

# CITY OF OAKLAND CITY NEWS

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## CITY OF OAKLAND

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#### CITY HALL HOURS:

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri.  
8 a.m. to 12 noon  
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Thursday

8 a.m. to 12 noon

### COUNCIL MEETING

The regular Oakland City Council meetings are on the second Monday of every month. Meetings start at 7:00 p.m. and are held at City Hall. Meetings are open to the public.

### SNOW ORDINANCE REMINDER



The City of Oakland will be enforcing Ordinance 69.10 Snow Removal – No person shall park, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area during snow removal operations unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has ceased to fall (Code of Iowa, 321.236[1])

**Emergency Snow Route Signs are installed and tickets will be issued!!**

### Tax Levy and Water, Sewer and Garbage Rate Comparison of area communities.

City by Ranking (Lowest to Highest Rates)	FY2009/2010 TAX LEVY RATE (Per \$1,000 Assessed Value)	Annual-ized Property Tax on (\$100,000 valuation)	Monthly cost of water per 3,000 gallon of water	Monthly cost of sewer per 3,000 gallon of water	Monthly Basic Residential Garbage Rate	Total monthly utility bill	Annual-ized Utility Bill
*Oakland	8.10	\$ 810.00	\$20.50	\$ 5.35	\$ 9.00	\$34.85	\$418.20
Treynor	9.59	\$ 959.00	\$17.20	\$14.00	\$ 10.35	\$41.55	\$498.60
Griswold	13.48	\$1,348.00	\$28.14	\$29.04	N/A	\$57.18	\$686.16
Avoca	14.07	\$1,407.00	\$21.94	\$ 9.87	\$ 12.75	\$44.56	\$534.72
Carson	16.31	\$1,631.00	\$20.30	\$25.20	\$ 12.96	\$58.46	\$701.52

**\*Oakland has a lime softening plant that eliminates the need of water softeners in homes.**

### EAGLE PROJECT

Oakland is extremely proud to dedicate the newly built monument to honor our veterans of the armed forces of the United States of America.

The dedication will be on Sunday, November 8th, 2009, at 1:30p.m., with a free will offering lunch served at 11:30a.m., prior to the dedication, at the Oakland Community Building.

The project cost is around \$60,000. We have received \$53,618 in donations, to date.

Donations or questions can be directed or mailed to:  
Jim Johnson, P.O. Box 367, Oakland, IA 51560.



**Daylight Savings Time ends, Sunday, November 1st, 2009**



The lighting of the Christmas tree will be held, Sunday, December 6th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., at the tree beside the gazebo, off of Highway 59 & 6 and Linden Street. A lunch will be served by the Pool committee at 5:00 p.m. at the Community Building, with Santa at 5:30 p.m., sponsored by the Chamber and local businesses.

PET NEWS:

PET LICENCES

All owners of Cat(s) and Dog(s) over the age of six (6) months must procure a dog or cat license from the Clerk *on or before July 1st, each year.*

**Fees:** \$3.00 for spayed or neutered. \$15.00 for non-spayed or neutered. Proof of Rabies is required before a license can be issued.

ANIMAL NUSIANCES

**City Ordinance 55.06 "At Large Prohibited."** It is unlawful for any owner to allow a dog to run at large within the corporate limits of the City."



**City Ordinance 55.08 "Annoyance or disturbance."** It is unlawful for the owner of a dog to allow or permit such dog to cause serious annoyance or disturbance to any person or persons by frequent and habitual howling, yelping, barking, or otherwise; or, by running after or chasing person, bicycles, automobiles or other vehicles." **Impound Costs:** Impound costs are one-hundred (\$100.00) plus the food and care charged by the veterinarian. **Please note** proof of rabies and proof of license must be given before animal can be released.

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MEET THE CANDIDATES!!

The Chamber is sponsoring a night to meet the candidates running for City Mayor and Council on Sunday, November 1, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Oakland Community Building. The voting public is invited to attend.

**ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES** Per Ordinance 75.03—No person shall operate an ATV or snowmobile within the City in violation of the provisions of Chapter 321G of the Code of Iowa or rules established by the Natural Resource Commission of the Department of Natural Resources governing their registration, numbering, equipment and manner of operation.

**DEFINITIONS—**“All-terrain vehicle” or ‘ATV’ means a motorized flotation-tire vehicle with not less than three (3) low pressure tires, but not more than six (6) low pressure tires, or a two-wheeled, off-road motorcycle, that is limited in engine displacement to less than eight hundred (800) cubic centimeters and in total dry weight to less than seven hundred fifty (750) pounds and that has a seat or saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering control. Two-wheeled, off-road motorcycles shall be considered all-terrain vehicles only for the purpose of titling and registration and not for the purpose of regulation on snow or ice.



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Automatic Withdrawal:

*You can have your bill automatically withdrawn from your checking account on the 15th of each month. You will continue to receive your normal bill and stub each month. This is available for any and all banks. Please call City Hall to sign up.*

BUILDING PERMITS

Are you going to be building within City limits or be buying or building a storage shed? If so, you will most likely need a building permit.

Call or stop by City Hall to obtain a building permit application.

**Chautauqua Park Reservations**

Call City Hall at 482-6811 to reserve the shelter or ball fields for your event. There is **no cost**.

**Also: Call City Hall for Community Building Rentals. Dates are available.**

PARK SAFETY !

REMINDER TO PARENTS!

**Please make sure that your children are supervised when playing in the park.**



**Garbage:** Every resident is allowed 6—32 gallon cans, per week. Anything over, will be charged extra. *Larger cans* will not be picked up. Garbage must be put out prior to 6 a.m.

**Yard Waste:** can be disposed of at the **City Compost pile** located 1/4 mile west of town on G42. This is only for grass clippings, leaves and weeds. Bags must be bio-degradable.

*Please Help us keep Oakland clean by keeping your property free from nuisances such as: junk and junk vehicles, weeds, and uncontrolled animals.*

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