



Happy Spring!

I'm excited to share the completion of phase 1 of Railroad Park, featuring the long-awaited Veterans Memorial. We will be hosting our first **Memorial Day Service** on Monday, May 27th, a solemn occasion to pay tribute to those who bravely served in the Military. The City is also kicking off phase 2, which includes the Wyoming History Walk. Phase 2 has prompted me to reflect on Wyoming's long and interesting history. Here's a fun fact:



- *Have you ever wondered how Wyoming got its name?* Settlers were reminded of the picturesque Wyoming Valley in Pennsylvania from where they came. They were captivated by the landscape and ultimately named both the township and the city after this scenic valley.

Springtime in Wyoming brings a flurry of activity for our businesses and community including:

- **Sherri's Greenhouse**, nestled on **Bruce's IGA** parking lot, has an abundance of flowers and plants to spruce up your flower beds.
- For a cultural experience, downtown Wyoming welcomes you to the **Hallberg Center for the Arts**. For fun events, check their website.
- An opportunity to explore our 17 parks, where you can find a **disc golf course**, **ball fields**, open spaces, nature trails, a **skate park** and our **new dog park** at Town Hall Park (See next page for more info).

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming **Arbor Day Celebration** on Saturday, April 27th as we plant trees at City Hall; and a family favorite, **Touch A Truck** on Saturday, June 1st.

I look forward to seeing everyone come together at these events and celebrating our community and residents; all who make Wyoming such a great place to live and work.

Wishing you all the BEST!
Mayor Lisa Iverson



We are looking for individuals that are interested in serving as a 2024 Wyoming election judge.

If interested, contact us at:
651-462-0575
wyoming@wyomingmn.org

Upcoming Events

- Arbor Day Celebration
Saturday, April 27
- Bike Rodeo
Saturday, Mid-May*
- Touch A Truck
Saturday, June 1
- Farmer's Market
Thursdays, June-October
- Night To Unite
Tuesday, August 6
- Stagecoach Day
Saturday, September 14

*At the time of publication, this date wasn't confirmed. Visit the Police Department's Facebook page for updated info.
www.wyomingmn.org/communityevents

Dog Park Opening This Summer!

The City of Wyoming is delighted to announce the addition of a new amenity to our community this summer...a dog park! Located at the Town Hall Park next to the Wyoming Police Department (7665 Wyoming Trail).

This park will provide a safe and welcoming space for canine socialization and exercise. The Town Hall Dog Park is expected to open by the end of June. Keep an eye out for further updates as we approach that time. We can't wait to see you and your dogs out enjoying this new and exciting addition to our City!



Potholes

www.wyomingmn.org/potholes

Our Wyoming Public Works team is currently out patching potholes by severity. Please be patient as they get to them. In the meantime, feel free to reach out here - www.wyomingmn.org/contactus - and we'll add it to our list.

You may view our current and future street improvement projects by going to www.wyomingmn.org/streetimprovementprogram.

Railroad Park Update

www.wyomingmn.org/railroadparkproject

Phase 1: Veteran's Memorial - Brick orders are still being accepted and put on a waitlist, please use the link above to submit an order.

Phase 2: History Walk - This includes a donor recognition feature, stage area, a history walk area, benches and lighting. WSB has been contracted to provide us with a final design, which will go for bids next month. We are hoping to break ground on this phase late summer.

Welcome Our New Hires!

Steve Reeves

Public Works Superintendent

Steve is our new Public Works Superintendent. Steve was previously with the City of Oakdale and Ramsey County. Steve brings great credentials and experience to the position here at Wyoming. We are very excited to have him join our staff. Be sure to give him a wave when you see him around town!



