

NEWSLETTER

Mayor's Message-

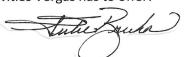
On May 19th the City of Vergas experienced a water issue when a local business reported failure of a back flow value. This resulted in blue dye backing up into the city water system. The City followed its Water Emergency Response Plan and the District Engineer with the Minnesota Department of Health came to Vergas to assist in remediation. Based on the Material Safety Data Sheet and testing by the Minnesota Department of Health there was no health hazard with the dye. A Do Not Drink order and informational sheet was issued by the Department of Health and remained in effect until hydrants were flushed, the water tower was drained and hydrants tested to ensure level of fluoride restored.

The communications for the water event included notification of main street businesses & Assisted Living, facebook, city website, and use of the Smart 911 Alert System. We realize you can never communicate enough and there were residents who noted being unaware. Be assured, if this had been a health hazard situation, we would have mobilized aggressive door to door communications.

An event debriefing was held and we identified improvements we could make for future prevention and response. The Water/Sewer Committee is updating the City Ordinance that will outline the requirement for back flow protectors and annual inspections for businesses utilizing chemicals. We are also enhancing the communications plan to include sending an alert utilizing the city newsletter email listing and promoting sign up for the Smart 911 Alert system. As noted above, if any health hazard component to an event; our plan is door to door notifications.

The City of Vergas website has information on how to sign up for the 911 Alert System and how to be part of the city email listing. If you need assistance, contact the City Office at 218-302-5996.

Enjoy Summer and the activities Vergas has to offer!





The Vergas Liquor Store

218-302-1516

MON-THU 9am- 9 pm FRI-SAT 9am-9:55pm SUN 11am – 5pm

Want to be COOL?

Stop by and check it out ...
Step into our cold walk-in cooler for a great seltzer selection or browse the craft beers in the up-right cooler.
Either way, it's a cool way to shop.
ENJOY.

2023 CITY MEETINGS

To access Hybrid Meetings
Via Zoom: Meeting ID:
267 094 2170
Password 56587
or Attend In Person
@ VEC Smart Room

Changes in our meetings to be posted on the City of Vergas website

www.cityofvergas.com

And Vergas Event Center sign

Vergas City Council Meeting:

Tuesday June 13th 6:30 p.m.

Vergas Event Center (2nd Tuesday of the month) (If you would like to be on the agenda, please have information to City Clerk by the Wed. before mtg.)

Park Board Meeting:

Thursday – June 22nd 3:00 p.m. Vergas Event Center- Smart Room (4th Thursday of the month)

Planning Commission Mtg:

Monday – June 26th

6:00 p.m.

Vergas Event Center (4th Monday of the month)

Vergas Event Center Advisory Board:

Wednesday-July 5th

5:30 p.m.

Vergas Event Center- Smart Room (1st Wednesday of the month)

EDA/HRA Meeting:

JULY DATE - T.B.D.

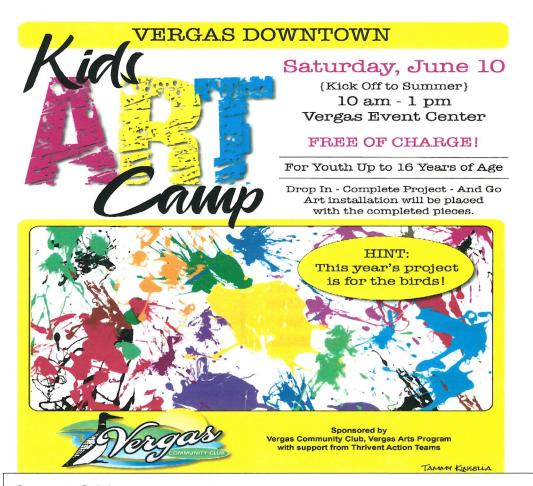
2:00 p.m.

Vergas Event Center- Smart Room (1st Tuesday of the month)

Siama's Congo Roots

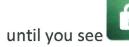
"Sounds from the Heart of Africa"

Jun 30, 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM Lion's Park (behind the Event Center) A Presentation sponsored by Viking Library System 218-739-5286



Smart 911 Emergency/Weather Warning Notification System

Please register for Smart 911- Go to: cityofvergas.com> scroll down



CLICK ON IT!

If you need assistance to sign up, or have any questions about the system, please contact the City Office: 218-302-5996

VERGAS CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Vergas City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. to be held in the Council Chambers as a hybrid meeting at the Vergas Event Center, 140 W Linden, Vergas, Minnesota, and on zoom id number 267-094-2170 (password 56587) to consider proposed Gravel Pit and Open Burning updated ordinances of the Vergas, Minnesota Code of Ordinances.

A copy of the proposed ordinances are available for review on the City's website (www.cityofvergas.com), as well as at the City Office, located at 111 E Main St, Vergas, Minnesota, during regular office hours.

All interested parties are invited to attend and will be given the opportunity to ask questions and to provide public input and/or comments. If you are unable to attend the hearing, you are invited to submit your comments in writing to the City Clerk-Treasurer prior to the scheduled hearing. Written comments or questions will be addressed at the hearing and a written response will be provided by the City. Non-English-speaking residents and other persons with special needs who plan to attend the hearing are asked to contact City Hall (218) 302-5996 Ext 1 prior to the hearing so that arrangements can be made to address any specific requirements.

Vergas Swimming Lessons JUNE 20-30 & JULY 24-AUG 3, 2023. Register on City website>cityofvergas.com>EVENTS

2023 **COMMUNITY MEETINGS**

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and on the

Vergas Event Center sign

Vergas Lions Club:

Tuesday - June 13th

5:30 p.m.

Vergas Event Center

(2nd Tuesday of the month)

Vergas Arts Club

Tuesday - June 13th

7:00 p.m.

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Community Club Meeting:

Monday -July 3rd

Vergas State Bank/ Lower Level (1st Monday of the month)

2023 Save the Dates...

Lions Blood Drive - June 8

Downtown Art Camp June 10

City Office CLOSED Juneteenth - June 19

Hazardous Waste Collection - June 29 -

Neighbor to Neighbor Spaghetti Dinner - June 29

"Siama's Congo Roots"- Jun 30

City Office CLOSED 4th of July

Looney Days - Aug. 11-13

Hairyman Festival - Sept. 30

CDH-Vergas Fire & Rescue Fundraiser - Oct. 14-

Wine Walk - Oct. 21

Pumpkins on Main Oct. 28 – 30

Halloween Party - Oct. 31

Holiday Tour of Homes - Nov. 18

Small Town Christmas -Nov. 25