

CITY OF MORAN



December	January	February
4th Council Meeting @ 7:00pm	1st City Hall Closed	5th Vol. Fire Meeting @ 7:00pm
6th Vol. Fire Meeting @ 7:00pm	2nd Council Meeting @ 7:00pm	7th Council Meeting @ 7:00pm
25th & 26th City Hall Closed	3rd Vol. Fire Meeting @ 7:00pm	14th Valentine's Day



Tuesday Siren Testing

Allen County Communications will be setting off our Storm Sirens every Tuesday,

this is to ensure that our Storm Sirens are working properly and that 911 can help set them off in case of an emergency situation. If the siren sounds longer than normal on Tuesday's at noon don't be alarmed we are just testing for your safety and ours. We Thank you for understanding while we get this sorted out.

Dog Tags On Sale

2018 Dog tags will be available for purchase beginning January 2nd.
Tags for spayed or neutered pets are \$2.00 each, all others are \$4.00 each.
To register your pet and purchase



tags you must provide proof of current rabies vaccination. All dogs 6 months of age or older residing within the city limits are required to wear a current dog tag. Kennel licenses may be purchased at \$10.00 each and are required for pet owner registering 3 or more dogs. The City will hold our annual dog tag/vaccination clinic again in March.



Let's start the new year off right!

Come in to Moran City Hall Monday through Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm and get your membership! Applications can also be found on the City's website at morancity.org just click the

red Membership Form link on the home page. Membership cost is \$10.00 per key fob and \$10.00 per month per house hold. Members with a utility bill from the city have the option of adding the fee to their utility bill and members who don't MUST remember to pay their fee by the 1st of each month. If you have any questions or comments please come by City Hall Monday through Friday or call 620-237-4271.

Note for existing members

If your Key Fob isn't working please give us a call and we can help you resolve that issue.



Contest. Please sign up by December 20th at Moran City Hall. Thrive members will be judging on December 21st and prizes will be awarded.



Happy Holidays

<u>Mayor</u>

Phillip Merkel

Council Members

Bill Bigelow

Chad Lawson

Jim Mueller Kris Smith

<u>City Employees</u>

Jerry Wallis

Taeler Carr Craig Miller Lori Evans Shane Smith

Michael Stodgell

Sewer Rates

The City of Moran would like to take this opportunity to remind our residents that the month of December is a good time to begin conserving on your water use. Why conserve water during the winter months? This sounds strange at this time of year, but the City bases the yearly residential sewer rates on the average household water used during the months of December, January and February. We then apply the average used to set your annual sewer rate. This rate is effective from March 1st, 2018 to February 1st, 2019.

Sewer rates for 2017 remain unchanged with the average customer being charged with using between 3000-4000 thousand gallons of sewer use per month. This results in an average monthly sewer bill of \$28.00-\$32.00. The staff at City Hall will contact accounts showing an abnormal water use before establishing an annual rate. When you receive your March utility bill, please take the time to review your new sewer rate. Please feel free to contact City Hall with any questions (620) 237-4271

Winter Weather Safety Tips for Pets

It's a common belief that dogs and cats are more resistant than people to cold weather because of their fur, but it's untrue. Like people, cats and dogs are susceptible to frostbite and hypothermia. The following tips are to help prevent your four-legged friends from getting sick this winter season!

- **1.) Keep Pets Inside**—Longer-haired and thick coated dog breeds, such as huskies and other dogs bred for colder climates, are more tolerant of cold weather; but no pet should be left outside for long periods of time in below-freezing temperatures.
- **2.) Provide Choices**—Just like you, pets prefer comfortable sleeping places and may change their location based on their need for more or less warmth. Give them some safe options to allow them to vary their sleeping place to adjust to their needs.
- **3.)** Make some NOISE—A warm vehicle engine can be an appealing heat source for outdoor and feral cats, but it can be deadly. Check underneath your car, bang on the hood, and honk the horn before starting the engine to encourage feline hitchhikers to abandon their comfy spot under the your hood.
- **4.)** Play Dress Up—If your dog has a short coat or seems bothered by the cold, consider a sweater or dog coat. Have several on hand so you can use a dry sweater or coat each time your dog goes outside.



Need a special gift for your friends or family? One that will bring joy--not for one Christmas but many more to come--and support a vital part of our community? Consider a *Gift Membership* of \$100 to The Marmaton Market Food Co-op! (We will even mail it to your special person.) Contact one of our resident elves at lmanes@embargmail.com or 620-237-4522.

This is truly the gift that keeps on giving. Happy Holidays!