

Castle and Bridge Installed at the Wyoming Dog Park

Tails are wagging in happiness at the Wyoming Dog Park, where new equipment was installed this spring.

A large “canine castle” and smaller “top dog bridge,” made from low-maintenance durable recycled plastic now greet the city’s four-legged friends. The new equipment cost \$5,178; funding came from the Wyoming Parks and Recreation millage as well as through annual Wyoming Dog Park membership fees, which are used for the park’s maintenance and operations.

Founded on the vision of a citizen group that petitioned the Wyoming Parks and Recreation

Commission to explore a dedicated area for pets, the Wyoming Dog Park opened in 2009. The 2.2-acre enclosed park, featuring areas for large and small dogs, is located just north of Kimble Field in Wyoming’s Marquette Park. Entry into the dog park area is controlled by a key fob access to ensure pets are vaccinated and licensed, creating a safe environment for owners and their pets.

“The Wyoming Dog Park is the result of a successful collaboration between the Citizens for Dog Park Committee and the City of Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department” said Rebecca Rynbrandt, the city’s director of com-

munity services. “We are excited to incorporate this new equipment to the park, which will enhance the experience for our canine members.”

The Wyoming Dog Park is open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Membership is required and can be purchased at the Parks and Recreation office, 1155 28th St. SW. Proof of required medical records and a current dog license are necessary for membership. The annual fee is \$12 for Wyoming residents and \$24 for non-residents, and is renewable on Jan. 1 each year. For more information, call 530-3164.

MAYOR'S

Message



In May, the Wyoming City Council approved the city’s \$105.4 million budget for 2017. Our city runs extremely efficiently thanks to the good work done by the city manager and our city employees. They serve our community admirably while working to maintain a healthy and sustainable financial position.

The 2017 budget includes no increases in local millage rates or water and sewer rates.

In 2017, we will continue to invest in public safety fire services. We also included a number of parks capital outlays. These include tree planting throughout various parks, softball field updates in Palmer Park and Kelloggsville Park as well as updates and improvements at the Wyoming Senior Center and the Kent District Library Wyoming Branch.

Compared to similar cities we maintain a very low cost per capita for the services we provide. Our primary focus is ensuring the safety of residents and city employees. We are also committed to investing in technology and training to continue to provide better service and greater value. This year’s budget reflects our work to maximize every tax dollar we receive.

I encourage you to be involved and be informed by checking out other budget details, which can be found on the City’s website at wyomingmi.gov.

Mayor Jack A. Poll

News Briefs

REGISTER AS A PERMANENT ABSENTEE VOTER

Are you 60 years of age or older? You can register as a permanent absentee voter. You may also request an absentee ballot for the August and November elections if you meet any of the following criteria:

- You expect to be absent from the community in which you registered for the entire time the polls are open on election day
- You are physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another
- You cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of your religion
- You have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where you reside
- You cannot attend the polls because you are confined to jail awaiting arraignment or trial

Contact the City Clerk's office at 530-7296 to register as a permanent absentee voter, to request an absentee ballot or for more information.

ONLINE BILL PAY

Utility customers can now receive water and sewer bills by email! To sign up, contact the Utility Billing Department at 530-7389.

SEASONAL HIRING

Do you know someone looking for seasonal employment during the upcoming spring and summer seasons? The City of Wyoming is looking for dependable, hard-working seasonal employees in the public works, utilities and parks and recreation departments. Open positions will be posted on the City's website and applications will be accepted online. Visit the City website at wyomingmi.gov or contact the human resources department at 530-7241 for additional information.

ASSESSOR'S BOARD OF REVIEW SEEKS MEMBERS

The City Assessors office is taking applications for two positions on the Board of Review. One member must be a licensed Realtor and both must be registered electors of the City. The Board of Review meets three times in the year: March, July and December. Members are responsible for reviewing and correcting the assessment roll. For further information call 530-7231.

LIBRARY

The library will be closed on Sundays during the summer, beginning on May 29. Sunday service will resume after the Labor Day weekend on Sept. 11.

An adult book club is held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room. June's selection is "Round House," by Louise Erdrich with "The Zookeeper's Wife," by Diane Ackerman in July.

Launch your best summer yet with KDL's Summer Fun Kick Off outdoor carnival from 2:30-4 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7. Sign up for family summer reading programs, play games for prizes and enjoy lots more carnival-style fun.

For further details on these and the library's many programs, stop in to pick up a program guide, check out www.kdl.org or call 784-2007.

Telephone Numbers

Mayor's Office	530-7227
City Manager.....	530-3173
City Clerk	530-7296
Police Department.....	530-7300
Fire Department	530-7250
Public Works	530-7260
Utilities	261-3550
Planning & Community	
Development.....	530-7258
Parks & Recreation.....	530-3164
Building Inspections.....	530-7285
Assessor	530-7231
District Court.....	257-9814
Treasurer	530-7280
Utility Billing.....	530-7389
Wyoming Senior Center.....	530-3190
Wyoming Public Library.....	784-2007

Meetings

City Council Meeting | on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

City Council Work Sessions | on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Planning Commissions Meetings | on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Zoning Board Of Appeals | on the first and third Monday afternoons of the month at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Parks & Recreation Commission | on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the West Conference Room

Wyoming City Council

Jack Poll, Mayor
 Sam Bolt, Mayor Pro tem and Council Member-at-Large
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