



January 2014

**SIGN UP for CITY ALERT NOTIFICATIONS**

The Nixle instant messaging system is the City’s primary means of electronically notifying residents of weather alerts, utility emergencies and other public service information. Sign up through the City’s web site or at [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com)

**Upcoming Recreation Activities**

**SPRING SOCCER**

Registration Opens      Jan 20  
Registration Closes      Feb 16  
Practice Starts              Feb 20

**SPRING BASEBALL/SOFTBALL**

Registration Opens      Jan 20  
Registration Closes      Mar 24

**January and February Meeting Schedules**

January 6, 2014	Public Safety Sub-Committee 5:30pm Parks and Recreation 6:30pm
January 7, 2014	Public Works Sub-Committee 5:30pm Planning and Zoning 7:00pm Municipal Court: 6:00 pm
January 21, 2014	ED Sub-Committee 5:30pm
January 28, 2014	<b>Board of Aldermen 7:00pm</b>
February 3, 2014	Public Safety Subcommittee, 5:30 pm Parks and Recreation, 6:00 pm
February 4, 2014	Public Works Sub-committee, 5:30 pm
February 4, 2014	Planning and Zoning, 7:00 p.m.

**Ways to pay your Platte City Utility Bill**

Did you know that you can pay with your credit or debit card? If you visit us on our website, [www.plattecit.org](http://www.plattecit.org) , go to online payments and fill out the payment information. You can also pay by phone or in person with your card. There will be a small convenience charge based on your amount of the bill.

You can also set City of Platte City up as a payee through your bank and let them send your payment to the City. Just remember the City is not yet set up for electronic bank payments, so your bank will have to mail the check to us. Give your bank 3 to 5 days to get the check to us.

If you would like for the City to automatic draft your payment out of your checking or savings account, just come in to fill out the paperwork and bring in a voided check or deposit slip.

You can pay your bills by mail, in person, or drop your payments in the drop box located off Fourth Street outside City Hall. **Call City Utilities at 858-3046 for more information about automatic payment options.**

**CONGRATULATIONS for 100% RECYCLING INCREASE**

Thanks to all Platte City residents who have been willing to take advantage of the new recycling carts. November 2013, the first month with the new carts, had a recycling volume of more than 40,000 pounds. This volume is just over a 100% increase from the 20,000 pounds collected in November of 2012. Every ton of recycling saves more than \$34/ton in land fill fees as well as bringing in almost \$30 per ton in material sales. Call Public Works at 858-4815 with any recycling questions or ideas.

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## **Be A Responsible Pet Owner**

Sharing your life with a dog or cat can be a source of great joy. However, having a pet also comes with responsibilities both to your pet and to your neighbors.. Following are a few tips for responsible pet ownership:

- Spay or Neuter your dog or cat. Contact your local veterinarian or City Hall for more information.
- Accept responsibility if your dog or cat does have a litter. Contact the Great Plains SPCA, Wayside Waifs or City Hall for assistance or more information.
- Do not abandon animals and hope for the best. Contact the Great Plains SPCA, Wayside Waifs or City Hall for assistance or more information.
- Vaccinate and license your pets. Vaccines prevent the spread of disease, licensing helps bring your pet home.
- Dog owners should be aware of their dogs barking habits. Do not allow constant barking to impact your neighbor's ability to enjoy their property. Bring barking dogs inside or train your dogs to limit their barking.
- Don't leave Christmas gifts in garages or sheds
- If your Christmas tree is in a window, don't put gifts around it until Christmas morning.

## **Business License Reminder**

Do not forget your business license. Renew without penalty before April 1, 2013. Renewal information was mailed to current licensees. If you did not receive a renewal notice or do not have a current license, please contact City Hall at (816) 858-3046 or check the web site at [www.plattecitecity.org](http://www.plattecitecity.org)

## **Pet License Reminder**

All dogs and cats over six months have a Platte City animal license. This inexpensive service protects the community from rabies and helps bring your pet home if it gets loose. Review pet license information on the City's web site or call City Hall, (816) 858-3046 for more information.

## **Christmas Tree Disposal:**

The Platte City Yard Waste Drop Off facility at the west end of Mill Street in Riverview Park will reopen to accept Christmas Trees only during daylight hours from Sat. Dec 28<sup>th</sup> through Sun, Jan 12<sup>th</sup>. Trees must have all tinsel and flock removed. The facility use is restricted to Platte City residential solid waste customers only.

## **How to prevent becoming a Identity Crime victim:**

- Shred bills, credit card receipts, bank statements, and other financial before disposing of them.
- Be careful about the information you provide when signing up for "free" offers or give away contests.
- Never give personnel information over the phone or respond to unsolicited internet information requests.
- If going on vacation have a friend pick up your mail or call the U.S. Postal Service at [1-800-275-8777](tel:1-800-275-8777) and request a vacation hold for your mail.

Call Platte City Police at 858-5150 for more tips

## **Winter Driving and Snow Routes.**

Winter weather can make driving a challenge. Be aware of the extra distance required to stop on wet, icy or snowy surface.

Please pay attention to Snow Route signs. During snow events, please do not park on designated Snow Routes. Information is on Public Works page of City website.

## **PLATTE CITY, MISSOURI NOTICE TO CANDIDATES FOR CITY OFFICES**

**Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, to elect the following City Officers:**

Mayor	Two Year Term
Aldermen, Ward 1	Two Year Term
Aldermen, Ward 2	Two Year Term
Aldermen, Ward 3	Two Year Term
Municipal Judge	Two Year Term

Filing opened December 17, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. and will close January 21, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. Those wishing to file a declaration of candidacy for an office may do so at the City Clerk's Office located at: City Hall, 400 Main Street, Platte City, Missouri, Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. The City of Platte City offices will be closed on Monday,