Jess Munkholm

Administrative Assistant/Records Clerk

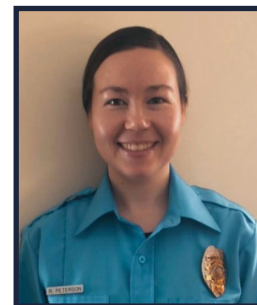
Wyoming Public Safety welcomes Jess as our new police and fire administrative assistant. Since 2021, she was an orthodontic assistant and has been a volunteer firefighter with the Taylors Falls Fire Department since 2020. Jess has related experience as an office administrator, in addition to performing the role of an HR assistant/accounts payable role. She also has experience as an office coordinator in the Chisago County area. Welcome Jess!



Rebekah Peterson

Reserve Cadet Officer (RCO)

Wyoming Public Safety welcomes Rebekah as our new RCO! She is attending law enforcement courses and will be eligible to take the POST exam the end of 2024. She will be working a mixture of patrol and administrative shifts over the next 9 months. We look forward to seeing her growth as she becomes a Wyoming Police Officer. Be sure to say "Hi!" when she's out and about!



Street Sweeping

www.wyomingmn.org/streetmaintenance

Street sweeping will begin soon. Please keep your trash cans, basketball hoops, etc. out of the right of way/roads. Thank you!

Irrigation Ordinance

www.wyomingmn.org/waterandsewer

Wyoming has an odd-even watering ordinance. All customers utilizing city water may water their lawns on **odd-even days** depending on their address. Those with odd addresses, water on odd days; those with even addresses, water on even days.

Also, watering **must NOT occur between the hours of 10:00 am and 6:00 pm**. If you have new sod, contact us at 651-462-0575 or wyoming@wyomingmn.org for an exemption permit.

Clean Up After Your Dog

www.wyomingmn.org/surfacewater

If you haven't been keeping up with it this winter, all that dog poop is now sitting on your lawn. Let's do your part and clean it up. Why? It sends fecal coliform and E. coli into local lakes and rivers whenever it rains. Those people unfortunate enough to swim or fish in water contaminated with fecal coliform can become infected with typhoid fever, viral and bacterial gastroenteritis and hepatitis A. Fecal coliform in the water also contributes to algae growth, making the river green and unsightly and choking out oxygen needed for aquatic life.

Why blame it on the dogs? A study¹ from the EPA states "that just 2-3 days' worth of waste from only 100 dogs can contribute enough bacteria to temporarily close a bay and all watershed areas to swimming or shell fishing within 20 miles." Wyoming covers an area of 21.92 square miles and we are the land of 11,842 lakes. Just think of all the contamination in our local waters.

Let's make it a priority to do your part and keep poop out of the water. Please clean up your yard and equip yourself with bags whenever you and your dog head out for a walk this spring.

For more information on keeping our local waters clean, go to www.wyomingmn.org/surfacewater.

¹www.doodycalls.com/articles/blog/pet-friendly-communities/epa-says-dog-poop-is-an-environmental-hazard-on-

2024 Quarterly Utility Rates

www.wyomingmn.org/utilitybilling

On December 5, 2023 (sewer & water) & on November 17, 2020 (surface water), the City Council passed a change of utility rates for 2024. Here are the current rates:

Water

Residential

Base Fee (5/8" to 7/8" Meters)	\$43.18
Usage - 20,000 gallons and less	\$.003568/gallon
Usage - 20,001 gallons and more	\$.004459/gallon

Commercial

Usage - 62,000 gallons and less	\$.003568/gallon
Usage - 62,001 gallons and more	\$.004459/gallon
Base Fee	5/8" to 7/8" \$43.18
(Based on meter size)	1" \$60.44
	1.5" \$77.71
	2" \$125.21
	3" \$474.92

Sales Tax 7.38%

State Surcharge

\$2.43/metered property

Sewer

Residential & Commercial

Base Fee	\$31.44
Usage	\$.0134/gallon

Surface Water

Agricultural & Residential Uses	\$9.55/parcel
High Density Residential	\$77.33/acre
Manufactured Homes	\$77.33/acre
Commercial	\$77.33/acre
Central Business	\$77.33/acre
Office & Health Care	\$77.33/acre
Industrial (Urban)	\$100.25/acre
Industrial (Non-Urban)	\$9.55/parcel

Fees

Late Fee	5% of amount due on current bill
NSF Fee	\$35.00
ACH/EFT Reject Fee	\$15.00

Pool Fill Ups & Irrigation Usage

If you are filling up a pool, irrigating, or watering outside, please note that this isn't going towards your sewer usage. Your sewer usage has already been calculated for the year. Go to www.wyomingmn.org/utilitybilling for details.

