

SPRING 2017

CITY OF RICE NEWSLETTER

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Board of Equalization: April 10

Mark your calendars for April 10, 2017 at 6 PM!

This may affect your 2018 property taxes.

The Board of Appeal and Equalization for the City of Rice in Benton County, Minnesota will meet on April 10th, 2017 at 6 PM at Rice City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact your assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

Please Call: Brian Koester, Benton County Assessor, for an appointment 320-968-5019.

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Monthly Meetings

- **RICE CITY COUNCIL - MEETS THE 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH 7PM**
- **PLANNING COMMISSION - MEETS THE LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH 7PM**
- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE—MEETS THE 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 5:15PM**
- **RICE PARK PLAN OPEN HOUSE! APRIL 18TH AT 6 PM AT CITY HALL. PLEASE JOIN US AS WE WOULD LIKE YOUR INPUT!**

Consumer Confidence Report

The City of Rice Consumer Confidence Report is now available.

This report will be available in the following locations:

On the City of Rice website www.cityofrice.com, the Residents page.

Copies will be available at City Hall.

26th Annual Rice Family Fun Days

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

8:30 AM Softball Tournament Contact Scott Weyer for details 260.4852

12:00 PM Food & Beer Stands Open (Located on Main Street)

Volleyball Tournament (O'Brien's Pub)

12:00 PM Kids Games / inflatables and Jakes take Aim Shooting Range!! (Located behind Jan-ski Grocery)

1:00 PM Reptile Garden

Dunk Tank Sponsored by Women of Today

2:45 PM Kiddy Parade –Theme: All kids are welcome to participate. Line up at 2:30PM (Starts @ post office) Sponsored by: Rice Women of Today.

3:00 PM Parade (Starts @ City Hall and Ends @ 4th ST NE)

4:00 PM Mid Central Pullers Sponsored by: The Old Creamery Café & held at the Creamery.

4:30 PM Fire Fighter Water Fights Sponsored by: Rice Fire Fighters

6:00 PM Street Dance “Gregory James Band”

9:00 PM Raffle Drawing Sponsored by Rice Family Fun Day Committee.

9:30 PM Street Dance “Pop Rocks Band” www.poprocksrocks.com

Sponsored by Rice Area Sportsmen's Club & Rice Lions Club.

Parade registration forms are available at: www.cityofrice.com/communityevents.html

Contacts for Event: Keith O'Brien 492-0936 / Kathy Petron 333.6086 / Melanie Theisen 293.1710 / Kristi O'Brien 492.7972 / Kim Foshaug 492.8578 / Bryan Anderson 380.3695 / Chuck Ackerman 249.7700

City of Rice Annual Clean-Up Day

Residents of the City of Rice and the townships of Graham, Langola and Watab may deposit unwanted articles, items can be dropped off behind City Hall from 9am—1 pm Saturday April 29, 2017. Clean-Up personnel have the final decision on what items are acceptable.

Air conditioners, de-Humidifiers, humidifiers, dishwashers, dryers, electronics, microwave ovens, mattresses, ranges, stove, refrigerators, freezers, wash machines, water heaters and furnaces will all be \$5.00.

Passenger vehicle tires are \$2.00 each and larger truck/tractor tires are \$5.00 each.

Chair, batteries, and box springs are free

Items NOT accepted: RV refrigerators, chemicals, paints/stains, pesticides, poisons, hazardous waste or florescent bulbs

Rice Recreation– Summer Ball Program

Register now for Rice Recreation Summer Ball June 5-July 19

All practices take place at the Rice Lions Ballfields

Big Bopper ages 3-4, Mon and Wed nights 5:30—6:15 \$30 per child

T-Ball ages 5-7, Mon and Wed nights 5:30—6:30 \$30 per child

Pitchball ages 8-10 Mon and Wed nights, some Tues for games 6:30-8:00 \$40 per child

Little League ages 11-13 Mon and Wed nights, some Tues for games 6:30-8:00 \$40 per child

Family Cap is \$100.00 Registration forms available at cityofrice.com

Rice City Hall News

Mayor

Dale Rogholt 761-2764

Council Members

Bryan Anderson 393-4464

Brian Skroch 393-2191

Chris Scheel 393-7847

Paula Kampa 393-4223

City Hall will be closed:

May 1-May 5, 2017 Clerk's Institute

May 29, 2017 in observance of Memorial Day

July 4, 2017 in observance of Independence Day

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Monday 8:00 am—6:00 pm

Tues—Thurs 8:00 am—4:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am—12:00 pm

Rice Compost Site

Opening April 15, 2017

Tuesday and Thursday 4-7pm

Saturday 10 am-2 pm

Items accepted are grass clippings,
small tree branches and vegetative
materials

Prohibited items are treated wood,
concrete, and landscape materials

Permits may be purchased at the Site
\$25.00/year or \$5.00/day.

City residents are free

REMINDERS

**Please DO NOT flush disposable wipes, cloth towels, or sanitary napkins etc. in the sewer system. This causes an increase in back-ups in the system. Back-ups result in increased costs and maintenance, and ultimately higher sewer rates.

**Using Low or Non-Phosphorous detergents in your home and business will help keep the water system clean. Consider purchasing environmentally friendly chemicals and detergents for your cleaning needs.

Thank you for your cooperation!