

# CITY OF ADA Newsletter and Reference Guide

## 2015 Spring Clean Up!

Spring Clean Up is just around the corner! Over *four* days, May 8, 9, 15 & 16, Ada residents will have the opportunity to rid themselves of unwanted items that have been accumulating. **There will not be curbside pick – up,** unless specified otherwise.

Through the cooperative efforts of the City, area businesses and organizations, residents will be able to dispose of their unwanted and accumulated items, junk or debris at little or no cost.

The contents of this newsletter will provide residents with details on the programs and methods that will be available to get rid of unwanted items and also, information on a tree planting discount program that will be offered that can help beautify the area in which you live.

Please listen to KRJB for any possible schedule changes due to weather.

## Demolition Pickup

Al's Disposal will conduct a collection of demolition material at no cost to City of Ada residents. Bring items to the Alleyway East of the Fire Hall / old City Hall (**enter on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave by Fire Hall**) on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. & Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Acceptable and Unacceptable items are identified in the table below. Separate your items into these separate piles when dropping off:

Pile #1 – Untreated lumber, plaster / sheetrock (small quantities). No more than 1-2 yards; toilets, sinks, bathtubs, shower stalls, tarpaper and shingles (also no more than 1-2 yards); PVC plastic (small quantities).

Pile #2 – Small amounts of metal and steel items, lawn chairs, and lawn mowers – push mowers only, small appliances, toasters, electric frying pans, etc., barbecue grills, windows and doors, microwaves.

Pile #3 – Mattresses, box springs, couches, furniture.

Pile #4 – Household garbage, paper and cardboard products, old clothes, etc., plastic items, small wood items with no metal parts, wooden windows and doors with no metal parts, (please put in bags, boxes or garbage containers).

### UNACCEPTABLE DEMOLITION ITEMS

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| -Leaves and yard waste  | -Ashes             |
| -Animal and kennel remains  | -Tires & batteries |
| -Used motor oil and filters   | -Liquids           |
| -Paint & caulking tube containers   | -Vehicle Parts     |
| -Hazardous & Industrial waste   | -Machinery         |
| -Glues, adhesives or sealants   | -Treated lumber    |
| -Steel, fuel oil or petroleum tanks   |                    |
| -Appliances or white goods  |                    |
| -Fluorescent light bulbs, light fixtures with ballasts, televisions or any computer equipment |                    |

*Any items not listed under acceptable shall be considered unacceptable.*

For any “Clean Up” questions contact Julie Bitker at Al's Disposal. #784-4090

## CITY SERVICES DIRECTORY

City Hall	James Leiman City Administrator, Clerk / Treasurer	784-5520
Police Department	Jody Bueng Police Chief	784-5510
Dekko Community Center	Larry Millender Director	784-5530
Bridges Medical	Front Desk	784-5000
Public Works	Brian Rasmusson John Kappes	784-5537
Liquor Store	Gerrie Aasland Manager	784-5529
Economic Development		784-5524

## Ada City Council

Mayor	Jim Ellefson
Council Persons:	John Rosenberger Richard Pinsonneault Neil Miller Craig Edwards James Hansen Candy Robertson

## Dog and Cat Shot Clinic

In cooperation with the Frazee Veterinary Clinic, the City of Ada will be sponsoring a shot clinic for City of Ada residents in order to obtain the necessary vaccinations for their dogs and / or cats. If you need to contact Dr. Lindemann, call 218-847-2922.

When: Thursday, June 4, 2015  
Where: Ada Public Works Building  
Time: 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Vaccinations that will be available are:

Dog Rabies	Cat Rabies
Dog Distemper	Cat Distemper
Dog Lyme disease*	Cat Leukemia*
Bordetella	

Heartworm / tick screening / testing available/ Heart guard Plus

\*If first time given, a booster is required in 2-3 weeks.

Credit Cards: VISA, MasterCard, Discover

NOTICE TO CITY OF ADA PET OWNERS: City Ordinance requires dogs and cats that are 6 months of age or older to be licensed. The license period is from July 1 to June 30 of the following year. The license fee is \$3.00 for each neutered / spayed dog or cat and \$5.00 for each unneutered / unspayed dog or cat. A statement from a veterinarian showing that the operation for neutering or spaying was performed is require to be eligible to receive the reduced license fee rate. Also, proof of rabies vaccination is required. City staff will be present to issue the licenses.

PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PETS. THANK YOU!

