

Van Meter News

Happy Labor Day!

September 2017



Elected Officials:

Mayor

-Allan Adams

Mayor Pro Tem

-Kim Sacker,

Council

-Adam Lamoureux

-Lyn Lyon

-Mike Peterson

-Owen Stump

City Staff:

Jake Anderson—

City Administrator

Liz Thompson—Clerk

Dave Herman—

Public Works

Michael Abbott—

Public Works

Suzanne Lindaman—

Library Director

-Library—515-996-2435

Police Chief Bill Daggett—

Officer Craig Greer

-Non Emergency—

515-993-4567

ELECTION INFORMATION

Notice of Election—Local Option Sales & Service Tax Election

On November 7, 2017 an election will be held in Dallas County to vote on the question of imposition of a local sales and service tax (LOSST) at the rate of 1%. This election will be held in conjunction with the Regular City Election. All eligible electors of Dallas County will vote (rural & city). The proposal to be voted upon at that election will include the following information:

Type of tax: 1% Local Sales and Service Tax

The following information will appear on the ballots for Van Meter:

In the City of Van Meter, revenue is to be used: 25% for property tax relief. The specific purpose for which the revenues shall otherwise be expended is 75% for any lawful purpose of the City, including but not limited: Water, sewer, and street infrastructure. Curb, gutter and other storm water projects. Parks and trails. Recreation, library, and public safety facilities to be effective on July 1, 2018.

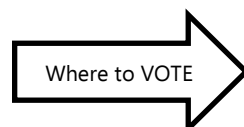
2017 Regular City Election

The City of Van Meter has 3 council at large seats up for election. The term of office is 4 years. Signatures of at least 10 eligible electors of the City of Van Meter are required on nomination petitions. The nomination filing period began August 28 and runs until 5p Thursday, September 21, 2017.

All nomination papers must be filed in the office of the County Auditor at 210 N. 10th St in Adel.

2017 School Board Election—SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

There are 3 at large School Board Director positions.



Veterans Reception Center

910 Main Street

Van Meter

7a—8p



VMPD

HELP US HELP YOU

We need your help. We need you to dial 911 for emergencies and for non-emergencies call 515-993-4567 for the Dallas County Dispatch. We love being connected to the community by our cellular telephones but with the update in technology and the expansion of the police department we need your help in reporting emergencies and calls for service directly to the Dallas County Dispatch. Sheriff Leonard and his communications team are invaluable in assuring you get the best assistance and the correct assistance in your time of need. Dispatch knows who is on, who is on-call and are trained to gather all the information they need to best help you. We love our community and need your help to assure you get the best services.

SCHOOL HAS STARTED

We want to remind everyone that school started August 23, 2017. Please be aware of our students as they walk to and from school. We are a Safe Routes to School community and the police department needs your help in keeping our children safe.



VAN METER PUBLIC LIBRARY

PH: 515-996-2435

What is happening at your Van Meter Public Library?

Although summer reading is over, there are still many activities at the library. You are invited to attend any (or all) of the events. In addition to the experiences at the library, we reach out. Every other week we will be visiting University Kids and Kids Care for a Story Time.

Weekly –

Tech **Tuesdays**

Drop by with your questions about technology or make an appointment for a more involved issue. If we cannot answer it that day, we will find the answer! If there is interest, we will schedule classes on e-books, Facebook, or Microsoft programs. Let us know what you need.

Story Time on **Wednesdays** at 10:30 a.m.

There will be stories, puppets, rhymes and songs. We will end with a craft! Starting in September, we will focus on the five senses and opposites.

Tween/Teen Crafting on **Wednesdays** at 3:30p.

Join us for a fun craft, all supplies will be provided.

Movie Matinee on **Fridays** at 1:45p.

A child friendly movie will be shown after the early school dismissal.

Special programming –

September 15 Stuffed Animal Sleepover 4 – 6p.

Kids, bring a stuffed animal to the library to have a sleep over! Your animal will stay at the library Friday night. The "stuffedie" will have a Story Time, supper, play time, and fun. On Saturday morning, between 10a—1p, you can pick up your stuffed animal, a treat, and pictures of their adventures.



September 23 Bike Rodeo 1 – 3p

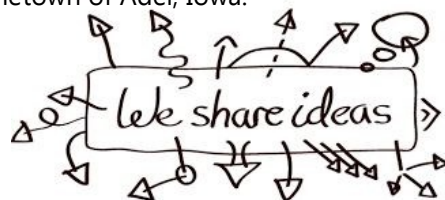
The Van Meter Police Department and the Van Meter Public Library are teaming up for a Bike Rodeo. Bring your bikes to the library and we will talk about bike safety, there will also be games and prizes!

