



June 2024 City News

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First Care Taskforce Values

The First Care Taskforce purpose is to lead the transition for uninterrupted high-quality, core healthcare services in the Greater Fosston area, engaging members of the Fosston community and nearby communities, assessing solutions and partners, and keeping the public informed throughout the arbitration and subsequent transition periods.

The taskforce is driven by four core values: local decision-making, staff retention, specialty services, and patient choice. While all of these values are extremely important, local decision making is the one that undergirds the other three, and which will make the greatest difference in Fosston’s healthcare future.

Restoring local decision making will remove the current layers of bureaucracy and enable the local healthcare system to do what is right for the community it serves.

Taskforce members are meeting regularly and working behind the scenes to prepare for what will follow the arbitration ruling. To that end, four sub-committees have been established. Working committees include communications, human resources, governance, and operational viability.

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Water Saving Tips:

- Lawns only need watering every five to seven days in the summer. A hearty rain can delay this up to two weeks.
- Water lawns during the early morning when temperatures are lowest to prevent evaporation.
- Make sure sprinklers water the lawn and shrubs, not paved areas.

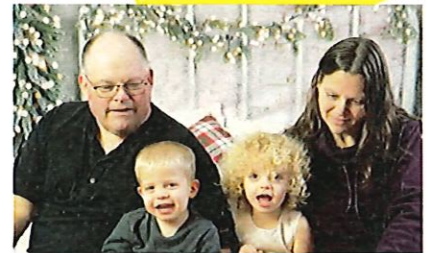
Coming Events:

- City Council Meeting—Monday, June 10, 2024, 7pm
- Fireworks in Fosston—Saturday, July 6th at dusk
- Crazy Days –Friday, July 26 & Saturday, July 27th



Employee Spotlight on

James London



Meet the city staff that serve you!

Department: Street

Date started at city: 1995

Favorite part of working at the city: “visiting with the residents, working with the guys and operating equipment.”

Fun Fact about James: James became a dad at 44!

Hobbies/activities: wood-working, hunting, fishing & family time.

Motto: *If it aint broke don't fix it.*

Build/Rehab Fosston

Building a new home ?

**Build in Fosston and
receive up to \$10,000 in rebates!**

\$2,500 available for rehabbing a home in Fosston!

Are you a DIY'er? Looking for a way to earn some extra cash? Want to improve your neighborhood? There are currently several opportunities to fix up a home in Fosston and earn some extra cash!

Homes eligible for the program—

- ◆ Have been vacant for at least 12 months
- ◆ Needs significant repairs to restore or renew the home for occupancy
- ◆ Financing options available*

www.findyourplaceinfosston.com

NEWS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Did you know that Fosston has an ordinance that states you cannot have abnormal or excessive noise from your vehicle? You must have a muffler that effectively prevents abnormal or excessive noise. Usually in the Spring we deal with more complaints on loud vehicles and careless driving and this Spring has been no exception. This is a safety concern as we see a large increase in children walking (and running) uptown, to the parks, and in our neighborhoods. Please slow down as you are driving and look for kids crossing the street. Help us keep our community safe. One bad decision to speed, or by being distracted, could change your life or a child's life forever.



By ordinance, your pets do need to be registered with the city and you do need to provide up to date vaccination records. Also please note, your pets need to be always secured on your own property and cannot leave your property without being on a leash. We have been warning about this for many months now and we will begin issuing citations to those not in compliance. Not having up to date vaccinations is a major concern for all of us and could result in your pet being seized.

Reminder to please lock your vehicles, sheds and outbuildings. The warm weather also brings more people out walking at night and unfortunately a few may be looking for easy access into cars and buildings to steal your belongings.

Did you know the police department does Vacation House Watch? Whether you are going on vacation or just going to be away from your property for a few days let the Fosston Police Department know and we will watch over the property until you return. This allows you to have peace of mind while enjoying time away!

Sump Pumps -

Please be reminded that according to city ordinance no person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any storm water, ground water, roof runoff, yard drainage, yard fountain, pond overflow, or any substance other than sanitary sewage into the sanitary collection system. This is especially important this time of year with the excessive precipitation.

If your sump pump is discharging directly into the city's sanitary sewer it should be disconnected immediately.