## Fluorescent Light Bulb Collection

There will be a fluorescent light bulb collection on May 7th, 2015. The collection will be held at the Norman County Highway Department in Ada. The hours of the collection will be from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. They will be collecting fluorescent light bulbs and ballasts, batteries for cars, hearing aids, cell phones, watches, and rechargeable & non-rechargeable batteries.

This collection is for Norman County Residents only. This collection is sponsored by the Norman County Environmental Services Office and paid for with dollars collected from the Garbage Assessment on your tax statement. If you have any questions on this, you can contact Al's Disposal at 784-4090.

## Free or Low Cost Money!!!!

Team Ada, as you think about spring cleanups for your home or business, please consider that they may be free or low cost money to assist! For low income residents, the City would be happy to sit down with you and share with you a number of options that may be at your disposal to include but not limited to: Local Housing Incentives offered by regional housing authorities, state government and the USDA. These are low cost loans and/ or matching grants for those that meet certain income criteria.

For low income seniors, there may be grants available to assist in making one's home safer as well.

Please contact City Hall to find out what may be available and how the city can assist with area applications.

## White and Brown Goods Collection Event

The Norman County Environmental Services Office will be holding a "Brown Goods" collection on May 7-9, 2015. This event will be held at the Norman County Demolition Landfill site at 3291 County Highway 19 during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during these three days only. The landfill is located five miles west on County Highway #19 from State Highway #32 or seven miles east on County Highway #19 from State Highway #9. It is located on the south side of the highway. The entrance is no longer through the Sid Jackson residence, but is located just east of their driveway. Just turn in the driveway with the big sign by it.

What are "Brown Goods" you ask, the definition we are using for this collection includes the following items: televisions, computers, computer monitors, printers, VCRs, stereo equipment, small electrical appliances, and microwave ovens. These items **will** be taken at **no charge** during this special collection.

What is also included in this collection are "White Goods", which are defined as appliances which contain refrigerants and/or mercury switches such as: washers, dryers, freezers, and refrigerators, etc.. These items **will** be taken at **no charge** during this special collection. This collection is for Norman County Residents only. If you have any questions on this collection, please contact the Norman County Environmental Services Office at 784-5493 or Glen Visser at 218-415-0190

**If you need curbside pick-up this year for your White Goods, you may contact Jason at #218-443-6584 for this service.** Please clean out food or any other items that may be in the appliances prior to pick up.

## **Boulevard Shade Tree Planting Program Information / Guidelines**

This year, the City of Ada purchased 55 trees (Northern Acclaim Honeylocust, Siouxland Poplar, Frontyard Linden, Princeton Elm and Cathedral Elm) to be planted at homes or businesses in Ada. Trees will become available in late April or early May. One tree per household or business and it will be first come first served. Come to City Hall to fill out an application and get your tree voucher today! Should all trees not find homes, the City will contact those with an interest in additional trees. To qualify for the tree Boulevard, the following criteria must be met:

It shall be a width suitable for tree planting.

Trees to be planted shall be selected from the list below suitable for the Boulevard.

Trees shall not be planted within 10' of a curb / sidewalk unless approved by Ada Public Works.

Trees shall not be planted within 15' of the center of a power line.

Trees shall not be planted within 5' of a water shutoff.

If other utilities are in close proximity to purposed location of tree resident shall work with appropriate utility to ensure proper placement.

An attempt shall be made to place trees in line with other boulevard plantings in the neighborhood.

Trees shall be planted with a minimum of 30' between trees on boulevard.

The following conditions must be met before receiving discounted boulevard trees:

You must be a resident of the City of Ada and plant your tree in Ada. You must call Gopher State One Call for utility locations and receive a ticket number. Ticket number must be shown at the time trees are picked up.

## **Compost Hours**

The City Compost Site will be open 24 hrs. per day, 7 days a week - weather permitting.

If the gates are closed, the compost is closed. Do not pile leaf bags and branches by the gate when it is closed.

## **Branch Pick - Up**

Branches will be picked up on the first Wednesday of the month May - November. We only pick up branches.

The City will deliver a truck to residents if they are cutting down trees on their property, if they are not currently being used. If contracted to cut trees, contractors haul their own trees out to the compost site when open.

Prepared compost will be available for pickup at no charge. You must bring your own containers to pick up compost. The City will deliver large amounts only. To make arrangements for delivery of large amounts, contact the Public Works Department at 784-5537. Weather permitting.