October 3 Author Mike Flinn 6:30p.

Mike will be talking about the Adel bank robbery and his book Most Exciting Day. Mike has written several books about the area and would love to visit with you. About Mike - I came to the writing game late, after spending the greater part of my life in other pursuits. I have a great interest in the history of our little corner of the world. I wrote my first book after retiring and running out of things to do quicker than I, or my dear wife, thought. I spent a cold Iowa winter at my computer researching and writing "Most Exciting Day," the story of an actual 1895 bank robbery in my hometown of Adel, Iowa.

Share Your Ideas

The Van Meter Public Library is always searching for ways to grow and serve the community. If you have an idea for a program, let us know!



VAN METER FARMERS MARKET



Thank you! for a great
2017 Farmers Market Season!

Thank you! to Barb Phillips, Rebecca Murphy, Emily Lindsey, Gary Sacker and Family, and Sandy Murphy for all of your hard work, time and dedication to help make it a successful year.

Thank you! to all the vendors and entertainment .

Thanks! to all of you who came to help support this community event.

Save the date:

Winter Market

Saturday, December 2

to be a vendor

Please contact Holly at 515-996-2702
space will be limited.

FALL TIME FUN!!

Sunday, October 1

1p to 5p

Corn Maze and Pumpkin Patch

The Tim & Jody Forret Farm

29065 322nd Road, Adel

(4 miles NE of Van Meter)

\$5 admission (3 & under free)

Travel through the maze to find a hidden treat
bag and fun tattoos

FOR SALE!!
Wide variety & sizes
of pumpkins and
gourds



All proceeds support the 2018 JR & SR After Prom



Agreement For Preauthorized Payments

To sign up for AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL, please complete the form below and mail or bring to City Hall along with a VOIDED CHECK from your financial institution.

I (we) hereby authorize the CITY OF VAN METER to initiate debit entries to my (our) checking account indicated below and the depository named below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, to debit the same to such account.

DEPOSITORY NAME _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

TRANSIT ABA NO. _____ **ACCOUNT NO.** _____

(Transit ABA Number is the first 9 numbers from left on the bottom of your check)

This authority is to remain in full force and effect until the City of Van Meter and Depository have received written notification from me (either of us) of its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford the City of Van Meter and Depository a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

NAME(s) (print) _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

Sign up for ACH. How does ACH work? The City will automatically debit your checking or savings account on the 15th of the month. No more penalties! One less thing to remember.
You can also pay online at www.vanmeteria.gov; Bill Pay tab.

CITY OF VAN METER

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Visit our website at
www.vanmeteria.gov

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Garbage collection will be one day late due to the Labor Day holiday—Tuesday, September 5th. City offices will be closed on Monday, September 4th—Please leave any messages or payments in the mail slot next to the front door.

Waste Connections Inc.

515-265-7374

September Recycling Schedule

September 4 and 18

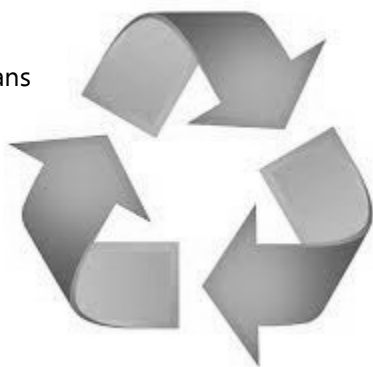
ACCEPTABLE RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING ITEMS

Glass, All Colors

- Bottles (no lids)
- Jars (no lids)

Metal

- Aluminum cans
- Empty aerosol cans
- Steel or tin cans
- Wire hangers



Plastic

- Screw-top plastics (with caps)
- Only yogurt and margarine tubs (no lids)

Paper

- Corrugated cardboard (breakdown and cut to fit into cart)
- Mixed paper (junk mail, phone books, envelopes)
- Newspaper, glossy inserts and magazines
- Paper food cartons (not caps) (not cylinder shaped)
- Shredded paper (place in paper sack or box)

Residential Yard Waste: Collection Service Runs through November 27

Waste Connections of Iowa offers seasonal residential yard waste service in Van Meter. Gardeners love to use composted grass and leaves to enrich their gardens and landscape. Please do not contaminate the yard waste-to-composting cycle with other items.