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JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

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City Council Meeting

January 10th & January 24th

City Council Chambers
Visit the City of Peosta **website** for Agenda and Minutes.

Special Election for City Council filing deadline

January 20th

Nomination Papers
Affidavit for Candidacy

Christmas Tree Pick-Up

January 12th

Save the Date

Centralia/Peosta Fire & Rescue Fireman's Drive Through Breakfast
February 19th
7:30am-12:00pm

Happy New Year!!
"Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow."
—**Albert Einstein**

The new year is upon us! My hope for you is that you find yourself with many exciting and new challenges this year. Do not let the fear or reservation that you have never done something before keep you from doing something new. Everything that has ever been done had a beginning. The beginning is always a little scary and makes you uneasy. That's how you know it's going to be good!

The City of Peosta will be doing a remodel of parts of the Peosta Community Center, including the City Hall offices and meeting areas. I know the end result will provide a better working environment for our city staff and a better City Hall for the citizens of Peosta.

If you are looking for a new adventure this year, there is a seat open on the city council that we will be having a special election **February 14th.** The term will be up for re-election in November, so it would be less than a year to fill the term. Election forms are available at the Dubuque County Elections Office. All forms need to be returned to the Dubuque County Courthouse and the filing deadline is **January 20th, 2023**. Links are provided on the Peosta City website.

January and February are the months when the council and city department leaders work on getting the budget set for next fiscal year, which begins July 1st. We will be deciding which projects receive priority and which projects may need to wait for another year. If you have any thoughts about what is important to you for the city, please let your council members or myself know what they are. We will use that information as decisions are made concerning the budget.

What do snowmen do on New Year's Eve? Chill out.
I hope you have a *chill* New Year!!
Peosta is truly the Middle of Everywhere and always a hub of activity!

Russ Pfab
City of Peosta Mayor

Light Up Peosta!

Thanks to all the businesses who donated to our **3rd annual Light Up Peosta!** We appreciate all who entered their home and those who voted for their favorites! Peosta sure knows how to enjoy the Holiday Spirit! Bring on the lights and cheer!

Congratulations to Light Up Peosta Winners

*1162 Hansel Circle/ *701 Willow Ridge North /*882 Kinzlee Court/
*Willis Auto Body/ * Trackside Bar and Grill

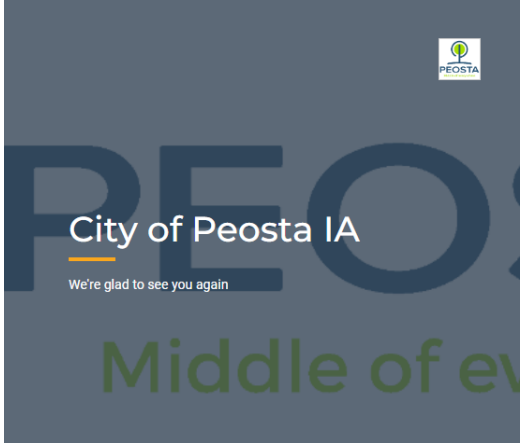
City of Peosta Police Department

Snow season has arrived and will here for the next couple of months. The Peosta Police Department has a few reminders for residents to help make street cleanup safe and more efficient for our Public Works Department.

When possible, please remove vehicles from streets during snow falls. Parking is available for residents at the northeast corner of the Peosta Community Centre (upper lot). Stay tuned to local media outlets, City Facebook page, and City website for announcements of "snow emergencies." There will be no parking allowed on streets during this time. If you would like to receive a text message when a snow emergency is declared (along with other City news and event notification), please sign up for our Text Message service. Text the word “Peosta” to 81257. Or sign-up **Here.**

Sidewalks
In order to provide a safe community, it is important to maintain clear and safe sidewalks during the winter months. Walkers/runners/and children walking to school or bus stops are still utilizing the sidewalks daily. Property owners are responsible for removal of snow and ice from all sidewalks that abut their private property within 24 hours after snowfall ends.

Dog license payments were due January 1st. If you have not paid for your dog license please do so as soon as possible. You can pay online or by dropping your payment off at our drop box which is located in the upper parking lot of the Peosta Community Centre. Licenses will be mailed to residents who pay online through **FrontDesk,** mail in their payment (PO Box 65), or drop off in the Utility drop box at the Peosta Community Centre. Dog licenses are $20 per dog. Thank you!



MAKE BILL PAYING EASY

FrontDesk is now live. You can create an account to view your utility billing information, complete a form, pay fees and more.
This will offer you greater flexibility to view and pay your utility bills online. In addition, you will have options to enroll in AutoPay and receive electronic notifications.

Christmas Tree Removal

Bi-County will be picking up Christmas Trees for residents on January 12th. Tree's will require 2 tags which cost $1.50 each ($3.00 per Tree). Tags are sold at City Hall.

Looking to do some good with your real Christmas tree when the season is done? Bring it to the goats of Cox Springs Farm!
t's a healthy and delicious treat for the goats and we are all grateful for the extra food.

Please:

- Only REAL trees (not painted nor sprayed)
- Remove lights, ornaments, wires, tinsel, etc.
- No wreaths
- Leave it by the flagpole
- Please don't drive up the hill or take a self-guided farm tour (our insurance people don't like that).
- Be aware of our overly-friendly dog
- Drop-off anytime at 11114 Cox Springs Rd, Peosta

THANK YOU!

Dubuque County Library

PEOSTA / NICC BRANCH
8342 NICC Drive
Peosta, IA 52068
Phone | 563-556-5110 ext.2224
Email | library@dubcolib.lib.ia.us

January 2023 Program Calendar
January Monthly Calendar

Preschool Story Time: (Ages 2-5) Join Ms. Teresa for a half hour with some reading, rhymes, and socialization. No registration needed.
Peosta/NICC Branch: Tuesdays, 10:30 – 11:00 AM, January 10, 17, 24, 31

Snack on Science: (K – 3rd Grade)
Learn about a science topic and do an edible experiment to go along with it. January's topic will be earthquakes and plate tectonics.
Peosta/NICC Branch: Wednesday, January 25th, 4:30 – 5:15 PM

Prairie League Baseball/Softball Info

2023 Prairie League Baseball and Softball registration is now open. Forms are available at the front desk, or you can sign-up online. Registration deadline is Friday, February 17th.

Online Registration

Gym/Volleyball/Tennis Court Closures

The basketball/volleyball/tennis courts will be closed on the following dates for tournaments:

January 7th
January14th
January 22nd
January 28th
January 29th

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