



## 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

### City of Summerset honored for 10 year membership

The City of Summerset has been honored for 10 years of membership with the SDML Workers' Compensation Fund. The Fund is celebrating its 30 Year Anniversary by recognizing long-term loyal members.

The Fund was created in 1987 as a method of providing workers' compensation coverage for employees of local government entities in South Dakota. During its longevity, it has provided competitive rates, outstanding customer service and a strong safety and loss control program to the now 454 members.

The Pool is governed by a nine member board of trustees chaired by Karl Alberts, Finance Officer for the City of Aberdeen. "Our focus has been to provide stable rates to our members. The affordability aspect of the Pool over the last 30 years has enabled our members to use the money saved to fund other areas of their budget," said Alberts.

The Fund is a non-assessable risk sharing pool available to Municipalities, Counties, Townships, Conservation Districts and other Special Districts throughout South Dakota and is endorsed by the South Dakota Municipal League and the South Dakota Association of County Commissioners.

Mayor George Mandas is pictured accepting a plaque from Gary Drewes on behalf of the SDML Workers' Compensation Fund.



## Participation Station

### Light Up Sunset Contest Winners!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas Light Contest this year! It was wonderful to drive around and see everyone's display of Christmas spirit!

#### 1st Place!



#### 2nd Place!



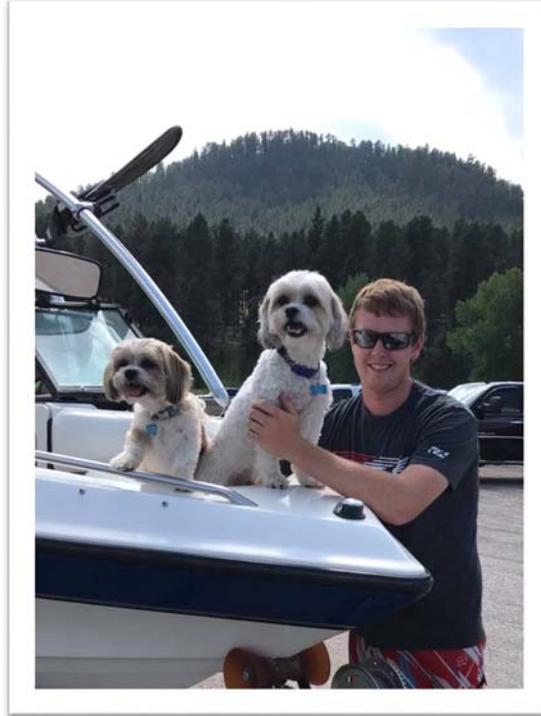
#### 3rd Place!



## CITY NEWS:

### Welcome Tanner!

The City of Summerset would like to officially welcome Tanner Fenenga as the Public Works Manager. The City has contracted through Tanner for various services for many years, but he is now an official employee of the city. Tanner can be seen around town at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, fixing street lights, maintaining roads, and wherever else he is needed. He is always willing to do any task that is needed, and we appreciate his hard work.



### Public Works Reminders:

The City of Summerset strives to provide an acceptable level of snow and ice removal for our residents. Here are just a few pieces of information to keep in mind throughout the winter season:

- When snow is expected, please park your vehicles off the street if possible. Pushing snow along a car parked on the street is often unavoidable as city crews work to make streets passable.
- Please remove snow from your sidewalk within 24 hours.
- When shoveling your driveway and sidewalk, do not throw the snow into the street. Instead, place it on your lawn or near trees and shrubs to help with winter watering.
- Please keep in mind that if you shovel before we plow your street, your driveway may get blocked in again by a windrow of snow from our plow. Unfortunately in many cases, this is unavoidable.
- Please be patient, as we have a number of streets to clear. Moving heavy, wet snow takes considerably more time than dry, fluffy snow. Equipment operators may work 12 hours or more in a shift and appreciate courteous and friendly drivers and pedestrians. Please help them help you.
- Snow is removed from life safety and emergency routes first. The second priority is the major arterial streets followed by major-minor collector streets. Remaining residential streets and alleys are cleared as soon as possible.
- When following behind snow plows or other snow removal equipment, stay at least 70 feet (four car lengths) back so the driver can see you. Remember that snow plow drivers have limited visibility from inside their vehicles, especially in inclement weather.

