



# City of Van Meter

July 2022

## Utility Rate Changes

Effective July 1, the water rate will increase to \$24.57 for the first 2000 gallons and then \$5.60 over 2000 gallons. The sewer rate will increase to \$24.29 for the first 2000 gallons and then \$7.14 over 2000 gallons. The waste rate increase will be posted on Facebook sometime in July, as we do not have the final rate at this publication. These rate increases will not reflect your bill until August.

## Police Assistance

The growth of Van Meter has meant the growth of calls for police service. In the past, community members have called City Hall or the officers' cellular telephones. This now can mean a delay in response and service. Please, moving forward, call the Dallas County Dispatch at 515-993-4567 for non-emergency services. If the call is emergent, please call 911.

## Bulk Item Stickers

If you're getting rid of something that's too big for your trash can, you need a large trash sticker. These can be purchased at City Hall for \$5.

# VIC OLSON MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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All proceeds donated to the  
Van Meter American Legion Post 403

**07 AUGUST 2022**

Shot Gun Start: 8:00am

2 person scramble

Steak Dinner to follow at the

Van Meter American Legion Post 403

River Valley Golf Course  
22927 Valley View Trail  
Adel, IA

Van Meter American  
Legion Post 403  
910 Main Street  
Van Meter, IA

Registration Deadline: 29 July 2022

For registration details, contact:

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## JULY SCHEDULE

### Summer Reading Programs By Age

#### Summer Toddler Time Ages: 2-5

Monday Nights 5:30-6:30pm

Wednesday Morning 9:30-10:30am

No Toddler Time Week of July 4th

July 11th and 13th: Planes

July 18th and 20th: Boats

July 25th and 27th: Trains

#### Summer Laugh and Learn: K-5th

Wednesday Nights 5:30-6:30pm

Bags will not be available for pick-up.

July 6th: Succulents

July 13th: Chemistry/Art Mashup

July 20th: Board Games

July 27th: Duct Tape Crafts

#### Monday Middle School Movies K-5th

Monday Afternoons 2pm- 4:30pm

#### Art for Young Artists: K-5th Grade

Saturday Mornings 10am-11am

July 9th Roy Lichtenstein- Pop Art

July 16th: Georgia O'Keefe- Flowers

July 23rd: Jackson Pollack- Abstract

July 30th: Henri Matisse- Layered Paper

### Tween/ Teen Programs Ages 12-16

#### Teen Takeover Thursdays

Thursday Nights 6pm-8pm

Join Katrina Thursday nights for tween/teen focused crafts, games, movies, and fun. Music and snacks provided; bring your own water bottle.

July 7th: Adventure Movie Night

July 14th: Mandala Bottle Painting

July 21st: Poetry Slam & Open Mic

July 28th: End of Summer Teen Bash

#### Word of the Week:

Participants will find a Word and Definition posted in our library each week. Those who find and collect all 8 earn 8 tickets!

#### Post-It Note Book Reviews

Tweens srop a short review to be stuck to the book and displayed in the Teen section. Get a raffle ticket for each review submitted!

#### Prizes for visiting the library!

Each event you attend will earn you a raffle ticket. Attend 3 or more for a second ticket, attend all 8 for a third raffle ticket.

#### NEW! Beanstack Challenges!

Sign up online to use Beanstack to track your reading goals.

# Raccoon River Days 2022

Thank you to Sponsors , Donors  
and Volunteers!



Ron and Debbie  
Gebhardt



2022 Van Meter Raccoon River Days is in the books. Great time was had by all. Special thanks to the following people and organizations for volunteering their time, manpower and brain power to help make our community festival a success: Lisa Hess, Kevin Hess, Rhonda Baldwin, Kim Dunbar, Beth Harbaugh, Tony Doremus, John Lavallo, Cari Lavallo, Joel Akers, Tim Cox, Jay Olsen and Van Meter Parks and Rec, American Legion - Gary Sacker, Toby Cozad, Kris Christenson, Van Meter Fire and First Responders, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Earlham Bank, Dave and Joe Herman and City of Van Meter, Van Meter Library— Nancy Studebaker and Katrina Broka and all the volunteers who helped set up, tear down and work during the event.

Lisa Hess and Rhonda Baldwin will be managing the 2022 RRD event. Big thank you Lisa, Rhonda and team for taking this on! We encourage comments on how we can improve. Email us at [raccoonriverdays@gmail.com](mailto:raccoonriverdays@gmail.com).



# 2021 WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is groundwater. Our water quality testing shows the following results:

CONTAMINANT	MCL - (MCLG)	Compliance		Date	Violation	Source
		Type	Value & (Range)			
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM]	80 (N/A)	LRAA	12.00 (0 - 12)	09/30/2021	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Lead (ppb)	AL=15 (0)	90th	0.00 (ND - 7)	2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3 (1.3)	90th	0.35 (0.04 - 0.38)	2020	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
<b>950 - DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM</b>						
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0 (MRDLG=4.0)	RAA	1.2 (0.62 - 1.75)	03/31/2021	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Fluoride (ppm)	4 (4)	RAA	0.90 (0.54-0.90)	06/2021	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
<b>02 - WELLS #2 ('68) AND #3('04) AFTER TRTMNT</b>						
Sodium (ppm)	N/A (N/A)	SGL	23	08/19/2020	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process
Nitrate [as N] (ppm)	10 (10)	SGL	1.9470	2021	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits

Note: Contaminants with dates indicate results from the most recent testing done in accordance with regulations.

## DEFINITIONS

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) – The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) -- The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- ppb -- parts per billion.
- ppm -- parts per million.
- pCi/L – picocuries per liter
- N/A – Not applicable
- ND -- Not detected
- RAA – Running Annual Average
- Treatment Technique (TT) – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Action Level (AL) – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- SGL – Single Sample Result
- RTCR – Revised Total Coliform Rule
- NTU – Nephelometric Turbidity Units

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water posed a health risk. More information about contaminants or potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORK is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

## **SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION**

This water supply obtains its water from the sand and gravel of the Alluvial aquifer. The Alluvial aquifer was determined to be highly susceptible to contamination because the characteristics of the aquifer and overlying materials provide little protection from contamination at the land surface. The Alluvial wells will be highly susceptible to surface contaminants such as leaking underground storage tanks, contaminant spills, and excess fertilizer application. A detailed evaluation of your source water was completed by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, and is available from the Water Operator at 515-996-2644.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Council meetings are held at the Veteran's Reception Center 910 Mill St. on the second Monday of each month at 7PM. Residents with questions about the water report can call (515) 996-2644 ext 4.