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## 10th Anniversary Celebration

**Wow - The City of Elko New Market is already Ten years old!**



Come celebrate the anniversary of the merger of the Cities of Elko and New Market. The City will be hosting a Family Oriented 10th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, June 10, 2017 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. at Wagner Park, 121 Todd Street, Elko New Market.

The celebration will include hot dogs, chips, beverages, cake and activities for kids and adults (including bouncy houses, balloon animals, and more). Spend the afternoon visiting and having fun with friends and neighbors.



*Family-Oriented Activities!*

*Free Food & Beverages Provided.*

## 2017 Fire Rescue Days

Get ready for the Annual Fire Rescue Days celebration starting Thursday, June 22 through Sunday, June 25, 2017.

Events will include:

### Thursday

- ⇒ Parks Commission Free Family Fun Night

### Friday

- ⇒ Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament and Dinner/Program
- ⇒ N.E.W. Lions Steak Dinner
- ⇒ Doublewide Wrestling Event

### Saturday

- ⇒ Don Quixote 1K and 5K Run
- ⇒ Fire Relief Association Dance

- ⇒ Community Parade
  - ⇒ Games in the Park sponsored by Tapestry Church
  - ⇒ Boy Scouts and Windmill Animal Rescue will sell food at parade and Wagner Park
  - ⇒ Elko Speedway – Eve of Destruction
- ### Sunday
- ⇒ Troop 325 Boy Scouts - Pancakes in the Park
  - ⇒ Church in the Park

Watch for more information coming in the near future on these events.



## Social Networking

Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Elko-New-Market-220828948350609/>

Follow us on Twitter at <http://twitter.com#!/elkonevmarketmn>

Links to both Facebook & Twitter can be found on the City Website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us).

## Engaging with the City

### City website is hub for events information

The City of Elko New Market is pleased to offer a variety of events and programs to enhance the quality of life here. In recent years, we have added Family Fun Nights, at Wagner Park in the summer and Elko New Market library in the winter; increased youth and adult enrichment classes in partnership with the Community Education Departments in both Lakeville and New Prague school districts; and worked with Three Rivers Park District on youth geocaching, archery and other programs. Seems there's almost always something on the calendar.

The best way to see what's coming up is to visit the City's website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us). The home page has a quick-view calendar with stars indicating meetings and events being held on a given day. Dates and times for official meetings of the City Council, Planning Commission, Parks Commission and the Economic Development Authority can be easily accessed there.

By clicking on "Events" on the right side of the top navigation bar, you can tap into a wealth of information. Here, you can find all the details of City-hosted events, such as the upcoming

Spring Clean Up and 10th Year Anniversary Celebration taking place on June 10th, as well as the annual Fire Rescue Days event being held June 22-25, 2017.

The "volunteer" icon on the right side of the events page will take you to a form on which you can express your interest in volunteering for upcoming events. Special skills are not necessary to help us execute fun-filled events.

We've also compiled lists of all the community education classes held in our community, which are posted on the events page. If you're looking to develop a skill or get into shape while engaging with your neighbors, check out the events page.

## Your Questions Answered

### When do I need a burning permit? How do I obtain a burning permit?

City ordinance requires obtaining a burning permit for 2 types of fires, recreational fires and open burning fires.

A fire that is contained in a fire pit, fire ring or outdoor fireplace requires a recreational fire permit. A recreational fire permit is free of charge and can be received by filling out the application form and submitting to City Offices for approval. Recreational fire permits are issued to City of Elko New Market residents only.

Fires of a larger nature require an open fire permit, which can only be issued directly through the Fire Chief.

Whether you're burning leaves, brush or an entire tree, you need a burning permit.

The good news is that they're easy to get and they are valid for an entire year. To obtain your open burning permit, visit Fire Chief Todd Friedges at Friedges Drywall located at 430 Webster Street. It will only take 5 minutes.

**IMPORTANT:** Before burning, call the number on your permit (952.445.1411) – Scott County Police and Fire Dispatch – to let them know you will be burning.



## Managing Your Utility Account Getting Easier

For your increased convenience and the variety of options available for our residents, we are excited to announce our new partnership with Payment Service Network (PSN)!

The City of Elko New Market's new online bill payment portal through PSN allows residents to register and set-up one-time payments as well as auto-pay and/or recurring payments for the amount of your bill or a fixed amount.

Through PSN, the City now offers eBilling, which allows users to opt out of receiving paper bills and receive your monthly bill via email. (**Go Green and Opt Out.**) Regardless of whether you opt out or not, you can still view your monthly utility bill online.

Go to the City website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us) and click on "Pay or View Your Utility Bill." From there, click on the "Pay Online" button, which will take you out to our PSN webstore. With the new online portal, you will need to register and create a profile when you make your first payment. You can make payments via checking/savings account, as well as Visa,

MasterCard, and Discover credit cards.

