

# City of Lawton

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Water meter readings are taken around the 20th day of each month.  
Invoices for water, sewer, garbage and landfill are sent on the 1st of each month.  
These invoices are delinquent if not paid by the 20th of that same month.  
A 10% Late Fee will be assessed on all delinquent accounts.

## Thank you Lawton Fire Department Centennial Celebration

*Was a huge success with the pancake breakfast, parade, water fights, fireworks and dance!!! Many thanks for the great support of the community. The firemen appreciate all and will continue to be of service to the citizens of Lawton.*



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### CITY ELECTION

**November 8, 2011**

Three Council seats and the Mayoral seat are up for election this year. Those positions are currently held by Don Grigg, Perry Ludwig, Rick Schorg and Jeff Nitzschke respectively.

Nomination papers may be picked up at City Hall, the County Courthouse, or online at the Secretary of State website. They must be brought back after August 29, but before 5:00 p.m. September 22.

Council members are elected on a staggering four-year term. With five Council members serving the City, either two or three are elected at each City election. Once elected, they will serve for four years.

The Mayor is elected to a two-year term. Therefore, this position is on the ballot at each City election.

The City Election this year will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 8, from noon until 8:00 p.m. at the Friendship Center, 300 Cedar Street. All residents of Lawton are encouraged to come out and vote.

### Please Help Your Emergency Responders!!



Please be sure your house numbers are visible and easy to read from the street. It is recommended that you use numbers at least 4"

to 6" in height. It is not necessary that they are reflective in nature, however they should be a contrasting color from the background to aid emergency responders.

Also, if possible, PLEASE turn on a porch light or other outdoor light to bring attention to your home in an emergency situation.

## Closed Labor Day

## Sept. 5th

A smile is worth nothing until you give it away.

**Holiday Schedule for Garbage and  
Recycling Pickup on Labor Day**

*Monday, September 5, 2011, is supposed to be a regular garbage and recycle day for Lawton.  
However, since that is Labor Day, both services will have an alternative pickup.*

**Garbage** will be picked up the Saturday BEFORE , on **September 3.**

**Recycles** will be picked up the Wednesday AFTER, on **September 7.**

Woodbury County Library  
625 Main St., Merville, IA

Story hour is held every Thursday, 10:00 a.m.

**Hours: Mon. & Wed. 8 am-6 pm**  
**Tues., Thurs. & Fri. 8 am-5 pm**  
**Sat. 8 am-1 pm**

Bookmobile in Lawton  
2:00—Old Grocery Store Antiques

Sept. 9th	Jan. 6th
Oct. 7th	Feb. 3rd
Nov. 4th	Mar. 2nd & 23rd
Dec. 2nd	Apr. 27th

## Water Meter Replacement

Water meter replacement is still underway with more than two-thirds of the town's meters replaced. The city employees will continue to work on this project.

If your meter has not been replaced by the end of the month, please contact the city clerk at 944-5960 to set up an appointment to get this done. Your help in this matter will make the project go much more smoothly.

**Thanks everyone on this matter.**



## Tree Trimming

Residents are reminded to keep trees trimmed that overhang sidewalks and streets.

Trees must be trimmed at least 8' above sidewalks and at least 15' above roadways and streets.

Trimmed branches and trees can be taken to the tree pile west of the city shed on West Main Street. If you hire the service done, your tree trimmer may also take branches to this pile. However, he does need to stop at City Hall for a permit. There is no charge for the permit, but we do need to know tree services are working for a local resident.

## ATTENTION CITY OF LAWTON

### LANDOWNERS

Pursuant to City Ordinance Code, Section 3-11-3, it is the duty of the owner or owners to cut or destroy weeds or grass that have exceeded twelve inches in height before they bloom or seed, and in any event, by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month from May through October.

Failure to comply with the provisions of Section 3-11-3 will result in the City Weed Commissioner mowing, cutting or removing the weeds, and the cost of the labor and material being billed to the landowner. Such cost will not be less than \$50 and is to be paid to the City of Lawton within thirty days. Failure to pay within 30 days will result in costs being added to property taxes.