



GILMORE GAZETTE



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BUILDING PERMITS & DEMO

The weather is warming up and there will soon be projects underway. All City Residents are required to get Council Approved Building Permits before any permanent structures including concrete are installed. The cost of a building permit is \$10 and must be approved by the City Council on their normal meeting nights which is the 2nd Monday of each month. A special meeting is optional if required with a cost. Residents also need a Demolition Permit for tearing down any buildings or houses. Permit costs nothing but assures the city that the utilities, if any, are disconnected. This must also be approved by City Council. All building or demolition permits must call 811!

MUNICIPAL INFRACTIONS

**3.01** A violation of this Code of Ordinances or any ordinance or code herein adopted by reference or the omission or failure to perform any act or duty required by the same, with the exception of those provisions specifically provided under State law as a felony, an aggravated misdemeanor, or a serious misdemeanor, or a simple misdemeanor under Chapters 687 through 747 of the Code of Iowa, is a municipal infraction punishable by civil penalty as

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provided herein.

**3.03 PENALTIES**

First offense not to exceed \$750.00 and each repeat offense not to exceed \$1,000.00. Each day that a violation occurs or is permitted to exist constitutes a repeat offense.

**The City will be cracking down on municipal infractions for those who don't follow the rules.**

Did you know you need to get your underground utilities located before you start digging? Hitting an underground natural gas line can have serious consequences like **losing natural gas service to your home and neighborhood (goodbye heat and hot water), paying for repairs and causing serious injury to yourself, family or others.**

**WHAT IS 811?**

811 is the national call-before-you-dig phone number. Anyone who plans to dig should call 811 or go to their state 811 center's website a few business days before digging to request that the approximate location of buried utilities be marked with paint or flags so that you don't unintentionally dig into an un-

derground utility line.

811 protects you and your community! Hitting a buried line while digging can disrupt utility service, cost money to repair, or cause serious injury or death. Always contact your 811 center, wait the required time for utilities to respond to your request, and ensure that all utilities have responded to your request before putting a shovel in the ground.

**DO I NEED TO CONTACT 811?**

**Yes! Any digging requires contacting your 811 center, either by calling 811 from anywhere in the U.S. or making your request through your state 811 center's website. Planting a garden? Installing a fence or mailbox? You must contact 811. Building permit's first!**

<https://call811.com/>

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to all who called, stopped, and sent cards for my 97th Birthday in February. You sure know how to make this ole gal feel special.  
~Doris Landmesser

MAY BIRTHDAY'S

Lori Pederson	Jan Neel	2
Toni Frederiksen		3
Nick Weydert		4
Jeremiah Thompson		
Ben Lynch		6
Gary Marchant		8
Brenda Benjamin		9
Mike Jensen	Katie Telford	10
Jaelynn Cirks	Jill Jergens	11
Mike Boles	Heather Hanlin	
Jenn Kathrens	(Gertson)	
Mark Dickey		12
Evelyn Oberhelman		
Brandy Boles		13
Max Redenius		
Bill Borland	Barb Atwood	14
Preston Atwood		
Judy Thompson		
Nicole Cirks	Axel Niles	15
Emily Lynch		
Chris Johnson		16
Blaine Telford		17
Lyle Johnson		18
Karen Day	Jay Naeve	19
Brad Benjamin		
Reese Benjamin		20
Kinley Hanus		21
Fred Vanderhoff		22
<b>HAPPY ANNIVERSARY</b>		<b>22</b>
<b>Putter &amp; Darlene Jergens</b>		
Cleo Boles		23
Tony Davis	Nick Ford	24
Bentley Ellrich		
Denise Smith		26
Cassidy Cirks	Maci Balvin	29
Josh Merritt		
Jolene Pisel		30
Nevin & Madisyn Ubben		
Angie Peters		31

JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

Paige Vanderhoff		2
Colton Hoover		
Lorrene Sullivan	(Lakin)	
Kelvin Stearns		3
Jase Benjamin		
Donna Marchant		6
Kylie Ohnemus		
Aven Wiese		7

CITY ORDINANCES

Now that SPRING is finally here, a reminder of some of these Ordinances is important. The City will be going around inspecting properties that have lots of junk after Clean up Days.

**1. Height of Grass Restricted:** No persons will allow the grass on their property to grow higher than 8 inches. Failure to cut grass before this happens will result in the City mowing it at a rate of \$75/hr. per agent plus a surcharge of \$100.

