

SIOUX CENTER CONNECTIONS



July 2025



July 4 closings

The City Office and library will be closed Fri., July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

Garbage will not be picked up July 4. This route will be collected Wednesday, July 2. Please keep recycling and trash containers 4 feet apart.

Sump pump alert

Sump pumps must drain into the storm sewer or your yard. They may NOT discharge into the sanitary sewer system (your drains).

Become an EMT

NCC will offer an EMT class in Sheldon starting in September. Sioux Center Ambulance will consider sponsoring community members willing to join our service. Call SC Ambulance at (712) 722-2453 or visit www.siouxcenterems.org.

On the Calendar

July 4 Fireworks,
10 p.m.
July 9-12...Crazy Days Sale
July 11-18..Sioux County
Youth Fair
July 14..... City Council,
4 p.m., City Office

City of Sioux Center

335 1st Ave. NW
Tel: (712) 722-0761
Mon-Thurs: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
www.siouxcenter.org



Moving ahead on Highway 75

The Highway 75 underground crews are moving north to work from 3rd St. N (downtown traffic signals) through 5th St. N (near Perspective Insurance). They have

completed underground work from 5th St. S to 2nd St. S, and the paving crew is getting rolling to pave the mainline, connections, and turn lanes in that segment.

Water rate update to help build new tower

Water rate increases are being considered for 2025 and 2026 after evaluating Sioux Center's growth, planned projects including a third water tower, replacement of old pipes, and inflation. This study indicated a significant shortfall if rates are not changed.

For an average home using 5,000 gallons of water per month, this would be roughly a

\$10 increase beginning with the September bill for water used in August, and about a \$6 increase on bills beginning mid-2026. On an overall utility bill, these two represent about a 6% total increase. The City Council approved the first and second readings of the proposed change, and it will be considered at the July 14 council meeting before it will go into effect.

Beat the peaks: Cool down summer energy bills

Our community's peak electric demand occurs when temps are in the mid-90's and above, usually between 3-7 p.m. If you reduce or delay electric use during these periods, Sioux Center's overall peak demand is lower, helping

delay construction of new energy plants and keeping your rates low.

As your community-owned utility, we are also updating your load management device to help. **Call (712) 722-0761 to get your update.**

Crazy sales July 9-12

Sioux Center Crazy Days sales are July 9-12! Enjoy sales at Centre Mall and around town, plus FREE mini-train rides and kids movies at the mall July 9.



Thanks to volunteers, sponsors, committee members and the community for making Summer Celebration 2025 a great weekend!

July 4
fireworks



Sioux Center's fireworks display will be held on Friday, July 4, at 10 p.m. in southern Sioux Center.

Parking is at Terrace View Event Center, 4 Brothers Bar & Grill and South Ridge Travel Plaza. Also, as available, at Ridge Clubhouse's south parking lot. If you park by the clubhouse, please don't venture far from the parking lot on grass, and use only blankets there - no lawn chairs. Patriotic music on KSOU FM 93.9.

Thanks to the Sioux Center Fire Department for making the fireworks show possible.

LOCAL NEWS AND EVENTS

Sioux Center library offers summer fun & learning

The Sioux Center Public Library will be closed July 4 for Independence Day.

Build-your-own Stuffed Alien Party, Tues., July 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 4-9 invited to register. Cost \$12.

Glow-in-the-dark space adventure, Thurs., July 10, for youth of all ages! Black lights and interactive activities!

Pizza, Puzzle, Pop Challenge July 14.

Teams of four compete to finish a large pizza, 300-piece puzzle, and 20 oz. soda. Teens compete at noon and adults at 6 p.m. Pre-registration required.

Dr. Jeff Gladstone presentation, **"It's Not Rocket Science,"** Thurs., July 17, 7 p.m. Dordt University associate professor of engineering will talk rocket engineering: creating solid rocket

motors, missions to Mars, and more.

Grades 4-6 invited **Spanish language learning** July 21-25! Games and activities to learn some basic Spanish. No prior knowledge is necessary. Pre-register.

Lunar presentation by Dr. Channon Visscher of Dordt U., Tues., July 29 7 p.m. on past missions and future exploration.

More: www.siouxcenterlibrary.org

Need to throw away an appliance?

To dispose of an appliance, contact Brommer Sanitation or bring them to Brommer Sanitation during business hours: Mon-Thurs., 8 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-4 p.m. Fridays 8 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-3:30 p.m.

Adding parking at your home?

You may be able to add a 10-foot parking wing. A Minor Site Improvement permit is required. Contact Kris (712) 722-0761

All Seasons Center summer fun!

Holiday hours: Siouxnami Waterpark is open Friday, July 4, 12-6 p.m., at 12 noon for members and 1 p.m. for the public.

Still need to sign up for swimming lessons? Private lessons are available. Call the All Seasons Center at (712) 722-4FUN.

Tour de Sioux Center - FREE! Family bike ride around Sioux Center on Mon., Aug. 4 at 5:30 p.m. Begin at the All Seasons Center parking lot, bike 45 minutes and end at the ASC for a free pizza supper and swimming until 8 p.m. for participants.

New debit or credit card?

If you recently received a new debit or credit card, update your card number with Sioux Center Municipal Utilities to avoid interruption in your auto pay!

Notice to underground pipe owners

The Sioux Center Natural Gas Utility would like to inform customers of federal regulations regarding privately owned buried natural gas lines downstream from natural gas meters. Please note: 1) Improperly maintained or buried piping may corrode or leak. 2) Buried piping should be periodically inspected for leaks or corrosion. 3) Any unsafe conditions should be repaired immediately. 4) Any excavation near a buried gas pipe must be done with care. Customers are responsible for maintaining their piping, but we will assist them in locating, testing and identifying such pipe. If you have questions or want more information, contact Murray Hulstein or Matt Dykstra at (712) 722-0761.



Dog reminders:

Please keep dogs on a leash/under control on the recreation trail, and please always clean up after your dog.

Before you bring in a food truck:

All food trucks coming to Sioux Center, including for special events at businesses, need a permit. The food truck or the business/organization hosting them can apply. Complete the permit application at www.siouxcenter.org/foodtruck or call Kris at (712) 722-0761. **At least 72 hour notice is required.**

Save money twice with rebates!

Get money back for rebates on energy-saving appliances, plus save money on utilities!

www.siouxcenter.org/rebate

Permit needed for temporary signs

Hosting an event or sale? A permit is required for temporary signs including message board signs and electronic signs, banners, flags, etc. used for short periods of time. No fee. The permit form is available at www.siouxcenter.org/tempsigns.

Notice to electric/natural gas customers

The Iowa Utilities Board requires that all utilities notify customers about the resolution of complaints. All of us at Sioux Center Municipal Utilities do our best to make sure your utility service is as good as possible. If you have a complaint about your gas or electric service, call (712) 722-0761. Your question or complaint will receive prompt attention. If your question is about service disconnection, safety, or renewable energy and Sioux Center Municipal Utilities does not resolve the complaint, you may request assistance from the Iowa Utilities Board by calling (877) 565-4450, emailing customer@iub.iowa.gov or writing to 1375 E Court Ave, Room 69, Des Moines, IA 50319-0069.