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Social Circle Community News

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WATER AND SEWER PRICING **EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024** WATER FEES RATE SEWER FEES RATE First 2000 Gallons First 2000 Gallons (Inside City) \$27.46 \$24.11 (Inside City) Each Additional 1000 Gallons Each Additional 1000 Gallons \$12.74 \$12.05 (Inside City) (Inside City) First 2000 Gallons (Outside First 2000 Gallons \$41.16 \$36.16 City) (Outside City) Each Additional 1000 Gallons Each Additional 1000 Gallons \$19.09 \$18.08 (Outside City) (Outside City)



Unicorn and Dinosaur Day

Join us on Saturday, August 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for the Downtown Unicorn and Dinosaur Day. Participating businesses will have unicorn and dinosaurthemed treats and prizes! For more information, contact the Welcome Center at 770-464-1866.

Utility Services & Water/ Sewer Rate Updates

Effective July 1, 2024, Water and Sewer rates will be reinstated at the structure held prior to July 2020. Instead of being charged per 1000 gallons used initially, there will be a base rate for the first 0-2000 gallons used. Also, Sanitation services cannot accept waste that does not fit in the trash can. You can pay utility bills at City Hall's drive-thru Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., online at social circlega.gov, or by phone at 1-877-840-5562. The night deposit is open 24/7. Please do not deposit cash. The last day to pay past-due balances is August 20. The cut-off date is August 21. The due date for current balances is August 29. Late fees will be added to bills on August 30. If you have any questions, please call City Hall at 770-464-2380.

W. H. Stanton Memorial Library

Adult Coloring – Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. Homeschool Hour – Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. Quilting Club – Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. Children's Music & Movements – 10:30 a.m. 8/1 & 8/15 Tales for Tots – 10:30 a.m. 8/8 & 8/22 Dungeons & Dragons Pre-Teen – 2:00 p.m. 8/4



Meetings for City Council, Municipal Court, Commissions, and Boards

August 1 at 12:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. 2024 Property Tax Public Hearing will be held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

August 1 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor and Council hold work session in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail. August 9 at 9:00 a.m. Downtown Development Authority meet in City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail. August 12, Deadline to submit applications for the August 27 Planning Commission Meeting.

August 13 at 8:00 a.m. Main Street Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

August 13 at 6:00 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission meets in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail. August 20 at 6:30 p.m. Mayor and City Council meet in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

August 20 at 6:30 p.m. 2024 Property Tax Adoption and Public Hearing will be held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

August 21 at 1:00 p.m. Municipal Court held in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail. August 26, Deadline to submit applications for the August 13 Historic Preservation Meeting. August 27 at 6:00 p.m. Planning Commission meet in the City Community Room, 138 E. Hightower Trail.

Check Underground Gas Pipe

As your natural gas distributor, the City of Social Circle must make safety recommendations regarding underground natural gas piping. The City operates its gas system with an emphasis on safety. We are required to design, operate, and maintain our underground gas pipeline system in accordance with prescribed federal safety standards. The gas department does not maintain the gas piping downstream of the gas meter. This is the responsibility of the customer who owns that piping. If the buried pipe is not properly maintained, it may be subject to corrosion - if the piping is metallic – or leakage. To ensure the continued safe and reliable operation of these lines, the buried piping should be checked periodically. You or the building owner should contact a licensed plumber or heating contractor to assist in locating and inspecting buried gas piping. If any unsafe condition is found, repairs must be made immediately. For more information, visit www.socialcirclega.gov or call City Hall at 770-464-2380. Please disregard this notice if you do not have buried piping beyond the gas meter.

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Concerts in Frienship Park

This concert series is sponsored by Critters Outdoor Pizza, Deep South Cattle Company, Tin Plate and Willys Mex Mex Grill. Saturday, August 10 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Josh Millwood and band will perform. Saturday, August 24 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. the King Rollers will be performing.



Help Keep Our Sewers Healthy

When you dump oil and grease down the drain, the liquid moves through the pipes, cools, and hardens, clinging to the sides of the pipe walls. This causes the pipe's circumference to narrow. Eventually, the hardened grease can form a blockage that blocks pipes in your home or throughout the City, causing sewer backups. Please put used fats, oil and grease into containers and put them into garbage bags. Flushable wipes are another big cause of sewer blockages and backups. Put flushable wipes into the garbage to keep our sewers healthy.



30th Annual Friendship Festival

The City's signature Frienship Festival will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024. If you are interested in becoming a vendor, please fill out the Friendship Festival 2024 Application, which can be found at https://www.socialcirclega.gov/departments/mainstreet. The application link can be found in the content box on the left-hand side of the Downtown/Main Street Department page.Applications can be e-mailed to Downtown Director Amber McKibben at amckibben@socialcirclega.gov, or taken to the City of Social Circle Welcome Center. Vendor spaces cost \$100.00. One booth size is 12 x 12. Deadline for receipt of application and fees is 5:00 p.m, Friday, September 13. Hope to see you there!