PSN also provides a 24 hour automated call center as well as live representatives to take payments over the phone at (877)885-7968.

Rest assured, our new vendor follows the latest safety protocols for e-commerce transactions.

With this change, residents who previously authorized us to charge your credit card each month will need to set up an account through PSN via online portal or by calling (877)885-7968 to set-up auto-payments.

If you've not used online bill pay previously, we encourage you to give it a try. It's secure, fast and convenient, and the City does not charge any convenience fees to use the service.



## Watering Restrictions

It is that time of year again... Living in Minnesota, we never know what kind of weather to expect. This spring, we have experienced very mild un-seasonally warm weather. Trees are budding and lawns are already green. Summer is right around the corner, so it is time to remind residents of the rules regarding watering.

The following is an excerpt from city code section 9-1-10: CONSERVATION AND EMERGENCY MEASURES:

### CONSERVATION MEASURES:

**1. Odd/Even Restriction:** Use of the city water supply system for lawn or garden sprinkling or other irrigation shall be limited to an odd/even schedule corresponding to the property address effective each year from May 1 to September 30. Lawn or garden sprinkling or other irrigation is not permitted between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00) a.m. and six o'clock (6:00) p.m.

**2. Exception:** The watering of new seed or sod for a period of two (2) weeks from the date of seeding or sodding shall be excepted from the odd/even water use restrictions provided under subsection A1 of this section, but not the restriction on hours of sprinkling or irrigation.

This exception for seeded or sodded areas shall not apply to previously established areas of the same lot.

**EMERGENCY RESTRICTIONS:** Whenever the city council determines it in the public interest, the city council may, by resolution, further limit the use, times and hours during which water may be used from the city water supply system by giving notice by publication or by posting in the city hall and at such public places as the city council may direct.





## Crimes of Opportunity

With summer approaching, many of us turn to outdoor activities. Many days we don't go inside our house until after dark forgetting to lock doors to vehicles parked outside and closing our garage door.

Help protect yourself from becoming a victim of a "Crime of Opportunity" by locking vehicle doors and closing garage doors.

The Police Department recommends that if you can, park vehicles inside the garage. If you can't, lock the doors and do not leave any valuables such as electronics, videos, cash, garage door openers, etc. If you see or hear anything suspicious, contact the police immediately.

Chief Steve Mortenson

## Repurposed/New Facilities Allow for Growth & Expanded Services



Current Police Station—former Post Office/ City Hall, & Schoolhouse

Since the merger in 2007, the City of Elko New Market has made prudent investments in facilities to meet the needs of our growing community and offer expanded services. Creative reuse and repurposing of existing facilities, and favorable financing for new projects, have helped minimize the tax impact to residents and businesses.

later the New Market library, became redundant because of the merger or later developments. These buildings have also been creatively repurposed to stretch taxpayer dollars and offer expanded services. Elko City Hall housed the Post Office temporarily, and is now home to the City's Police Department and garage. The retrofitted New Market library now provides an ambulance bay and lounge for the Northfield Hospital Ambulance Service. With these accommodations, we now have expanded ambulance coverage and shorter response times in our area.



Current Ambulance Station/City Storage— former Public Works Building, Library, City Hall/Fire Department

Consider the Public Works Department, which previously operated out of a garage accommodating only one plow truck and a few lawnmowers, and had no running water. Additional maintenance vehicles, plow trucks and a street sweeper were stored behind City Hall – not a practical, long-term solution.

The Central Water Treatment Facility that came online in early 2016 was the most significant capital improvement project in the combined cities' history. Not only does it position us well as our population rises to anticipated levels, more importantly, it provides high quality water, and has reduced radium and manganese levels to well-below state limits.



Current Public Works Satellite Building— former Public Works Headquarters, City Storage, County Public Works Building

In 2015, the City built a sizeable new Public Works garage that is large enough to accommodate all of the equipment and vehicles, and will meet the community's anticipated growth well into the future. With low-interest financing, the new facility had a minimal tax impact to individual taxpayers.

City facilities have come far in the 10 years since the merger. We are well positioned for some time into the future because of the advanced planning built into our facilities plans.

And the old garage? Never ones to let space sit idle – we're now using it for much-needed storage.

Some buildings, such as the Elko City Hall and



## Family Fun Nights Are Back At Wagner Park This Summer

COMING SOON! FREE Family Fun Nights at the Wagner Park Shelter are back again! Join your friends and neighbors on Thursday nights beginning on June 22nd and running through August 3rd at 7 PM rain or shine! In addition to the popular inflatable waterslides and movies,

special events this Summer will include Mad Science, the RAD Zoo, Pony Party Express with FREE pony rides, and much more! A complete schedule will be available soon on the City's website and Facebook page, so mark your calendars for family fun this Summer!