Compost Site

www.wyomingmn.org/composthazardouswasterecycling

The Chisago County Compost Site opens on Wednesday, April 17! Compost consists of leaves, grass clippings and brush (up to 3" in diameter). Any Chisago County resident can drop off compost at no charge. For hours and location, go to www.wyomingmn.org/composthazardouswasterecycling.

Regular Septic Pumping

www.wyomingmn.org/septicssystem

Wyoming city code requires that every 3 years property owners must provide proof that they are maintaining their septic system (i.e. septic pumping). A poorly functioning septic system is a threat to human health and the environment.

Each system is designed specifically for your site's conditions and usage. Only regular maintenance and evaluation can ensure it's actually treating your sewage and it will also increase your system's life.

Symptoms of a poorly functioning system: pipe going directly into the lake or ground, sewage surfacing in the yard or ditch, sewage odors, high levels of nitrates or coliform bacteria in well water tests, or algae blooms and excessive plant growth in nearby ponds or lakes.

Nuisance Property Cleanup

The Wyoming Police Department will be canvassing neighborhoods in April to identify homes needing spring cleanup. **They will be addressing yards littered with debris, exterior stored construction materials, and junk vehicles.** Construction materials and household goods must be stored inside a building. Debris and junk vehicles cannot be stored in yards or driveways for more than 30 days. A junk vehicle is any vehicle that is partially dismantled, wrecked, does not have current registration or cannot be safely operated on a roadway.

For further information, view the City Code (Chapter 16-Division 5 & Section 16-33) or contact the Police Department at 651-462-0577.

Officers will be issuing warning letters to those properties in violation before proceeding with enforcement efforts. Please do your part to keep our city clean and attractive. Contact your local waste provider to see what they can haul away.

Spring Cleaning

www.wyomingmn.org/composthazardouswasterecycling

Spring is here! Go to www.chisagocountymn.gov/384/Waste-Disposal-Recycling and enter what you are looking to get rid of. It will tell you how to recycle/discard and where to do so. Here are our local locations:

Hazardous Items

The following items can be brought to the North Branch Industrial Park for proper disposal:

- Automotive/Petroleum Products
- Home Improvement Products
- Batteries (not vehicle batteries)
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Household Cleaners
- Lawn & Garden Chemicals
- Misc. Items - Acids and bases, mercury, pool chemicals, photographic chemicals, propane cylinders, cell phones

Location: 39649 Grand Avenue in North Branch

Hours: Mondays from 12-7 pm

Last Saturday of each month from 9 am - 1 pm

Contact: 651-213-8920

Website: www.chisagocountymn.gov/396/Household-Hazardous-Waste

Other Items

The following items may be brought to SRC for a fee:

- Household Rubbish
- Construction Debris
- Furniture
- Appliances/Fixtures
- Green treated lumber
- Gas, propane & helium tanks
- Misc Items - Campers, boats, treadmills, engines, truck toppers, snowmobiles, garage doors, hot tubs, motorcycles, snowblowers, lawn mowers, bicycles, fire extinguishers, grills, porcelain, fluorescent lights
- Tires
- Electronics
- Carpet
- Pallets
- Clean scrap metal
- Nicad Batteries

Location: 6320 E Viking Blvd in Wyoming

Hours: Weekdays from 8 am - 4:30 pm

Saturdays from 8 am - 1:30 pm

Contact: 651-462-1099

Website: www.mytrashservice.com