

CITY OF ARNOLDS PARK

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Utility Billing

Utility Bills are sent out at the end of each quarter and are to be paid by the 20th of the month in order to receive a discount. Bills that are not paid by this date are considered past due and are subject to being disconnected.

You may pay by check or cash at City Hall, or online using a credit card at www.arnoldsparkcity.com (there is a small fee for this service). Another option is to have your payment automatically deducted from a checking or savings account. Please contact City Hall for more information on automatic withdrawal.

Yard Waste and Open Burning

The City has proper disposal methods for yard waste and we ask that it never be blown onto or placed on the streets, public roads, or neighboring lots.

If you wish to have your yard waste (no dirt or rocks) picked up, it must be placed in City bags, tied shut, and placed at the **curbside by 7:00 a.m.** on Tuesdays. The bags must not weigh more than 50 pounds. Cut branches in 4 feet lengths and bundle with a City bag attached. Yard waste is picked up from April through October (dependent upon the weather). City bags are available for purchase at City Hall. If you need to dispose of yard waste outside of this time frame, you will need to drop off your bags at the Dickinson County Regional Collection Center located at 2260 220th Street (A34), Milford, Iowa; charges may apply.

If you choose to burn your yard waste, please be courteous to neighbors and use good judgment based on weather conditions. All fires must be attended by a person 18 years of age or older at all times. Any yard waste you burn on your property, must originate on your property.

The burning of garbage, rubber, or anything of a toxic matter is strictly prohibited. Yard waste shall not be burned on City property.



Garbage and Recycling

Garbage for residential customers from Labor Day to Memorial Day is on Mondays only. Recycling will continue to be picked up on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. Carts must be curbside prior to 7:00 a.m. for pickup. If you do not have your container out in time, it will not be picked up until the next designated collection day. Commercial trash is picked up on Monday and Friday weekly.

Recycling must be placed in the correct container and must be recycling items only, no garbage. Accepted recyclables include: cans (steel, tin, aluminum), plastic containers (bottles, tubs, jugs), flattened cardboard, paper (newspapers, office paper, junk mail, magazines). Shredded paper and plastic bags need to be bagged separately in clear plastic bags. **Do not recycle the following items:** glass (bottles, jars, baking dishes), styrofoam, ceramics, porcelain, toys, clothes, shoes, rubber, waste & food, pizza boxes, hazardous materials (paint, lead, glue, oil), electronics (TV's, keyboards, batteries, bulbs), furnace filters. Please call City Hall with any questions regarding garbage or recycling.

Voting

There is a temporary Polling Place change for the 2021/2022 School and City elections. All Arnolds Park voters will vote at the Hedberg Theatre, located at the Maritime Museum, 243 Broadway Street West, Arnolds Park.

Projects

Pickleball Courts have been constructed at Sawmill Park. The four courts are used frequently by both residents and visitors to Arnolds Park. The contractor for this project was Diamond Concrete.

Full-depth removal and replacement of Pillsbury Point Park Road, and a mill and overlay of Prairie Lane and Circle Drive began at the end of September. This project was postponed from last year due to funding and the uncertainty associated with the pandemic. The entire project has a completion date of December 1, 2021; however, dependent upon weather, construction could take as little as four to five weeks. Access to property and residences throughout the entire project may be limited at times. The contractor on this project is Blacktop Service Co; the subcontractor is Beck Excavating.

The Phase 3 portion of the Lakeview Boulevard Pedestrian Walkway will begin as soon as SHPO approval is received from the State of Iowa. This portion of the walkway will continue around Pillsbury Point on both IDNR and City property to Monument Drive. This will connect Lakeview Boulevard with the sidewalk from the Amusement Park. Included in the project will be the cleanup of the West Okoboji shoreline around Pillsbury Point in cooperation with IDNR and Imagine Iowa Great Lakes who is providing the funding. Restoration of the shoreline will be similar in nature to Clare C. Wilson Park, and the Hattie Elston boat ramp. The contractor for the Pedestrian Walkway is MLS Landscape & Design.



