



CITY QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

JULY 2016
Summer Issue



UPCOMING DATES

Council Meetings at Eyota City Hall: 7 pm
 View on Charter Channel 180 & HBC Channel 19

July 14 & 28
August 11 & 25
September 8 & 22
October 13 & 27

Park Board Meetings, 7 pm at City Hall:

July 13
August 10
September 14

EDA Meetings, 5pm at Arbor Gardens:

July 28
August 25
September 22
October 27

City Hall is closed:

July 4
September 5
November 24 & 25

Eyota Days!
JULY 11—17

KEEP IN TOUCH:

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- Fax: 507-545-2235
- Email: eyota@cityofeyota.com
- Facebook: [Eyota.MN](https://www.facebook.com/Eyota.MN)
- Website: eyota.govoffice.com
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MINNESOTA DESIGN TEAM VISIT brings new ideas for the future of Eyota



The visit in April is considered a success! For 2 1/2 days the MDT immersed themselves in all that is Eyota. This included staying with local resident host families, presentations from community leaders, eating lunch at local establishments, a bus tour of the city, community pot luck Friday night at the American Legion and ended with a presentation Saturday night at the DE High School. At the community pot luck residents got into groups and answered questions regarding what they would like to see for improvement in Eyota and what they would like to

see as additions, now and possibly in the future. Those answers are where the MDT got their inspiration for their presentation of what future plans, in the short term and long term, could be for Eyota.

You can see the MDT presentation if you go to the home page of City of Eyota web-site. It is also in print form at a few local businesses.

Some of the wants Eyota residents expressed were: more amenities in town, such as a pool, hardware store, movie theater, community center, and connected bike trails.

When asked what their contribution could be: suggestions were volunteering, financial contributions and to help support the local leaders.

One short term idea is already in progress ~ Movies! Equipment for a summer outdoor movie series has been ordered and will hopefully be ready for the first showing in late July. Watch for information on Facebook, web-site and TV.



Construction News

2016 Street and Utility Project

Construction on the west side of town is hard to miss. Original water mains are being replaced, along with sanitary sewer man-holes. New storm sewer with curb and gutters will be installed. Reminder that any new concrete needs time to cure and can not be driven on for five to seven days.

Sixth Street SW Reconstruction

Sixth Street from South Avenue to Madison Avenue will have the blacktop removed/reclaimed and replaced. Construction has been requested to be completed prior to Eyota Days.

Stone Garden Estates

The fifteen parcel single family residential subdivision construction continues. This subdivision is east of Arbor Gardens. Contact John Keefe at 507-932-4656 for more information.

Dollar General

Word is, Dollar General will be opening in mid July.

Construction Updates

Will be posted on Facebook and the City Website as time permits.



Farmers Market Every Tuesday 4-7 at West Side Park

NEW at the market this year: Food Truck! Free recipes & seasonal food sampling at 5pm each Tuesday. Simple recipes you can taste then make at home.



Some upcoming events:

- July 5—Kids Day
- Aug 2—National Night Out

Interested in selling or have questions:

Contact Iris: eyotafarmersmarket@cityofeyota.com

Credit/Debit/EBT Accepted

LIKE Eyota Farmers Market on Facebook



July 5th is Kid's Day at the Eyota Farmers Market. Kids stop at the red welcome tent to get a shopping bag with a free dollar coupon to spend at the market. Get a free snack and a bottle of water. Decorate your shopping bag, create a flower planter or make a flower arrangement to take home, plus other activities.

NEW at the market this year is Hasleiet Concessions. They will be selling from their **food truck** during the summer markets. Stop by and enjoy fresh cut fries, hand-dipped fried cheese curds and more while shopping!

Debit, credit and EBT cards can be used at the market again! Stop at the red tent to get tokens. Double your EBT purchasing power--spend \$10 weekly and get \$10 in matching Market Bucks coupons.

