



## City Commission

### Mayor

George Mandas

### Commissioners

Michael Kitzmiller

Bryce Lutz

David Butler

Stephanie McCoy

### MEETING DATES/TIMES

#### Commission

7:00 pm

1st & 3rd Thursdays  
each month

#### Planning & Zoning

7:00 pm

2nd & 4th Tuesdays  
each month when needed

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# SUMMERSET CITY NEWS

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## City News

I would like to remind everyone that now is the time to get signatures should you wish to run for office. These are three year terms.

There are two commission seats due for election. One seat is for the **Utility Commissioner**. The **Utility Commissioner** is responsible for the oversight of any utilities currently owned by the city (presently our sewer service) as well as working with other utilities that service our community in assuring continued good service to our residents. You will also be involved in future service needs as our community continues to grow. This seat is currently filled by **Commissioner Butler** sitting the remainder of **Commissioner Pogany's** term. **Commissioner Butler** intends to run for the next three year **Utilities Commissioner** position.

The second position is **Mayor**. The **Mayor** is the **Chief Executive Officer** of the municipality and has general supervision of all departments and officers. They oversee city lighting, buildings, parks and stand in for any vacant position. I currently plan to ask all of you for the privilege of being your **Mayor** again. We've made significant progress in overall growth and development in the last three years. I'd like to see that continue.

If you are interested in either of these positions, please feel free to contact our **Finance Officer** to learn about the election process. Another option would be to reach out to me or our **Utilities Commissioner** to find out more about our positions. I look forward to visiting with any interested residents.

Circulation of nominating petitions began on **January 26, 2018**. Petitions may be filed with the **Finance Officer** located at **Summerset City Hall**, between the hours of **9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time**.

Every  
VOTE  
Counts!

## Planning and Development Update:

### **The new middle school located in Summerset**

Progress is continuing ahead of schedule. A good portion of the exterior finishes have been completed thanks to the great weather this winter. Interior crews are closing doors on finished classrooms.

### **New Business**

**Polaris of the Black Hills** has broken ground on their new 18,000 square foot building that includes a showroom, shop and offices. Keep an eye out for updates as construction progresses.

**Neighbor's Sports Bar's** construction is moving along nicely and the owner is planning on the grand opening mid-February. They are putting the final touches on the menu, all the TVs are installed along with most of the interior finishes. It's looking great and will be a welcome addition to the Summerset community.

**Summerset Waste Water Treatment Plant** filter and SBR cover project is right on schedule. The crews have completed most of the underground utility work and they are now working on pouring the concrete for the filter building. This project will help to ensure that our plant is running at maximum efficiency and protecting the environment for generations to come.



## IRS phone scams:

Now is the time of year when people can start to receive phone calls from scammers claiming to be from the IRS.

These callers may demand money and try to coerce you into sharing private information, such as your bank account numbers, or debit / credit card information. They can sound quite convincing when they call. They may already know a lot about you, and they usually spoof the caller ID to make it look like the IRS is calling from a 202 area code number in Washington, DC.

They use fake names and bogus IRS identification badge numbers. If you don't answer, they often leave an "urgent" callback request. According to IRS Commissioner John Koskinen, "These telephone scams are being seen in every part of the country, and we urge people not to be deceived by these threatening phone calls. We have formal processes in place for people with tax issues. The IRS respects taxpayer rights, and these angry, shake-down calls are not how we do business."

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### **Here are 5 things scammers will do, but the IRS will never do. These should be considered tell-tale signs of a scam:**

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- Call to demand immediate payment, nor will we call about taxes owed without first having mailed you a detailed bill.
- Demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question the bill, or appeal the amount they say you owe.
- Require you to use a specific payment method for your taxes, such as a prepaid debit card.
- Ask for credit or debit card numbers or bank account numbers over the phone.
- Threaten to bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested for not paying.

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### **If you get a phone call from someone claiming to be from the IRS, here's what you should do:**

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- If you know you owe taxes or think you might owe, call IRS customer service at 1-800-829-0922 M - F 7am - 7pm. The representative will ask questions to verify your identity, research your account status, and help you resolve any payment issue. The IRS collections branch (Automated Collections Service, or ACS) will rarely make outbound calls to Taxpayers, where telephone contact information is available and prior correspondence has not prompted a response. These are calls to delinquent Taxpayers with unpaid tax liabilities and / or unfiled returns, who have not responded to numerous notices asking for payment.
- If you know you don't owe taxes or have no reason to believe that you do, report the incident to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484, or at [www.tigta.gov](http://www.tigta.gov). The "IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting" link is in red on the right side of the TIGTA home page. You can file a complaint using the FTC Complaint Assistant; choose "Other" and then "Impostor Scams." If the complaint involves someone impersonating the IRS, include the words "IRS Telephone Scam" in the notes. Link to FTC 2014 article.