Winter Utility Shut Down

Do you travel over the winter? If you leave your home unoccupied during the winter months, it is recommended that you have your home winterized. This could avoid a disaster in the event of a power outage or other unforeseen event.

ATV, ORV, and Snowmobile Ordinance

All persons operating must have a valid motor vehicle license and provide proof of current registration and proof of insurance as required by the Iowa Code Chapter 321I.

ATV's, ORV's, and snowmobiles may be operated in the City twenty-four (24) hours a day and must be equipped with operating headlights and taillights.

ATVs, ORVs, and snowmobiles will be allowed to cross Highway 71 at Broadway Street and at 202nd Street, but are **not** be allowed to operate on Highway 71; however, they are allowed on all other City streets at a speed no greater than thirty-five (35) miles per hour. It is illegal to operate an ATV, ORV or snowmobile in any City Park, playground, or upon any other City property without permission of the City.



Snow Removal

***Town and Country Disposal will not empty commercial dumpsters if there is snow in front of or blocking the dumpster. Businesses are responsible for snow removal and ensuring the path is clear for the garbage trucks.

Business owners: It is your responsibility to remove snow and ice promptly from the sidewalk in front of your business. If this is not done within a reasonable time, the City may do so and assess the costs against the property owner (City Ordinance and Code of Iowa).



Police

Pet Owners: Reminder of the Leash Law in Arnolds Park. Pets must be on a leash with a maximum 10 – Foot leash. Please clean up after your pets. All animals must be in a secure location away from electric, gas, and water meters to insure your meters are read properly.

Winter Reminders: All vehicles must be off City streets following a snowfall of 2 inches or more for snow removal. If they are not removed, they will be ticketed and/or towed. Residents of Arnolds Park that would be leaving for winter may come to the Arnolds Park Police Department and fill out a House Watch form. This allows the police department to contact you should there be an incident that involves your residence. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the police department at (712) 332-2227 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. After hours, you make contact the Dickinson County Communications Center at (712) 336-2525.



Emergency Number

If you have an emergency on weekends or holidays, please call the Dickinson County Communications Center at (712) 336-2525.

Library

Library News

New to the library!

The Arnolds Park Library, along with Milford and Spirit Lake Libraries, have received a grant through Youth In Philanthropy to purchase 12 wireless hotspots for the public to use. Each library has four devices available to be checked out for up to two weeks at a time. What a great resource for students, vacationers, families, or anyone needing an internet connection. Please stop by the library with any questions or check one out today!

Programming opportunities at the library:

Past Times: Join Mary Dreier, Dickinson County Museum Curator, for conversation and fellowship as we reminisce about days past in our amazing lakes area. There will be plenty of time for story sharing; plus, what a great opportunity to “show and tell” of some of the incredible items and pictures on display in the museum. This program is held on the first Thursday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

Paint Night at the Library: The Lakes Libraries will continue to offer monthly paint nights this fall and winter. Attendees of any skill level are invited to recreate a beautiful painting by following step-by-step instructions from the artist who created the original painting. All painting supplies are provided. Early registration cost is \$10.00. Space is limited so be sure to sign up ahead of time!

Monday Morning Mah Jongg Club: The players meet at 9:30 a.m. every Monday morning in the library. If you are a Mah Jongg player or would like to learn the game, we invite you to stop by the library on Monday mornings to meet this wonderful group of players.

Our library book club meets the second Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. The group has a wonderful list of books picked out for the fall. Each month a different book is discussed and coffee and treats are served. If you are interested in learning more about book club, please stop by the library or join us at our next book club on Wednesday, October 13.

Kids Craft Bags: Sign-up for our next craft-to-go bags will be available soon. Please watch our website and Facebook page for more information.

The library continues to add new items daily. Whether you take joy in reading books, listening to audio Playaways, or watching movies, the library has something for everyone! Please stop in and check out all our new items and enjoy a cup of coffee, tea, or cider at our coffee station.

