



City of Belle Fourche Information

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January 2024

Contact Information

Airport

10970 Airport Road
892-6345

BFACC

1111 National Street
Mon-Thurs 5am-9pm
Fri 5am-8pm; Sat. 8am-6pm
Sun 1pm-8pm
892-2467

Cemetery

10931 SD Hwy 34
892-3735

Engineering

511 6th Avenue
Mon-Fri 7am-4 pm
892-3006

Finance Office

511 6th Avenue
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
892-2494

City Services/Water Office

511 6th Avenue
Mon-Fri 7am-4pm
892-2674

Landfill

61 N 8th Street
Mon-Fri 7 am-4pm
Sat 9am-2pm
892-3530

Library

905 5th Avenue
Mon-Thurs 10am-6pm
Fri & Sat 10-2pm
892-4407

Museum and Visitor Center

415 5th Avenue
Tuesday- Saturday 9 to 5

Police, Code Enforcement

1010 8th Avenue
892-4354 (911 emergency)

Fire Department

605 National Street 892-6237

Greetings from Mayor Randy Schmidt

The city has been busy with the end of the year, and we have hit the ground running for 2024.

The Museum addition, and Phase 2 of 11th are going forward, and will continue with weather permitting. We have completed some upgrades to our landfill weigh station, by adding a sidewalk to make it easier to go into the scale house.

We have finished the wall on our walking path on National and will continue to work on fixing the issue of the water coming across the path. We have also made some improvements to the Prairie Hills Road.

We are moving along with the upgrades to our water meter reading systems. Projects that we are continuing to move along are the #3 well, the playground at the Roundup Complex, the river crossing for one of our water mains, and the 4th Avenue mill and overlay.

Please read the City Services section of this newsletter, it has the new water rates for 2024.

Thank you everyone for continuing to make this such a great community. Please stay healthy and safe.



Randy Schmidt 892-5261 Email schmidt@bellefourche.org

Museum and Visitor Center

The Jan. 21st Family Fun Day at 2 p.m. is “The Arctic and Antarctic,” and will feature a film about these polar regions, a craft to make a shoebox polar diorama, a book-drawing, free take-home packet and refreshments. Admission is \$2 per person or free with membership.

The **1903 Reader’s Theatre production** of “Dark Secrets,” performs Friday, Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 27 at 2 p.m. Production is a collaboration of the Tri-State and the BF Arts Council. Admission is \$4 per person.



The mini exhibit, “What’s on the Menu?” opens Saturday, Jan. 27 with a through the day reception of cupcakes and beverages. The exhibit is a history of the menu, including vintage menus from area cafes and restaurants of yesteryear. It includes storyboards, photos, a touchscreen quiz, artifacts and an activity table. No admission to attend.

Our **February 3rd First Saturday Brunch** is Karen Holzer presenting on “Sharing History through Art: DC Booth Fish Hatchery.” Brunch at 10 is \$5 or free with membership; the presentation at 10:30 is free to all. Reservations are required and need to be made as soon as possible. Call 723-1200.

The **Second Annual Rural Expressions Photography Contest** will culminate in a public reception at the museum on Saturday, Feb.10 at 5-7 p.m. Rules about the contest and entries can be found at bfartsphotocontest.com. This contest is a collaboration of the Tri-State and the BF Arts Council.

City Services & Public Works

City Hall & Public Works will be closed on Monday, January 15th for Martin Luther King Jr Day. All garbage routes will remain the same.

Please make sure to have your garbage totes out by the road by 7:00 am on your garbage day with the front facing the street to avoid not getting your tote dumped.

All totes must be at least 3 feet away from any vehicles, structures, or other totes or the tote will not get dumped. Only garbage in the tote will be picked up.

New Water Rates as of January 1, 2024

Next month you will notice a slight increase on your water bill. On September 4, 2018, the City Council approved Resolution No. 13-2018 - *A Resolution Setting Forth Various Fees for Goods and Services Provided by the City of Belle Fourche.*

The new rates for water, sewer and garbage service will be as follows for 2024:

Residential New Minimum \$88.77

Water: First 3,000 Gallons - \$26.03. Water: Over 3,000 Gallons - \$2.78 per thousand. Sewer: \$27.61 per month. Sewer Improvement: \$7.71 per month

Garbage: \$21.01 + 6.2% tax (\$1.31) per month . Borrower Bond: \$5.10

Residential – Out of Town

Water: First 3,000 Gallons - \$52.08, Water: Over 3,000 Gallons - \$5.55 per thousand.

Commercial New Minimum \$66.46

Water Comm: First 3,000 Gallons - \$26.04, Water Comm: Over 3,000 Gallons - \$3.00 per thousand.

Sewer Comm: First 6,000 Gallons- \$27.61. Sewer Comm: Over 6,000 Gallons - \$.86 per thousand

Sewer Improvement: \$7.71. Borrower Bond: \$5.10

Commercial – Out of Town

Water Comm: First 3,000 Gallons - \$50.07, Water Comm: Over 3,000 Gallons - \$6.01



Code Enforcement

Belle Fourche City Ordinance #12.28.010 states:

It shall be unlawful for a property owner or occupant to permit snow or ice to remain on any (con't)

sidewalk for more than twenty-four (24) hours after snowfall has ceased. Unless otherwise provided within these ordinances, all sidewalks must provide at least a thirty-six (36) inch wide area free and clear from snow and ice across the subject property.

Reminder to make sure you have your vehicles off the street on all emergency snow routes during any type of snowfall and until the street has been cleared. If your street has already been plowed, please do not place any snow from your sidewalks on the streets. All snow route maps, and snow removal information is on the website at www.bellefourche.org. You can also sign up for Code Red on the website to get all city issued notifications.

Rec Center



Youth Strength & Cardio (6th-9th), February 23-March 22. Fridays 11:30-1:00 pm. Members \$40 ~ Nonmembers \$50

Youth Volleyball Camp (1st-6th Girls),

Register at the Rec by March 1st! **Yoga @ the Rec.** Wednesdays @ 5:30 pm. For all levels-join any time. Try your first class FREE! **Paddleboard Rentals in the Pool:** Fridays 6:30-7:30 pm, Members \$15 ~ Nonmembers \$20. Limit 2 patrons per board. **Adult Swim Hours** Monday-Thursday 6:00-10:00 am & **1:00 pm-2:00 pm (NEW),** Fridays 6:00-10:00 am

Library



The next Storytime Tuesday, February 13, at 10:30 a.m. Join us for Valentine fun with finger-play songs, drawing and cutting stories, read a storybook together and watch the library puppets perform a story on stage. You do not have to register for story time, just come! Suggested ages 3 – 6 years old.

The library will be closed Feb. 19, Monday, for President's Day.

Braille & Talking Book Program - The library can connect you with books for people who are unable to see or handle printed materials or have dyslexia. Digital talking books and magazines in audio or Braille are available for free through the SD State Library Braille & Talking Book Program for adults and children. Materials and audio playback equipment are provided free of charge by postage-free mail. Application forms and brochures with more details for this program are available at the Belle Fourche Public Library.