The IRS does not use unsolicited email, text messages, or any social media to discuss your personal tax issue, including refunds or balance due issues. If you think you have received an IRS Scam Call, don't give them your personal information, and report it to TIGTA.

Sincerely,

Don Allen  
Police Chief



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111 Second Street, Piedmont  
718-3663  
piedmont.library@hotmail.com  
www.piedmontlibrary.net  
Hours: Tues 9-7, W-F 9-5, Sat 9-1  
Summerset branch temporarily closed.



**Friends of the Piedmont Library  
HUGE WINTER BOOK &**

**MOVIE SALE!**

Suggested donations:  
\$5 per bag of books / \$1 per DVD  
Audiobooks \$1-3

We have thousands of titles!  
Something for everyone!  
**Tuesday, Jan. 30 9:00-7:00**



**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

**SAT. FEB. 24**

**11:30-1:00**

plus

Reception for our outgoing director  
**JANE ABERNATHY**

Cake and coffee will be served

**UPCOMING CLASSES**

**-Robotic Programming** using the Lego Mindstorm EV3 robot for students 10 and up. Selected Saturday mornings - call the library for more information.

**-Essential Oils** classes on selected Saturday mornings. The next class is **Feb. 10 at 10 AM.**

Various topics are presented and no purchase required. Products are not endorsed or recommended by the library; purchase or use at your own risk.

**-Goldiblox and Little Bits Fun Science Saturdays** will be offered soon. Sign up for the library's



Please note that whenever Meade School District closes due to inclement weather or dangerous road conditions, the Piedmont Valley Library also closes. Anything due on those closure dates are due the next day the library opens.

Patrons: you can easily borrow thousands of titles from 11 libraries in the Black Hills through our interlibrary loan option with your online account. Call or stop in the library for assistance!

**JAN/FEB ART DISPLAY**

Piedmont Library Staff have brought in a variety of their handmade items to display. What a talented group of folks on staff! We have paintings, quilts, pottery, fabric art and much more. Come by and take a look!

If you know any artists in the area who might like to display at the library, please give them our number!



**PRESCHOOL  
STORY TIME**

**Every Thursday at 10**

**Monthly Gatherings**

**GENEALOGY GROUP** 2nd Monday at 10 AM.  
**BOOK GROUP** 3rd Thursday at 7 PM.

**Newcomers always welcome at both groups.**

**City Of Summerset**  
7055 Leisure Lane  
Summerset SD 57718  
605-718-9858  
[cityinfo@summerset.us](mailto:cityinfo@summerset.us)

**Summerset  
Police Department**  
7055 Leisure Lane  
Summerset SD 57718  
605-721-6806  
Law Enforcement Dispatch  
605-347-2681  
[policeinfo@summerset.us](mailto:policeinfo@summerset.us)



**City of Summerset Staff**

**City Administrator**  
Lonnie Harmon

**Finance Officer**  
Debbie Muzio

**Municipal Clerk**  
Candace Sealey

**Public Works**  
Tanner Fenenga

**Law Enforcement**  
Don Allen, Police Chief  
Donna Nordell, Volunteer Secretary

**Police Officers**  
Justin Taylor  
Brandy Palmer  
Lonnie Harmon (Part-time)  
Mark Alley (Part-time)  
Scott Johnson (Part-time)  
Rich Nasser (Part-time)  
John Walker (Part-time)  
Benny Page (Part-time)  
Dan Brady (Part-time)  
Jeff Twite (Part-time)  
Tracey Wiest (Volunteer)  
Marc Boddicker (Volunteer)

**Wastewater Treatment Plant**  
Jon Ambrose  
Bob Pieper

## Gone With The Wind

The recent gusty days have resulted in many residential phone calls to our City office to report trash cans that have gone missing. Each residence is issued one 90 gallon toter as part of their collection service. Additional containers are subject to a possible replacement fee.



*Please check your neighborhood before calling to request a new one.*

## Smart Pay

We've made paying your Utility Bill even easier! Our payment drop box is now located next to our mailbox and easily accessed from your vehicle.



Other ways to pay your utility bill:

- ACH
- Check
- Credit/Debit (2% convenience fee)
- Online:

<https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/summersetsd>

### February Office Closures:

The City offices will be close February 19th for Presidents Day.

### February Recycle Days:

February 1st  
February 15th

♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