

# The Windmill

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### 4TH STREET CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The final leg of the improvements for 135th ST / 4th Street will begin either late April or early May. This leg of construction will mill and overlay the existing roadway surface from just south of 95th to the intersection of Ross and 4th.

Earlier this month, the City chose not to go forward with a proposed drainage project that would have been associated with the 4th Street Construction work. It was not clear whether the improvements which would have cost approximately \$240,000 would have had the desired results and with possible future upgrades needed at the intersection of 4th and Ross, the city deferred any drainage upgrades until more information can be determined and a long range plan can be put in place for improvements in the area.

Brush Dump Passes are now available for 2016 at City Hall.

Resi-	One	\$8.00
dent	Time	
Resi-	Yearly	\$25.00
dent		
Com-	One	\$50.00
mercial	Time	
Com-	Yearly	\$300.00
mercial		

Sedgwick County has informed the city that work will begin north of the rail tracks and then work south. The plan is that construction in and around the intersection of Ross and 4th would not begin until after school has let out for the summer. The cost for this leg of construction is estimated to be \$1.1 million and the total cost of improvements for the 135th Street project is estimated to be \$7.5 million when the project is completed this year.

**Brush Dump Hours**

In 2016 the County will also be working on 103rd outside of town with work on 103rd/Ross inside the city limits starting in 2017.

Tuesday	4 pm	7 pm
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Satur-	11 am	3 pm
day		

### **CROSS CONNECTION POLICY AND INFORMATION**

In accordance with Clearwater Municipal Code you are required to have a back-flow device installed and inspected for irrigation systems that are tied into municipal water supplies. Backflow devices are to be tested on a yearly basis and the result of that test should be provided to the city by the tester. Most sprinkler companies can provide this service as well as some companies that specialize in backflow devices. In 2016 the city will begin a comprehensive Cross Connection Program to identify sprinkler systems tied into the municipal water supply.

**Winter Hours:**

Close at Sunset



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SEWER DEBT SERVICE FEE

Starting in 2016, the city has enacted a Sewer Debt Service Fee. This fee is reflected on your January Utility Bill that you received. The SDSF was necessitated to pay for bonds for improvements that the city has made over the past years to handle the treatment of sewage. Thru months of discussion and several open forums the Governing Body concluded that a multi-tiered fee structure would be used to pay for the debt over the next seven years. In 2024, the SDSF will be reduced to a single rate for all users. The SDSF is broken down into four classes of users based on the average water consumption in the 1st Quarter. The classes and fees associated with usage are as follows:

- 0-2,999 gallons of average consumption – \$11.25 per month
- 3,000 – 5,999 gallons of average consumption - \$15.00 per month
- 6,000 – 10,999 gallons of average consumption - \$18.75 per month
- 11,000 and above of average consumption - \$21.75 per month



**2016 Dog Tags**

Dog Tags help in identifying owners with lost dogs as well as insuring that dogs are up to date on rabies vaccinations. Tags expire on a yearly basis and are available at City Hall starting at \$4.00. Proof of Rabies Vaccination is required and all dogs over the age of 6 months are required to be registered in the city limits.

Beginning in January 2024, the SDSF will be reduced to \$7.22 per user. The city has issued two separate bonds for the Waste Water Treatment Facility. The first bond issued in 2012 increased the capacity of the WWTF almost doubling the size at the time. The second bond issued in 2015 was necessary to help meet increased discharge limits for sewage treatment. Those improvements consisted of an aeration system to increase oxygen in the sewer lagoons as well as a recirculation system to increase the retention time sewage is stored before being discharged into the river.



**TRASH & RECYCLING CONTAINER STORAGE AND PLACEMENT**

As a reminder, Trash and Recycling Containers are to be placed curbside no earlier than 5:30 pm the day prior to collection and should be removed from curbside by no later than 8:00 pm the day of collection. Containers should be stored on non collection times at the rear or side of your house if stored outside.

If you have not done so make sure to register for the free recycling rewards program offered by Waste Connections at [www.recyclebank.com](http://www.recyclebank.com)