

Exciting Business Developments in Wyoming

Wyoming is seeing exciting developments from both new businesses and expanding businesses. In the past month, Gordon Food Service, Undercar, Zeeland Lumber, Wolverine Glass, Detail Technologies and Michigan Turkey have all announced plans to relocate or expand in the city.

Weller Autoparts and Stockwell Manufacturing are likely close behind in making similar expansion decisions. Both are currently seeking tax exemptions and could have plans finalized by the end of the year.

The expansions are good news for job seekers as the companies look to fill several new jobs.

Progress continues on the "Turn on 28th Street" redevelopment plan. Residents are encouraged to visit the Design Studio located at Roger's Plaza between the hours of 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays now through December 22 to contribute their ideas or view the current design plan as it evolves.

The design team is busily working to finalize the plan, which will then be unveiled for residents to comment on in early 2011.

Residents can anticipate a design plan that includes residential options, office buildings and medical services, which aligns with the market assessment findings conducted previously this year by LandUSA.

The project is an exciting opportunity for community members to get involved in shaping the future of Wyoming.



City Manager *Relaunches Blog*

Although it has been a few months since my last post, I am recommitting myself to blogging on a weekly basis in an effort to bring you information on what is happening in the City and what the impacts may mean to our community.

My goal is to keep you updated on those events that are significant and of interest in our community. I will include issues or ideas that are being discussed by your City Council as well as significant events happening in our community that may extend beyond City business. Examples of possible blog topics include: updates on construction projects that impact residents, welcoming new businesses, useful tips for residents, fun events presented by the City and community organizations and information on initiatives being undertaken. I would welcome topic suggestions from readers and residents as well.

Please remember that the opinions or thoughts I present to you in my blog will be mine alone, and they do not represent the feelings or thoughts of any individual council member or our mayor.

Finally, if you would like to comment on something I write about in my blog, please contact me by emailing your questions or comments to Holtc@wyomingmi.gov. The blog can be found at wyomingmi.gov/blog_index.asp

Going Pink for Charity

Thanks to all those who participated in the Passionately Pink For the Cure Jeans Day this year. The City of Wyoming Employees raised \$493.11 for this great cause.

MAYOR'S

Message



Season's Greetings,

What will 2011 bring for the City of Wyoming? Currently, we are working on a redevelopment plan called "Turn on 28th Street". It is a great project with many opportunities available along the corridor. We appreciate your input on this project.

The GM site on 36th Street is also getting a lot of interest and hopefully new development is in the site's future.

It has been a busy and exciting year for Wyoming, with promises of more progress in 2011. I hope your year has been just as blessed, and I wish you a wonderful holiday season.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mayor Jack Poll

News Briefs

LIBRARY NEWS

ADULT BOOK CLUB - We have a friendly, informal discussion on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. December's discussion is *Wishin' and Hopin'* by Wally Lamb. **KDL'S WINTER READING ROAD TRIP** – The Kent District Library is sending you on a virtual reading road trip. Sign up and receive a map that will take you on a journey to jumpstart your winter reading. Read books for a chance to win great prizes. Registration is required. For adults. Program runs from Dec. 1 to March 19. **THE REINDEER ARE COMING!** – Traveling all the way from the North Pole (via Rooftop Landing Reindeer Farms), live reindeer will be visiting the library. Thursday, Dec. 9, 6:00 p.m. For further details on these and all of our programs, stop in the library to pick up a program guide, check out our web page at www.kdl.org or call us at (616) 784-2007! Plus, KDL is now on Twitter! Follow us at <http://twitter.com/KDLnews> for all the latest updates on programs, events and resources at your library.

WINTER ODD/EVEN PARKING BEGINS

From December 1 through the end of February of each year and during any declared snow emergency, any motor vehicles and any other licensed trailers or equipment shall be parked only on that side of the street having even numbers on even numbered calendar days and on that side of the street having odd numbers on odd numbered calendar days between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 p.m. of the same day with the following exceptions: When a residence is on a cul-de-sac, on-street parking shall only be on the even numbered calendar days. When a residence is on a street already posted "No Parking", the no parking restriction shall apply. Tickest will be issued to violators.

Snow Removal Gets a Little Easier

Residents might notice a new snow plow tool on the streets this winter. The Public Works Department has added a wing plow to their snow removal program. The wing plow is attached to a salt spreader and will allow the truck to clear a wider path as it travels.

With reduced staff, the hope is that the wing plow will help accomplish more work with fewer vehicles. Drivers need to be mindful of the wing plow when passing, and give salt truck and snow plow drivers extra space to maneuver.



Get Fit this Winter

Have fun and get fit this winter! The Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department is offering 11 different adult fitness classes starting in January.

Classes are 8 weeks long and the cost is \$40.00 per class for residents. Yoga, Zumba, Kickboxing and Rhythm Cardio Remix are a few of the most popular offerings.

For more information or to register call, 616-530-3164.

Lower Your Water Bill

Did you know that the sewer portion of your water bill is based on the amount of water you use during the winter?

Now is the time to check your house for leaks. The Treasury Office at City Hall has toilet test strips so that you can check for a leaky toilet (the number 1 cause for a high water bill).

Pamphlets with a checklist of places to look for leaks are also available upon request at the Treasury Office.

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.....	647-3980

Meetings

City Council Meeting | on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

City Council Work Sessions | on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Planning Commissions Meetings | on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the 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 the Council Chambers.

Parks & Recreation Commission | on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the West Conf. room.

Wyoming City Council

Jack Poll, Mayor

Sam Bolt, Mayor Pro tem,
Councilmember-at-Large

Dan Burrill, Councilmember-at-Large

Kent Vanderwood, Councilmember-at-Large

Bill VerHulst, 1st Ward Councilmember

Richard K. Pastoor, 2nd Ward Councilmember

Joanne Voorhees, 3rd Ward Councilmember