**\*\*\*Also, please do not shoot out the grass clippings into the streets. Grass clippings clog the**

**storm drains and cause flooding, not to mention could be dangerous to Motorcycles and kids on bicycles. Also NO Burning of leaves or grass in street or curb!**

**2. Animal Control:** The owner of any animal will not allow said animal to run at-large within the limits of the city. This means keep them behind fences on the owners property, or on a leash at all times. If caught impounding fees will be charged along with Tag fees if not been registered!

**3. Junk:** It is unlawful for any person to store, accumulate, or allow to remain on private prop-

erty within the corporate limits of the City any junk such as old or scrap metals, old or discarded rope, rags, batteries, paper, trash, rubber, debris, waste, machinery, appliances or parts, etc.

**4. Junk Vehicles:** Vehicles which are considered junk, i.e. having broken windows, windshield, headlights, tail lights, broken or loose missing parts, has become a habitat for nuisance animals and/or insects, is rendered inoperable or is in defective or obsolete condition will not be stored or accumulated on property inside city limits. Mere licensing of such vehicle does not protect it from being considered junk.

Shout out to the Gilmore City Garden Center! While we usually utilize this space to keep you updated on our progress, I'd like to make sure that everyone knows of an unusual donation made towards the gorgeous new flowerpots we purchased with grant money last year. We would not have been able to purchase these pots without another year of fundraising if it wasn't for the generosity of the GC Garden Center graciously *giving up their entire profit* on these pots. They went through their supplier to get us the best possible price, then let us purchase the pots AT THEIR COST! That is huge and shows their loyal commitment to our community. We deeply appreciate their contribution in beautifying the main street of Gilmore City and hope that everyone will stop by to thank them for this generosity and show them some love by supporting their business.

GC-B SCHOOL INFO

Thank you to all of the community members that have supported the GC-B Little Chefs Meals to Go!!! We served our last meal for the semester on Tuesday, April 25th. We are so proud of the progress the students made in their ability to make meals for the public, and THANK YOU for supporting their little business! -Kelsey Wigans

April 5th board meeting:

It was moved by Devin Ellrich to approve the following program changes: Combine Para roles, move Seed to Table program to .5 FTE, to approve two combined classrooms with no art but offering an art club after school, set a \$200 classroom supply budget (not including curriculum supplies), 1 field trip per grade level, local only, and changing the sharing agreement for our School Counselor to 50/50 instead of 60/40. Seconded by Tracy Dickey. All ayes, motion graphics carried unanimously.

All of the minutes can be found at: [bit.ly/gcbmeetingminutes](https://bit.ly/gcbmeetingminutes)

Live Music!

Marty Garrett 8:00-11:00 a.m.  
Emma Elshecker 11:00-1:00 p.m.

Limestone Capital Market

Gilmore City, Iowa

June 17, 2023

GC-B School  
9:00 am-4:00 pm

Gilmore City Fire & Ambulance

Free Will Donation Luncheon

Pulled pork sandwiches, chips, bars, pasta salad, water & pop  
11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Gilmore City-Bradgate Elementary  
402 SE E Avenue  
Gilmore City, IA 50541

Handmade decorations, hand crafted body products, boutique clothing, candles,  
fresh produce, plants, delicious coffee & food and live music!  
Something for the whole family - Dad, kids and the ladies!!!

Gilmore City

FARMERS' MARKET

Every Tuesday | June 6- August 29

Sunset Park  
4:00-6:00 p.m.

To apply to be a vendor:  
[bit.ly/gcfm2023](https://bit.ly/gcfm2023)

LIBRARIAN’S CORNER

Gilmore City Public Library Schedule of Events

May 2023						
◀ Apr 2023						Jun 2023 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Library Hours Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 1-5 p.m. Tuesday & Friday 1-6 p.m. Saturdays 9-12	1	2 Popcorn Tuesdays Book Club 6:30 p.m. – Bookwoman's Daughter (to be given out)	3 Daycare Reading	4 Tea @ 2:00	5 Bingo begins at 5:00 p.m. 4 games All Ages (7 & Under must be with Adult)	6 Craft Day – Mother's Day 10-2
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28	29 Memorial Day Library Closed	30 Popcorn Tuesdays	31 Daycare Reading	Watch Facebook for pop up Storytimes. Coloring pages & puzzles are always out at the library. But reading a book is our favorite. Summer Reading will begin on Wednesday, June 28 <sup>th</sup> , and continue July 12 <sup>th</sup> , July 19 <sup>th</sup> & July 26 <sup>th</sup> . Watch for the flyers on this. Reading Challenge will begin June 1 <sup>st</sup> for all ages!		