Historic Downtown Eyota Business Incentive Program

The program is meant to enhance and improve the facades of the historic downtown buildings of Eyota. Encouraging building owners to restore existing downtown buildings, for both energy efficiency and to add aesthetic charm to Eyota's historic downtown business district. Eyota Antiques has already benefited by taking advantage of the program.

Funding to support the incentive program comes from the Rochester half a percent sales tax revenue. Building owners, who are eligible borrowers may also apply for \$10,000 in EDA revolving loan funds for the required building owner match. See more details on the city web-site under the business tab. Businesses may also call Eyota City Hall to talk with EDA Director Cathy Enerson to get started on their own building restoration project!



Eyota Antiques 'Face-lift'
They have benefited from the Business Incentive Program

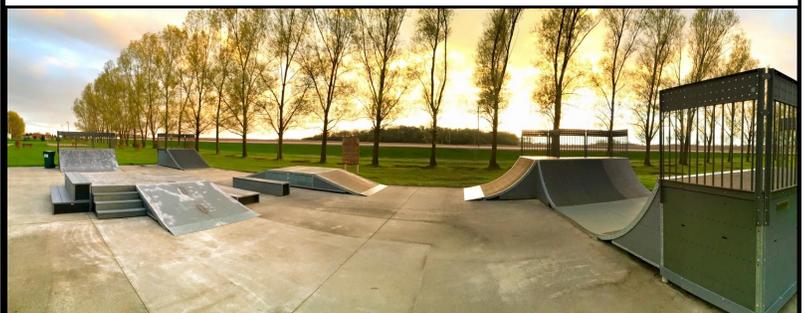
~~~ PARKS SURVEY ~~~

**Eyota Park Board would like YOUR opinion in regards to our parks. Return by 7-11-16.**

- ⇒ We put a link to the survey on the home page of the city web-site. Many have participated in that already. **If you've done that, please do not fill out the enclosed survey**
- ⇒ If you have **not** already completed the on-line survey, please fill out the enclosed survey sheet and drop it off at city hall. You can leave it in the drop box if you're returning it after business hours.

SKATE PARK is now complete!

**Head out to West Side Park and check out the newly finished ramps.**



**2016 COMMUNITY GARDEN  
Plots are Still Available!!**

It's not too late- You still have time to plant a garden. Interested in renting a garden plot? The Community Gardens are located in Sunset Square Park near the American Legion.

**LAST DAY to sign up: Tuesday, July 5**

Cost is \$20 per plot and a rental agreement will need to be signed at City Hall. Plots are a 12 x 16 foot space and water is available right on site. Call City Hall (545-2135) or just stop in!



**WELCOME NEW PLANNING  
COMMISSION MEMBER**  
JOHN CHESNEY

**WELCOME NEW EDA  
MEMBER**  
DARCY HIGGINS

~WELCOME~

**TO EYOTA'S NEWEST BUSINESS**

**EYOTA INDOOR STORAGE:** Opening July 1st. Climate controlled storage. Safe, Secure, Well-lighted and 24/7 access. At the old Petit Building downtown Eyota. For more information call 507-358-6773 or go to [www.Rochesterindoorstorageunits.com](http://www.Rochesterindoorstorageunits.com) for pricing.



**City Announcements:**

**Welcome to Eyota City Hall -Shelly Schosow!** Shelly joined us at City Hall in late March to take the position of Utility Billing Clerk. You might have already talked to her when you've called City Hall or stopped in to pay your water bill. She's been a great addition to the city staff!

**Barking Dogs & Clean Yard:** Please be attentive to your barking dog and dog waste in the yard. Your neighbors windows are now open, so please be considerate by keeping your dog quiet and cleaning the yard. Also—all pets need to be on a leash! Pets caught at large will be charged a \$50 at large fee and \$25/night boarding fee if kept overnight.

**Reporting suspicious activity in town:** Citizens are encouraged to use the Olmsted County Sheriff's office non-emergency number for reporting suspicious activities in city parks or in town. Call: **507-328-6800** **In light of the recent national and international events, be sure to call 911 for an emergency!**

**No Transient Merchants Allowed:** Door-to-door sales are **prohibited** in Eyota. If anyone comes knocking at your door selling, **please alert LAW ENFORCEMENT—non-emergency number: 328-6800.** Exempt: school kids selling for fundraisers.

**LIKE us on Facebook**—Get up-to-date city announcements and emergency info: [facebook.com/Eyota.MN](https://www.facebook.com/Eyota.MN) or search for *City of Eyota, MN Government*.

**License ATV's, UTV's & Golf Carts**

**\$25 license fee good for 2 years!**



**Without a license, recreational vehicles & golf carts driven on city streets will be ticketed.**

**Maximum: 15 MPH**

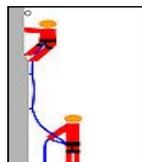
