

City of Mountain Lake & Mountain Lake Municipal Utilities Newsletter

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<u>City Hall Hours</u> 9AM — 4PM Monday — Friday 24 Hour Drop Box

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Power Outage or Service Disruption?



Power outage or a water/sewer disruption at your home or business during normal business hours? If during business hours (8:00AM - 4:30PM) call the Utilities Office Manager at 507-427-2999 ext.6. If there is not an immediate answer, leave a voicemail and call Cottonwood County Dispatch at 507-831-1957 to report your outage or disruption.

Power outage or a water/sewer disruption at your home or business after normal business hours? If out of normal business hours (business hours are 8:00AM -4:30PM), please call Cottonwood County Dispatch at 507-831-1957 to report your outage or disruption. There is no utility staff present at city hall out of business hours.

For emergency situations (such as a fire, live wires on the ground, etc.), please call 911.

City-Wide Clean-Up Information

Please see the additional enclosed sheet with city-wide clean-up information. City-wide clean-up will be May 1, 2021



2021 Golf Cart Permits Now Available!

A golf cart permit is needed to operate a golf cart on city streets. Permits are \$10. Stop by city hall to fill out the permit application and pay the \$10 fee. Please bring proof of insurance. See below for more details.



SECTION 11.09 MOTORIZED GOLF CARTS.

Subdivision 1. Definition

Motorized Golf Cart A small battery or gas powered three or four-wheeled vehicle primarily used for transporting one or two golfers and their equipment.

Subdivision 2. Requirements.

It is unlawful for any person to operate a motorized golf cart on the roadway of a street unless:

The operator has in possession a valid, current and unrevoked permit from the city;

The operation is on a roadway which has not been designated as prohibited for this type of operation, except crossing at an intersection;

The operation is from one-half hour after sunrise to one-half hour before sunset;

The operation is not during inclement weather, nor when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog, or other conditions, nor when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons or vehicles thereon at a distance of 500 feet;

The operation occurs when visibility is not impaired by weather, smoke, fog or other conditions such that there is sufficient light to see persons or vehicles thereon at a minimum distance of 500 ft.

The motorized golf cart displays a slow moving vehicle emblem on the rear thereof;

The motorized golf cart is equipped with rear view mirrors;

The operator has insurance coverage as provided by statute;

The operator observes all traffic laws, except those, which cannot reasonably be applied to motorized golf carts;

The operator has a valid Driver's License;

The motorized golf cart has a valid permit affixed to and prominently displayed on it.

CITY OF MOUNTAIN LAKE BUILDING PERMITS

What's a building permit?

A building permit gives you legal permission to start construction of a building project in accordance with approved drawing and specifications.

What good does a permit do?

Your home or business is an investment. If your construction project does not comply with the codes adopted by the city or the state, the value of your investment could be reduced. Property insurers may not cover work done without permits and inspections. Your permit also allows the code official to protect the public by reducing the potential hazards of unsafe construction and ensuring public health, safety, and welfare. By following code guidelines, your completed project will meet minimum standards of safety and will be less likely to cause injury to you, your family, your friends, or future owners.

 \Rightarrow Garage doors

Permits are not required for:

changes to piping)

 \Rightarrow Replacing same size windows or doors

 \Rightarrow Painting, papering, and similar finish work

 \Rightarrow Swapping in new sinks, toilets, bathtubs (no

When do I need a permit?

Permits are required for:

- \Rightarrow Shingling and roofing
- \Rightarrow Siding
- \Rightarrow New house
- \Rightarrow Any new additions
- \Rightarrow Egress windows
- \Rightarrow Fences
- ⇒ Decks
- ⇒ Mechanical items (furnace, air conditioner, rooftop unit, fire place, etc.)
- ⇒ Plumbing items (adding new fixtures or changing piping)
- \Rightarrow Attached or detached garages
- \Rightarrow All commercial work
- ⇒ Moving buildings onto property lot (house, shed, garage, etc.)
- ⇒ Any exterior structural change to a building including changing door or window size or location
- ⇒ Any interior remodeling that includes moving walls, sheetrock, insulation, plumbing, finishing basements (tiling or water proofing), etc.
- ⇒ Storage sheds or buildings 200 square feet or larger (under 200 sq feet only requires a zoning permit)

How do I begin the permit process?

Permit documents can be picked up at City Hall or viewed on the city's website. Return the permit and any other required documents to City Hall. Once approved by city staff and the city's building inspector, work can begin. <u>Please call City Hall or the building inspector directly to schedule needed inspections or a final inspection.</u> If a project is not inspected, the permit remains open leading to potential hazards, unsafe construction, or potential property insurer issues. Beginning a project without a valid permit could lead to a fine twice the permit cost. For any questions, please contact the city administrator at 507-427-2999 x1.

Type of PermitPermit FeeSiding/Shingles\$45Fence\$25Mechanical\$15Deck\$15Building (interior remodel, de-Based on evaluation.

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tached garage, additions,	
porches, egress windows)	
Moving Permit	Actual Costs

