

# Community Connections

Your hometown utility newsletter



## Village of Fairmont

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## Village of Fairmont Contacts

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[www.fairmont-nebraska.org](http://www.fairmont-nebraska.org)

Listed below are the assignments for each trustee. Trustees welcome constructive thoughts, suggestions for improvements and new ideas. Please feel free to contact them.

**Chairperson: Gene Fischer ..... 402-268-4961**

(Police/Overall Village Operations)

**Trustees: Don Moses..... 402-268-7341 (Parks)**

**Bill Pfenning ..... 402-366-5790 (Village Hall & Utilities)**

**Jack Slocum Jr. ... 402-268-4631 &**

**Jimmy Tol ..... 402-363-9007**

(Maint. Dept.—streets, alleys & signs)

Village Board Meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

**Village Hall 268-3341**

**Maintenance Shop 268-3251**

**Police Department 268-7611**

**Library 268-6081**

## New utility bills to include more information

In the near future your current utility bill will have a new look with additional information. The Village Board of Trustees is working in conjunction with NEON-Link to offer you the convenience of online bill notification, review of the bill online and online bill payment. You will be able to access these features from a computer, tablet or smart phone.

Your current postcard bill will be replaced with a full-page bill. The new full-page bill will show

the information which is currently on your postcard bill and will also show usage graphs. Through the NEONLink site you will also be able to have access to various energy savings suggestions and an energy calculator.



## Village maintenance personnel update

The Village Board of Trustees recently hired Dan Slocum as Maintenance Technician II.

Dan and his wife Kylee have a 14-month-old daughter, Harper. Dan is active in the Fairmont Volunteer Fire Department, an EMT on the Fairmont Rescue Unit Squad and Trustee for the Fairmont Community United Methodist Church. Dan is working toward his paramedic license. Kylee is employed at Tiny Images Day Care.

Dan joins Lynn West, who has been with the Village since June 2014 as a Maintenance Technician

I. Lynn and his wife Selina have two children—four-year-old Chloe and 10-month-old Morgan. Lynn is active in the Fairmont Volunteer Fire Department and the Fairmont American Legion. Selina is employed at Department of Health and Human Services for the State of Nebraska.

Dan and Lynn join long standing Utility Superintendent Butch Long and part-time seasonal maintenance employees Jim Snodgrass and Delron Korbek to keep the village “up and running”.

## Fairmont Public Library News

by Wanda Marget

### Library Events

- Every first Monday of the month is LEGO Night starting at 7 p.m.
- Every second Monday of the month is Quilting Night starting at 7 p.m.
- Watch for future programming dates!

Call (402) 268-6081  
or email the Library at  
[wmarget@galaxycable.net](mailto:wmarget@galaxycable.net)

### Library Hours

**Mondays** - 8 a.m.-noon, 1-5:30 p.m.; 6:30-9 p.m.  
**Wednesdays** - 6:30-9 p.m.  
**Fridays** - 1-5:30 p.m.  
**Saturdays** - 8 a.m.-Noon

**Free Wi-Fi hot spot!**

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# Marshal's Notes

by Steven McLeish



## Village notes

### Concealed handgun permit process

In 2006, the Nebraska Unicameral passed LB454 creating the Concealed Handgun Permit Act.

The law allowing an individual to obtain a permit to carry a concealed handgun in accordance with the Act took effect Jan. 1, 2007.

Applicants who have completed an approved handgun training course and a Concealed Handgun Permit Application, can present the application and necessary documentation in person to the Nebraska State Patrol. The Application can be downloaded online from the Nebraska State Patrol official website.

Nebraska requires armed conceal carry permit holders to advise law enforcement officers—officers who are acting in an official capacity—that they are conceal carry permit holders and that they are armed.

In advising the officer that you are an armed concealed carry permit holder I suggest you do the following:

- Wait until there is a lull in the situation, so the officer is not distracted from the task at hand.
- Wait until the officer is facing you.

### Closest State Patrol Offices

#### Investigative Service Center Criminal Identification Division

3800 NW 12th Street, Suite A  
Lincoln, NE 68521  
Phone (402) 471-4545

#### Troop C – Grand Island

3431 Old Potash Highway  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
Phone (308) 385-6000

Office hours for both are  
Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

- Make eye contact
- Keep your hands in plain view
- