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928-2240

**Hartley's Fall Clean Up** is scheduled to begin Monday, September 26th. City crews will start with collection of regular garbage followed by pick up of items not normally collected on the regular, weekly garbage route. Crews will make one pass by your residence collecting regular garbage, and one pass to collect other items.

These other items must be placed in a separate pile near the site where you place your regular garbage for weekly collection. Branches and bagged or boxed leaves should also be placed in a separate pile and placed at your curbside. Branches, tires, and white goods are typically picked up last.



We cannot pick up some items such as oil, paint, automotive parts, anything toxic, and chemicals such as weed killer and insecticides.

A fee is required for some items. All white goods (ranges, clothes washers, dryers) are \$5.00 each. Each car tire is \$5.00, truck tire \$14.00, and tractor tires are \$30.00. There is also a \$5.00 fee for each computer monitor, printer, and tower. Office copiers will be charged a \$35.00 fee.

Each television will require a fee of \$15.00. There is no charge for other electronics such as VCR's, stereos, and radios. **Construction and demolition material will require the use of a dumpster-check with City Hall for dumpster availability.**

**The Household Hazardous Material** mobile collection trailer will be available Wednesday, September 28th from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the City shop building. This service is provided for Hartley residential customers only.

**Iowa Interactive Allows Payment of Utility Bills Electronically:** Credit and debit card payments are processed on behalf of the City by **Iowa Interactive**. Payments can be made at City Hall or online and accessed from the City website, [www.hartleyiowa.com](http://www.hartleyiowa.com).

A service delivery fee will be applied to your payment based on what type of payment method you choose. The City keeps only what it is owed, the entire service delivery fee goes to Iowa Interactive, which enables City acceptance of credit cards, debit cards and e-checks. You will see "City Payment via Iowa Interactive" on your card statement.

**Curb Side Branch Collection** is the last Wednesday of each month from April through October. Only branches, leaves and grass clippings will be collected.

**City Yard Waste Dump** will be open Wednesday's and Saturday's from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Only lawn trimmings, leaves, garden and brush waste can be put there. **NO BAGS, BOXES, GARBAGE, TRASH, TIRES, BUILDINGS, SHINGLES OR LUMBER CAN BE LEFT THERE.** We ask that you please not leave garbage at the site!

**Dial 928-2345 for after-hours utility related emergencies.**

**Recycling Schedule:** September 29, October 13 and 27.

## Gas Line Leaks

While rare, natural gas line leaks can be extremely dangerous. The most telling sign of a natural gas line leak is the familiar rotten egg odor the natural gas coming into the home has. This odor is added to the natural gas so it can be detected in the event of a leak.

The biggest hazard of a gas leak is an explosion. When natural gas builds up in an enclosed area, it becomes extremely volatile. A gas build up has the potential to be explosive, or could make those in the area very sick. Gas leaks in the home can be easily prevented by ensuring gas lines are inspected regularly and installed properly by licensed professionals.

Gas leaks outside the home are dangerous as well. Most gas lines coming into the home are buried underground. Before doing any job that requires digging outside, homeowners should dial **811 for Iowa One Call** at least 48 hours before digging. The utilities will be contacted and asked to mark the lines they own. After the lines have been marked, safe, careful digging can begin.

- If you detect a strong gas odor, follow these tips:
- Do not attempt to locate the leak.
- Do not turn on **or** off any electrical appliances.
- Do not smoke or use any open flames.
- Leave the house and, from a safe distance, call the City of Hartley's Utility Emergency line at 928-2345.
- When digging outside, if a natural gas line is damaged, call the City immediately. Do not attempt to repair the line.

By following these safety tips, natural gas can continue to be a safe and efficient source of energy for the home.