



Spring Cleaning

With the mild winter we've had, the arrival of spring isn't quite as dramatic as most years. Spring or springtime by many is considered a season of rebirth or rejuvenation. Windows get washed, last fall's leaves get raked and hauled to recycling, and we wait for things to start popping up in our gardens and flower beds.

It's also a good time of the year to cleanup some of those things we may have been looking at all winter. The City of Vergas has a number of Ordinances that deal with "nuisances". They're in place to keep our City looking great, not only for those who live here, but also for those who visit.

A number of "typical" issues that the Planning Commission deals with annually, include:

- inoperable motor vehicles. All vehicles must be currently licensed.
- unlawful parking and storage. Things like fish houses, storage sheds, etc. must be 100' back from the front property line.
- building maintenance and appearance. Buildings, fences, and other structures that have been so poorly maintained that their physical condition and appearance detract from the surrounding neighborhood can be declared public nuisances.
- public health nuisances can include pet waste accumulations and garbage can/receptacles that do not close properly.
- accumulations in the open of discarded machinery, appliances, or any other material (garbage) that can create health or safety concerns.
- fires in the City of Vergas, excluding recreational fires, need proof of a DNR permit.
- Ordinances can differ between commercial and residential areas.

City Staff and members of the Planning Commission are here to answer any questions and work with you regarding these Ordinances. City staff and Planning Commission members will be conducting compliance inspections the week of May 13th. Together, let's work on making Vergas a beautiful place we all want to call home.

Bruce E. Albright, Chair
Planning and Zoning Commission



The Vergas Liquor Store

218-302-1516

MON-THU 11am- 9 pm

FRI-SAT 9am-9:55pm

SUN 11am – 5pm

Spring has sprung!
Let the fun begin
with a new
feature at VMLS...

Our new wine
fridge will have
up to 30 bottles
of wine chilled,
so you don't have
to wait to drink!

The Wine rack
was made by
local wood smith,
Shawn Day.

Find a wide
variety of chilled
wine, such as
Josh Seaswept
for \$14.99

FUN & SUN – YAY!



2024

CITY MEETINGS

To access Hybrid Meetings

Via Zoom: Meeting ID:

267 094 2170

Password 56587

or Attend In Person

@ VEC Smart Room or

Government Service Center 131 E. Main

Changes in our meetings
to be posted on the City of Vergas
website www.cityofvergas.com

And Vergas Event Center sign

If you would like to be on the agenda of any
of these meetings, please have information
to City Clerk by the Wed. before the meeting.

Vergas City Council Meeting:

Tuesday – May 14th 6:30 p.m.

Vergas Event Center

(2nd Tuesday of the month)

Planning Commission Mtg:

Monday – May 20th 6:00 p.m.

Government Service Center 131 E. Main

(4th Monday of the month)

Vergas Event Center

Advisory Board:

Tuesday– May 28th 5:30 p.m.

Vergas Event Center- Smart Room

(4th Tuesday of the month)

Park Board Meeting:

Thursday – May 23rd 3:00 p.m.

Government Service Center 131 E. Main

(4th Thursday of the month)

EDA/HRA Meeting:

Wednesday– June 5th 2:00 p.m.

Government Service Center 131 E. Main

(1st Wednesday of the month)

The City Office will be
closed Mon., May 27



MEMORIAL DAY

REMEMBER AND HONOR



Notice of 2023 Consumer Water Confidence Report

for the City of Vergas Water System is available at the City Office
 A copy of the report is posted on bulletin board in the Municipal Building lobby and
 on the web at www.cityofvergas.com.
 If you have and questions regarding this report, please contact the City Office at
 218-302-5996

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD IN YOUR DRINKING WATER

The City of Vergas found high levels of lead in drinking water in some homes. Lead can cause serious health problems. For more information, please call Julie Lammers@ 218-302-5996 or visit cityofvergas.com.

For additional information, please visit [Lead\(http://www.epa.gov/lead\)](http://www.epa.gov/lead).

Vergas Community Fund

The City of Vergas has a Community Fund for projects not covered by our city budget. Past projects included the Trail/Boardwalk, Event Center Remodel, Pickleball Courts and Veteran’s Memorial. Gifts of cash, securities and property can be accepted through the West Central Initiative. All gifts are tax deductible. Currently the City is raising funds for the following: General Fund which the Community Fund Board can spend as needed. Economic Development Fund: Funds to retain and promote business in our community, adding housing so that we prosper and increase our tax base, keeping Vergas a vital community. Event Center Fund: Funds to be used for building updates such as kitchen remodel, new roof and an accordion door to separate the bar form the large area. Park Fund: Funds to be used for upkeep and replacing buildings and providing items to increase the use and safety of our parks. The current project includes replacing the bathhouse at the Long Lake Beach Park.

Vergas Community Fund

Gifts of cash, securities and property to West Central Initiative, nonprofit 501(c)(3), designated for the Vergas Community Fund are tax-deductible.

Name(s) _____ I'd like this gift to be anonymous

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Donation to (please pick one):
 General Fund Economic Dev. Fund Event Center Fund Park Fund

Total Pledge \$ _____ Paid herewith \$ _____ Balance due \$ _____

Balance to be paid as follows: Please make check payable to : West Central Initiative
PO Box 318
Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0318

Month	Year	Amount	Include: Vergas Community Fund in the memo line
___/___	_____	\$ _____	
___/___	_____	\$ _____	

For your convenience and security please make credit card payments online at: wcf.org/give/funds/vcf

Signature _____ Date _____

2024 COMMUNITY MEETINGS

**Changes in our meetings
to be posted on the
City of Vergas website
www.cityofvergas.com**

**and on the
Vergas Event Center sign**

Community Club Meeting:

Monday – May 6th 5:30 p.m.

Vergas Event Center
(1st Monday of the month)

Vergas Arts Club:

Thursday - May 9th 2:00 p.m.

Billy’s Corner Bar & Grill
(2nd Thursday of the month)

Vergas Lions Club:

Tuesday – May 14th 5:30 p.m.

Vergas Event Center
(2nd Tuesday of the month)

2024 Save the Date

Fire & Rescue Pancake
Fundraiser- May 5

Lions Blood Drive – June 6

Shops & Hops – June 8

Downtown Art Camp - June 15

Hazardous Waste – June 20

CLIMB Theatre – June 26

Hansel & Gretel Musical

-July 8 – 13-

Looney Days - Aug. 8 - 11

Presidential Primary - Aug 13

Backroads Studio Art Crawl

-Sept. 21 –

Hairymen Festival - Sept. 28

Wine Walk – Oct. 19

CDH-Vergas

Fire & Rescue Fundraiser

– Oct. 26 -

Halloween Party – Oct. 31

General Election November 5

Festival of Trees - Nov. 23

Small Town Christmas

-Nov. 30-

Lions Club Blood Drive

Thu., June 6 12:30 – 6:30 pm

Contact: Mariann @ 701-866-4301

Register online at vitalent.org

or call 877-258-4825

Vergas Event Center

Because of You, Life Doesn’t Stop

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Thursday, June 20, 2024

10:00am – 2:00pm

121 W Linden Street

**Volunteers are needed to help
with collections!**

Please call City Office at
218-302-5996 for more info.