

FIRTH MUNICIPAL NEWS

4th Quarter 2019 - Edition

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The purpose of this newsletter is to update you on current issues regarding the Village of Firth and the surrounding community. It is the hope of the Board that this will be a positive communication tool between the local government and you.

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You will find lots of interesting information including upcoming events, community activities, Village Board projects, various applications and forms, Firth history, and the municipal code, and more. Check it out!

Firth Holiday Lighting Contest – December 7

Decorate your home with holiday lights and you could win \$75 or \$50 in Firth Bucks! (Firth Bucks can be spent at any Firth Business.) F.A.C.E.T invites you to decorate the outside of your home and help bring holiday cheer to the Village. Must be within Village Limits to qualify for contest. F.A.C.E.T judges will select the winners on Saturday December 7th. Winners will be announced Sunday December 8th. (Sponsored by F.A.C.E.T)

Firth Old-Fashioned Christmas – December 7

The annual *Firth Old-Fashioned Christmas* open house will be held Saturday, December 7 from 4:00-5:30pm at the Firth Community Center. Join your community friends and neighbors for a visit with Santa, refreshments, caroling, kids crafts, and the annual community tree lighting. Plan for enough time to check out the Firth restaurants for supper, do some holiday shopping at Threads & Grain, and enjoy the holiday lights around town. (Sponsored by F.A.C.E.T)

Firth Valentines Night Out event – February 14

F.A.C.E.T is already planning for the annual *Valentines Night Out* event in Firth. Mark your calendar for Friday, February 14. You can enjoy dinner in town followed by fancy desserts and music at the community center. You won't want to miss it! (sponsored by F.A.C.E.T.)

2020 Firth Fun Day/Fireworks – Saturday June 13

Saturday, June 13th is the date!! New activities are being added for Firth Fun Day 2020! Make plans now to join in on all the festivities! If you would like to help plan this fun event please email firth.facet@gmail.com or call the Village Office (# above.) Everyone is welcome! (Sponsored by F.A.C.E.T.)

FACET – Firth Area Community Enrichment Team

The Firth Area Community Enrichment Team is made up of members of the Firth community. The F.A.C.E.T. mission statement is: *“to encompass the many facets of Firth by creating quality opportunities for people to invest in the area through community events, business development and fostering community pride... F.A.C.E.T. – preserving the past, embracing today, envisioning the future...”* For information about the many ways to get involved in F.A.C.E.T. please send an email to firth.facet@gmail.com or contact the Village Office (# and email above.)

Firth Street Repairs

If you have been in or out of Firth in the last month you know that Firth Road has been milled and overlaid. The Village Board worked with Lancaster County for several years to move the project to completion. Street patching and crack sealing of all Firth streets was completed in late summer. The south side of the intersection at Firth Road and Everett Streets is also scheduled to be redone yet this year. Due to the heavy truck traffic in that location the intersection will be replaced with concrete.

Happy Holidays from the Firth Village Board!

Recycling Issues

The Firth Recycle Drop-Off site is provided through an interlocal agreement with the City of Lincoln. The City of Lincoln provides the bins and schedules all pickup times. Please note: ALL recyclable items MUST be placed in the appropriate bins. ALL cardboard boxes MUST be flattened before placing in a bin. With the Holiday season approaching there will likely be an increased amount of cardboard dropped off. If you come to the recycle center and the bins are full please take your items home and come back another time. Or take them to a different Recycle Drop-Off site. Thank you for doing your part to keep the recycle site clean and free of litter!

Firth New Comprehensive Plan

Check out the 2019 Firth Comprehensive Plan at www.firth.nebraska.gov. Go to the Government page. Then click Municipal Code. The Village Board adopted the updated Firth Comprehensive Plan at the August 6 Board meeting. Please contact the Village Office if you would like to view a hard copy of the comprehensive plan or have any questions regarding the updated plan.

Firth Zoning and Subdivision Code update

The Planning Commission is currently working with FiveRule Rural Planning to update the Village Zoning and Subdivision ordinances. The update is anticipated to be completed in the spring of 2020.

Community Volunteer Opportunities –

These opportunities are open to anyone who lives in Firth or the surrounding area.

- **Park Improvement Advisory Group** - The Firth Board is working on an improvement plan for the Main Firth Park. This plan will include changes for the playground, sidewalks through the park, and other features. If you would like to be part of an advisory group for park improvements please call or email the Village Office (# and email above.)
- **Firth Community Foundation** – There is some interest in establishing a Firth Community Foundation which would be managed through the Nebraska Community Foundation. A community foundation would provide a safe and managed way for people to financially invest in the Firth community for specific projects, memorials, endowments, etc. If you have any questions or an interest in helping to establish this important community investment tool, please contact the Village Office (# and email above.)

North Ridge Addition – Phase 2 and new Blight and Substandard study

North Ridge Builders, LLC., is in the process of finishing the final plat for North Ridge Addition, Phase 2 of the housing development. Public hearings for a Blight and Substandard study for the newly annexed area in Phase 2, will be held during a Planning Commission meeting at 6:30pm on Monday, January 6, 2020 at the Firth Community Center. And 7:30pm on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 during the Village Board meeting.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, December 7 – Firth Old Fashioned Christmas – 4:00-5:30pm - Firth Community Center

Saturday, December 7 – Holiday Lighting Contest deadline

Friday, February 14 – Annual Valentines Event – Fancy Desserts/Music - Firth Community Center

Saturday, June 13 – Firth Fun Day – events all day long

Saturday, June 13 – Annual Firth Fireworks show

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