt Scharfencamp and family, Trista Radermacher, and Kevin Kokesch.