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CITY OF PELICAN RAPIDS News

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CALENDAR

COUNCIL

MEETINGS:

June 9, 4:30 pm

June 30, 4:30 pm

*notice time change

PLANNING

COMMISSION:

June 29, 5:00 pm

PARK BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING

June 29 5:00 pm via Zoom

Summer is here! Children will be playing and riding their bikes around town. Please SLOW DOWN, drive carefully and be aware of the increased activities around town!

Pelican Rapid's City Parks

Two main parks border the Pelican River where it runs through the east side of town in Pelican Rapids. One side is E.L. Peterson Park and the other side is Sherin Memorial Park.

E.L. Peterson Park has a fishing pier above the Mill Pond Dam, a large picnic shelter and has a large playground with a section that caters to pre-school age children.

The two parks are connected by a walkway that crosses the river on a large suspension bridge, a perfect location to see the river up close and take beautiful pictures of that part of the city. Sherin Memorial Park can be accessed by the bridge or by approaching from 108 East. Sherin Park has spaces for RVs to park and has access to water for campers. There are beautiful, paved walking paths and covered pavilion. There are also places to fish right from the river-bank. A smaller playground is also in this park.

Besides the two major parks, a more recent addition is the Thompson Memorial Park located on the north side of Pelican Rapids. Thompson Park consists of a modern playground and a soccer field, a great place to run around and stretch your legs.

Our newest park is Veterans' Memorial River Park located by the Public Library. It is a great spot to rest and enjoy the river.

CAMPGROUND FEES

Tent camping or no electricity	\$15
Camping with electricity	\$20 (10 sites)

Please call 218-863-7076 for more information and reservations.



2020 Pelican Rapids Calendar of Events

International Friendship Festival	Cancelled
Pelican Fest	Cancelled
Art In The Park	Cancelled
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day ~ City Public Works Facility	10:00am to 2:00pm August 5

How to Keep Grass Green and Achieve a Healthy Lawn

Tip No. 1: Adjust your cutting height to the time of year. For cool-climate grasses, use a 1-1/2 in. cutting height for the first mowing of the year to remove dead grass and allow more sunlight to reach the crowns of the grass plants. Raise the blade during the heat of summer to two inches or more. Then lower the blade back to 1-1/2 in. for the last cutting of the year. For warm-climate grasses, these heights will be about 1/2 in. lower.

Tip No. 2: Use a Sharp Mower Blade.

Tip No. 3: A few good soakings are better than lots of light sprinklings. Lawns generally require 1 to 2 in. of water per week from you or Mother Nature, applied at three- or four-day intervals.

Tip No. 4: Mow only the top one-third of the grass blade (and don't rake up the clippings).

Tip No. 5: With fertilizers and weed killers, timing is everything. Attack weeds in the early spring and summer before they have a chance to develop deep root systems, go to seed or reproduce. Fertilize in early spring to jump-start root development. Fall feedings help repair summer damage and spur the root growth that goes on for several weeks even after the top growth stops, helping grass survive the winter. Light feedings in between help maintain healthy growth.

Tip No. 6: Aerate your lawn to help it 'breathe'.



**Would YOU
Drink This Water?**

Become Better Informed about Wellhead Protection

The City is working cooperatively with homeowners to implement storm water Best Management Practices to help protect drinking water supplies.

Steps YOU can take to protect your drinking water:

- *Properly dispose of household products such as insecticides, pesticides, paints, used motor oil, etc. Don't pour them on the ground or into storm drains.
- *Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly and in the recommend amounts.
- *Sweep up litter and debris from sidewalks, driveways, and parking lots, especially around storm drains. Compost or mulch yard waste.
- *Pick up pet waste and dispose of it properly.
- *Use a commercial car wash that treats or recycles its wastewater, or wash your car on your yard so the water infiltrates into the ground.
- *Dispose of oil filters, used auto fluids, and batteries at designated drop-off sites or recycling locations.
- *Don't over-water your lawn.

For more information contact:

City of Pelican Rapids
218-863-6571



Learn ways to protect your drinking water at: www.mrwa.com



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DRINKING WATER

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE AND ANNUAL REPORT

Annually the City of Pelican Rapids completes water testing in order to provide our residents and water customers with information about the quality of our drinking water. The results of the testing are recorded in two documents; a Consumer Confidence Report and an Annual Drinking Water Quality Report. The Consumer Confidence Report can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/2019prccr> If you would like a paper copy of either report you can request a copy by calling city hall at 218-863-6571.

Información importante. Si usted no entiende que alguien lo traduzca para usted ahora.

PARKING IN DOWNTOWN PELICAN RAPIDS

With tourist season here, we who live in our community of Pelican Rapids, see our downtown business district hustling and bustling with the traffic of our welcomed visitors and shoppers of whom we call our guests.

We welcome these visitors and shoppers as our guests as they help to support our city and community economies, which in turn helps us all to prosper as a small mid-west city. As a favor to our guests, we as business owners, business employees and apartment dwellers need to maintain our small city etiquette to our guests by not parking our vehicles on the main street of Pelican Rapids.

Main street store owners, Please use our public and private parking lots to park your vehicles, which will show our small city courtesy and which will help to promote more business transactions in our downtown business district.

If we all do our part to make parking more convenient to our shoppers and guests, we all can reap in the social and financial rewards of our actions.

It is against City Ordinance to deposit leaves or grass clippings on city streets or in the street gutters.

By mowing the first two rounds back onto your property and not into the street the grass won't wash into the storm drains and clog them.

Please do not rake leaves or blow lawn clippings into the city streets.



**A MESSAGE
FROM
EMERGENCY
PERSONNEL**

Please make sure that you have house numbers visible to the street. If there is an emergency at your home, emergency vehicles need to know for sure which house is yours. **Sometimes every second counts!**