**Remember—no driving in the parks or on the paths**

What's on Wednesdays is a new program through the Eyota Summer Rec Program developed by Director Ryan Scheevel.

These are day trips on a Wednesday, in addition to the scheduled weekly summer rec activities children may take part in, and have an added fee. Four WOW trips had been scheduled for this summer with two remaining in July. Buses are taken to these destinations and always leave from DE High School. The buses are staffed with the Summer Rec Coaching Staff in addition to Director Scheevel. Children do NOT need to be enrolled in the weekly summer rec program to sign up for these trips. Age range to participate are grades K-12 (the grade they will be starting in the fall)

The two June trips to Niagara Cave and Bowlocity were very successful.

**WOW**  
**What's On**  
**Wednesday**



There are still openings for the remaining 2 trips in July and sign up can usually be as late as the day before. Simply call or stop in to Eyota City Hall to see if there is still room available. The July trips are listed below. Join in the fun!

**July 20—Eagle Bluff** \$25 depart at 11:15am and return at 4:30pm.

\*\*Looking for 11 adult volunteers

**July 27—Valley Fair** \$50 depart at 8:00am and return at 7:00pm

\*\*Must be 48 inches tall to go on this trip

Get more details on the city website or call Eyota City Hall

\*\*Trips could be cancelled if there is not enough participation\*\*

**UTILITY RATES RISING**

***To Start on July's Utility billing***

The Dover, Eyota, St. Charles Area Sanitary District increases the amount charged to the City annually. The water rates will increase due to normal operating expense increases and to replace the water mains.

Water and sewer rate increases will be effective July 1, 2016.

**SEWER:**

Base: \$12.40 Volume: \$6.18

**WATER:**

Base \$5.55 Volume: \$3.55

Volume is per 1,000 gallons



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*Summer* is **HERE** ~ Enjoy all that it has to offer! Famers Market ~Eyota Days ~Swim Bus ~WOW Trips



**EYOTA DAYS STARTS MONDAY, JULY 11**

Detailed information about these activities, entry forms, contact information and all other events for Eyota Days can be found on the city's web-site: [www.eyota.govoffice.com](http://www.eyota.govoffice.com) click on the 'Citizens' tab and then 'Eyota Days' You can also check out the facebook page: [facebook.com/eyotadays](https://facebook.com/eyotadays)



**\*\*The events below are still taking applications and registrations\*\***

**ADDED EVENT** which was not on the ED Flyer, is the Kids Pedal Tractor Pull. This will be held Wednesday 7/13 at DEHS east parking lot. Sign-up is at 6:45pm and it starts at 7:00. It's for kids age 4-11



**Eyota Days Parade:** The parade is still taking registrations to participate. Deadline is July 11th.

**3 on 3 'Bucket Bash':** This is also taking place on Saturday and is for grades 4-9 (completed). There is a \$50 fee per team for this event.

**Car Show & Car Race:** Pre-registration form found on the City Website.

**Street Market:** Registration form can be found on the City Website