## **Grass Clippings**

Residents, when mowing lawns, do not blow grass clippings into the street. The grass clippings will plug the catch basins causing water to backup.

## **Sump Pump Notice**

All sump pumps are to be turned outside as of April 30th unless you are paying the \$50 per month surcharge. *We will be checking!*

--Public Works Department

# NORMAN COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

**Items accepted:** latex and oil based paint; stains and varnishes; epoxy and glues; adhesives; roofing tars; paint thinners and strippers; fuels; pesticides; solvent-containing cleaners, polishes, and waxes; drain and oven cleaners; spot removers; aerosols; degreasers, carburetor cleaner, weed killer, insect killer, rodent bait, bug sprays, fertilizer-weed killer, moth balls, lighter fluid, turpentine, fire extinguishers, furniture stripper, wood preservatives, driveway sealer, glue with solvents, concrete cleaner, nail polish remover, silver polish, poisons, aerosol cans with products, photographic chemicals, as well as most product labeled as dangerous, flammable, combustible, poison, corrosive; etc.

**We will also be collecting farm and residential pesticides.**

**Items NOT accepted:** Business and farm waste; batteries; motor oil; oil filters; tires; pharmaceuticals; and explosives. All Ag pesticides must be brought to the collection in non – leaking containers.

**Norman County Residents Only. Any Questions: call 784-5493**

**WHEN:** May 7th, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Norman County Highway Dept., Twin Valley

## Junk Cars and Large Metal

Junk cars will be picked up by K&K Towing at no cost to residents. Interested residents need to contact the Ada Police Department at 784-5510, to obtain the require release forms and any further information. Also, large metal items, wheel rims, and wire can be disposed of by delivering it to the compost site during this week.

## Waste Oil, Oil Filters, Vehicle Batteries

The following local businesses accept waste oil, oil filters and vehicle batteries at no charge to residents:

- Wes's Truck Shop (202 West Main Street)
- Kelly's Chrysler (403 West Thorpe Ave)
- Lee Bros Sales (503 East Main Street)
- Norman County Implement (Hwy 9 North) – no oil filters

## Tires

Special arrangements have been made with Wes's Truck Shop for residents to dispose of their used tires at no cost. Residents must deliver their used tires to Wes's Truck Shop facility located at 2738 State Hwy 200, East of Ada. Residents must register in the office before they drop off their tires in the established designated area. Registration is necessary because the City of Ada will be subsidizing the cost of disposing of these used tires and only City of Ada residents will be allowed to take advantage of this arrangement. Tires can be dropped off Monday through Friday, during the month of May, the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. All types of tires will be accepted provided that the wheel rims have been removed.

## Recycling Center

The Recycling Dumpsters are located at the Valley View Manor, Bridges Medical (West side), and NE of Dekko Center- east of ball diamonds.

Residents are strongly encouraged to recycle as much as possible during spring cleanup and throughout the year.

# Recycle, Reduce, Re-use

## Norman County Demolition Landfill

### Acceptable Materials

Bituminous	Metals	Bricks
Plaster	Concrete Blocks/Chunks	Plastic
Earth	PVC	Glass
Rocks	Sheetrock	Shingles
Lumber (untreated)		

### Unacceptable Materials

Aerosol Cans	Industrial Waste	Animal Remains
Inflammable Liquids	Appliances	Liquid Wastes
Asbestos	Mattresses	Ashes
Paints	Biohazardous waste	Tarps (all kinds)
Box springs	Poly	Carpeting
Propane tanks	Caulking tubes	Chairs
Radioactive waste	Chemical containers	Sofas
Empty paint cans	Street sweepings	Fuel containers
Food/Beverage containers		Treated wood
Used engine oil	Household garbage	
Others at Operator's Discretion		

The days and hours of operation is every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., starting April 26<sup>th</sup> through December 13<sup>th</sup>.

Starting December 14 through March 31, all loads will be by appointment only.

Feel free to call 218-784-2069 or cell: 218-415-0190 to make an appointment.

## Community Appreciation Day!

You are invited to come and celebrate Community Appreciation Day on May 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. at Dekko Park. There will be free food, an open house of the Dekko Center to include use of the pool, games in the park, a DJ and more! Don't forget to bring a dish and compete to win one of the following categories:

- Most interesting name
- Best presentation
- Best tasting
- Most exotic dish
- Messiest presentation
- Most Norwegian

Bring your families, a dish and most importantly, come and enjoy what our community has to offer! See you there!