



# City of Lawton

**August 2013**

**712-944-5960**

**www.lawtoniowa.com**

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.

## CITY ELECTION - November 5, 2013

Two Council seats and the Mayoral seat are up for election this year. Those positions are currently held by Reed Burson, Terry Masching 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 between August 26 and 5:00 p.m. September 19.

Council members are elected on a staggering four-year term. That is, two seats are elected this year, three seats will be elected in 2015. Council members serve for four years. The Mayor is elected to a two-year term.

## Upcoming Street Work

The City has awarded a contract to Tim Harris Construction of Homer, Nebraska for the removal and replacement of the Cedar and Birch Streets intersection. This is the intersection north of Pronto, on the west side of Western Iowa Telephone.

There will be detours in place as Cedar Street will not be passable from the north or south in front of Western Iowa Telephone. You will still be able to access Western Iowa Telephone from East Birch Street however.

A start date has not yet been determined, however the city is asking all construction work be completed by October 31, 2013.

Please watch the electronic informational sign downtown and this newsletter for updated status reports on the project.

## August 2013

This star indicates "Recycle Day"  
 (Use Gray/Pink carts  
 or small green tubs only)

**Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat**

				1	2	3
				Garbage/ Yard Waste		
4	5	6 ★	7	8	9	10
		City Council meet 5:00		Garbage/ Yard Waste		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				Garbage/ Yard Waste		
18	19	20 ★	21	22	23	24
				Garbage/ Yard Waste		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
				Garbage/ Yard Waste		

**Remember to call**

**811**

**before digging**

**It's the law!**

### GRAY - Recyclables Only

Picked up every other Tuesday  
 Set at curb by 7:00 a.m.



Paper, newspaper, cardboard, tin cans, plastic, aluminum cans.

**NO GLASS**

### RED - Garbage

Picked up every Thursday  
 Set at curb by 7:00 a.m.



Garbage only. Please do not put grass clippings inside the RED cans.

### GREEN - Yard Waste

Picked up every Thursday  
 Set at curb by 7:00 a.m.



Grass clippings.  
 Picked up April through early November.

**Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one** ~ Malcom Forbes

# Lawton Housing Program Update

**Roof Leaking? Expensive Utility Bills? Damaged Sidewalks or Dead Trees Causing a Hazard? See if you qualify!**

The City of Lawton's Housing Program has been going strong this summer. Three projects have been completed, plus several others are underway. There is still funding available, so apply now if interested!

The program will provide up to \$24,999 per project in grant funds to assist homeowners rehabilitate their home. Homeowners must meet gross annual income guidelines, which are established by the State of Iowa at 80% of the area median income. The property must be located within the Lawton city limits and the owner must own AND occupy the home as his/her primary residence.

Eligible repairs include: repair or replacement of HVAC systems; electrical and plumbing repairs; roof, gutter, windows, siding, and doors repair or replacement; energy efficiency improvements such as insulation and weather stripping; repairs to improve safety such as replacing dead bolt locks, installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, testing for lead-based paint; improvements to make the home more handicap accessible; some exterior repairs to remove hazards such as repair or replacement of damaged concrete, teardown of dilapidated sheds or garages, and removal of dead trees; some interior improvements such as repair of walls, ceilings, and drywall, and several other types of repairs and improvements.

2013 HUD INCOME LIMITS – 80% Area Median Income								
# in household	1 Person	2 Persons	3 Persons	4 Persons	5 Persons	6 Persons	7 Persons	8 Persons
Income Limit	\$33,500	\$38,300	\$43,100	\$47,850	\$51,700	\$55,550	\$59,350	\$63,200

**To request the Application and Information Packet, please contact  
Judi Meyer at 712-224-8904**

**or  
P.O. Box 1077, Sioux City, IA 51102-1077**

## AMERICAN FLAGS



Do you have an American flag that is torn, tattered or faded...and in need of replacement? Don't forget about the flag depository located in front of City Hall. This box is a recycled US Postal box that has been very carefully repainted red, white and blue. On the front is the American Legion logo.

Our American Legion can also replace your worn flags. Two sizes are available for purchase: 3'x5' and 4'x6'. The flags are very high quality with metal grommets for proper hanging. New flags may be purchased at City Hall during regular office hours. Currently flag prices are \$14 for 3'x5' and \$18.50 for 4'x6'. Make checks payable to: **American Legion Post #718.**

### Water costs money...don't waste it!!

A continuous leak would waste water in the amounts shown below

Diameter of Stream	Gallons Lost Per Quarter	Gallons Lost Per Month	Additional Cost per Month
 1/4"	1,181,500	393,833	\$1,004.27
 3/16"	666,000	222,000	\$566.10
 1/8"	296,000	98,667	\$251.60
 1/16"	74,000	24,667	\$62.90

### Pet Tags Are Now Delinquent

All dogs and cats at least 3 months of age must be licensed in Lawton. Cost of licensing is \$5 for spayed or neutered pets and \$10 if they have not been spayed or neutered. Most times the rabies certificate will tell us if the pet has been unsexed.

Call City Hall or stop in if you have any questions about licensing. We will need to see your pets' CURRENT rabies certificate unless we already have it on file.

A \$3/month/pet fee will be assessed to owners not having pets properly licensed according to City Code.