

FEDA ASSISTS WITH NEW MEAT LOCKER

The Fairmont Economic Development Authority (FEDA) assisted in the renovation and rejuvenation of the former Olson Locker building, located at 917 Winnebago Avenue, Fairmont. Jeff Schmidt, a previous employee of the Lakefield Locker, purchased the site, renovated the building and opened for business the end of February. Not only does the Fairmont Butcher Block provide custom butcher services, previously unavailable in Fairmont, they offer a retail meat and cheese counter for the general public. FEDA assisted this project through the Revolving Loan Fund, which aided in the creation of 4 full-time positions at the site and helped spur private investment.

"We are pleased that the City/FEDA was involved in the establishment of this new business in our community. What a nice additional offering to our citizens and those visiting our area," stated a citizen on the opening of the locker.



Have an idea for a new business? Not sure where to start?

The Fairmont Economic Development office can help you with new business development, business expansion and financing needs. Contact Linsey Preuss with any questions by calling 507.238.3925 or visit her on the second floor of City Hall, located at 100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont. We are committed to serving you.

*Dream of Building a House?
Dream no more...*

Looking for a residential lot that offers some natural vegetation for added privacy and tranquil sounds of nature? Or a lot that is located on a quiet street with minimal traffic?

Contact the City of Fairmont on the availability of several generously-sized residential lots within the newly developed Whitetail Ridge subdivision.

Break ground as soon as this summer. [Call 235.3936 for more information.](http://www.fairmont.org)

Begin building your dream home today!

Working with you during planning.....construction....completion....

The Building Department oversees all residential and commercial construction in Fairmont, including new construction and remodeling. The Department reviews building plans to ensure code compliance, issues permits, performs inspections and looks forward to working with you on your upcoming project.

Fairmont Building Department 238.3933



The 2017 cleanup dates have been set with item disposal to be handled quite similar as it was last year.

An informative flyer and disposal coupons will be mailed out, in May, to households and businesses that are charged the monthly citywide cleanup fee on their City of Fairmont public utility bills.

Cleanup events are scheduled for

June 13

June 17

September 12

September 16

Spring Safety

With winter fading into the background leaving ice and snowy road conditions nonexistent, you'd think the roads would finally be safe again. That isn't always the case.

Spring rains can bring slippery road conditions and flooding.

Slow down and drive at an increased distance behind the car in front of you.

Just as humans tend to be more active during the spring, so are animals. Some emerge from hibernation and others are entering mating season, which can mean more animals crossing streets and roaming about. Be watchful of animals, especially deer at dawn and dusk.

Spring also brings cyclists and farmers out of hibernation.

Please be watchful of motorcyclists and bicyclists sharing the streets and farmers driving slow-moving machinery on the roadways.

With summer just around the corner, citizens will be out in full-force enjoying Fairmont's chain of lakes, extensive nature trails and lush parks. If we all do our part, we can continue to keep our lakes free from pollution today and for the years to come. Please protect our lakes and community by following some of the simple suggestions below. For additional information on stormwater prevention or to report a violation, please contact Tyler Cowing, Water Resource Technician, at 235.3948.



Top 10 Easy Ways To Protect Our Lakes

1. **Never put anything** into a storm drain, lake, ditch, or creek.
2. **Always clean up** after your pet.
3. **Get a soil test** to learn the exact nutrients your lawn needs. Don't over-fertilize, fertilize the sidewalk, or fertilize before it rains. Use native plants to reduce fertilizer and pesticide use.
4. **Keep yard waste** out of storm drains, ditches, and streets. Leave grass clippings on the lawn to act as a natural fertilizer.
5. **Put litter** in the trash & reduce, reuse, recycle.
6. **Wash your car** on the grass or take it to a commercial carwash.
7. **Recycle used auto fluids**, like oil and antifreeze, at an auto parts store or waste facility.
8. **Dispose of chemicals**, like paint and pesticides, at Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.
9. **Check your** vehicle for leaks and repair them.
10. **Tell a friend or neighbor** how they can help protect our waterways too!

FAIRMONT YOU are the Solution to Stormwater Pollution!



City Council

Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays at 5:30 pm
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Ruth Cyphers	236-2710	Ward 2
Jim Zarling	238-9303	Ward 3
Wayne Hasek	235-3974	Ward 4

City Hall

Office hours Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
100 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont

Mike Humpal	238-3936	City Administrator
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Paul Hoyer	238-3934	Finance Director
Patty Monsen	238-3935	City Clerk
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