## Car Seat Safety Tips:

Engineers are working hard to ensure that cars and car seats are designed to keep kids as safe as possible. But it's up to every parent to take full advantage of these innovations by making sure car seats and booster seats are used and installed correctly. Here's what you need to know to ensure that your most precious cargo is safe in cars.

## Hard Facts:

Road injuries are the leading cause of preventable deaths and injuries to children in the United States. Correctly used child safety seats can reduce the risk of death by as much as 71 percent.

## Top Tips:

- Seventy-three percent of car seats are not used or installed correctly, so before you hit the road, check your car seat. If you are having even the slightest trouble, questions or concerns, certified child passenger safety technicians are able to help or even double check your work.
- Learn how to install your car seat for free. Safe Kids hosts car seat inspection events across the country where certified technicians can help you learn to install your car seat properly. They will teach you so that you can always be sure your car seat is used correctly.
- Buy a used car seat only if you know its full crash history. That means you must buy it from someone you know, not from a thrift store or over the internet. Once a car seat has been in a crash, or is expired, it needs to be replaced.
- We know that when adults wear seat belts, kids wear seat belts. So be a good example and buckle up for every ride. Be sure everyone in the vehicle buckles up too.
- Never leave your child alone in a car, not even for a minute. While it may be tempting to dash out for a quick errand, the temperature inside your car can rise 20 degrees and cause heatstroke in the time it takes for you to run in and out of the store.

## Is your car seat registered?

Parents can register their new or currently used car seat, ensuring that they are promptly notified about future recalls and guided through the repair process.

Here's how:

- Register online with your car manufacturer, using the information found on the information sticker on your car seat.
- Fill out the registration card that came with your car seat. It's pre-populated with your car seat's information. Mail the card; no postage required.

**Tip:** Take a photo of your car seat label and save it to your phone so you can have it handy. For more information, visit: <http://www.safekids.org/car-seat>

Sincerely,  
Don Allen  
Police Chief



# Our Community Wants You!!!

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Have you ever had an interest in government?  
Now is the time to get involved! We are looking for residents interested in serving their community on our Planning & Zoning board.

*Why should you serve?*

Residents get involved for many reasons: some get involved to make change, some may get involved to maintain what is already in place; some to enhance what is currently built, while others seek involvement as a way to start a political career. For whatever reason someone gets involved it's about community. Remember even if you like things the way they currently are it takes someone serving to make that happen.

Planning & Zoning Members receive \$75.00 per meeting that they attend. Meetings are every 2nd and 4th Tuesday (as needed) each month at 7:00 pm.



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**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



**Smart Pay**

For the community's convenience we will continue to accept credit card payments in our office but we have updated our systems to implement a 2% service fee for each transaction paid by credit card.

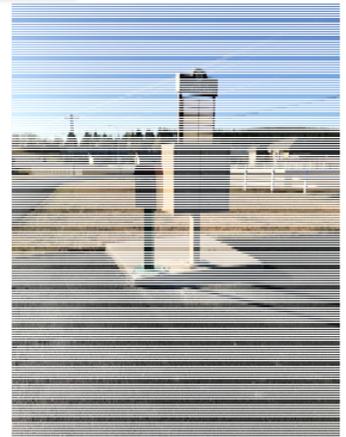
Other Acceptable Methods of Payment:

- Send by mail
- In person via cash, check, credit card
- ACH
- Drop off to our 24 hour drop box
- Online at:



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

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



**January Recycle Days: January 5th and 18th**