## 2017 Night to Unite

Join neighbors across Elko New Market on **Tuesday, August 1 2017** for the 9th Annual Night to Unite in Minnesota. Sponsored by the Minnesota Crime Prevention Association, AAA of Minnesota/Iowa, and local law enforcement agencies, Night to Unite will celebrate and strengthen neighborhood and community partnerships.

Night to Unite is designed to:

1. Get to know one another in your neighborhood.
2. Build neighborhood involvement by bringing police and communities together; and
3. Bring awareness to crime prevention and local police department efforts.

Chief Steve Mortenson said, "I invite neighborhoods in Elko New Market to become involved in Night to Unite Activities. This is an

opportunity for neighborhoods and the community to band together, enjoy a summer evening getting to know their neighbors and police officers as well as who belongs in their neighborhoods."

If you would like to sponsor a neighborhood gathering in your neighborhood and have a visit from local police department, fire department, paramedics, mayor/councilmembers and/or city staff, please go to the City's website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us) and click on the "Events" tab for online registration.

If you have any questions, please call City Offices at (952) 461-2777.



## Does Illicit Discharge Affect You?



### Remember....

- What we do on land affects the quality of water we drink and use in so many ways.
- Many small sources of pollution add up to cause big water quality problems.
- Natural things such as soil, leaves, grass clippings, and pet waste can cause water pollution.
- Waste dumped into storm sewers goes into waterways without treatment.

What is Illicit Discharge?

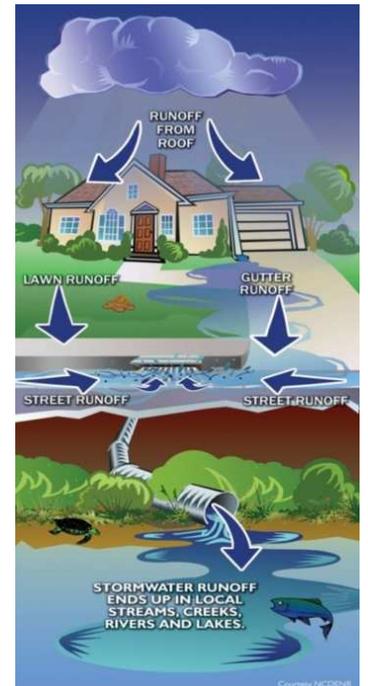
An Illicit Discharge is the induction (accidentally or purposely) of non-storm water to the ground or into the storm sewer.

### Examples of Illicit Discharge:

- Sanitary waste water
- Septic tank effluent
- Car wash waste waters
- Motor oil disposal
- Radiator flushing disposal
- Laundry waste waters
- Leaves and yard waste

### What You Can Do....

**REPORT IT.** If you see someone dumping something into a storm drain or water body that may be pollution, you are encouraged to report it. You can do this by contacting Non-Emergency Police Dispatch at (952) 445-1411 or call City Hall at (952) 461-2777. Call 911 to report a major spill, active illegal dumping or a potential fire incident.



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**Annual Spring Clean Up**

When: Saturday, June 10, 2017  
Time: 8:00—11:00 a.m.  
Where: Elko New Market Area Hall  
601 Main Street, ENM MN 55054  
Who: Open to residents of both the City of Elko  
New Market and New Market Township

Things you can bring include furniture, household items, scrap metal, household appliances, tires, and consumer electronics. Details & fees provided on the city website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us).

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Postal Customer  
Elko New Market, MN



Residents should be aware that all dogs residing within Elko New Market city limits must be licensed with the City. Please clean up after your pet. In addition, frequent or continual barking is prohibited. Questions? Call (952) 461-2777

**June 2017 Calendar**

|    |                               |         |
|----|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1  | Planning Commission           | 7:00 pm |
| 8  | City Council Work Session     | 6:30 pm |
|    | City Council Business Meeting | 7:30 pm |
| 13 | Parks Commission              | 4:00 pm |
| 22 | City Council Work Session     | 6:30 pm |
|    | City Council Business Meeting | 7:30 pm |

**2017 Community Events**

**2017 Event Schedule**

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Spring Clean Up              | June 10    |
| 10th Anniversary Celebration | June 10    |
| Fire Rescue Days             | June 22-25 |
| Night to Unite               | August 1   |
| Halloween Party              | October 28 |

**July 2017 Calendar**

|    |                                |                     |
|----|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| 4  | Independence Day               | City Offices Closed |
| 6  | Planning Commission            | 7:00 pm             |
| 11 | Parks Commission               | 4:00 pm             |
| 13 | City Council Work Session      | 6:30 pm             |
|    | City Council Business Meeting  | 7:30 pm             |
| 27 | Economic Development Authority | 6:30 pm             |
|    | City Council Business Meeting  | 7:30 pm             |

Watch upcoming newsletters and the City website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us) for more community events as they are scheduled.

*(All meetings are subject to change.)*

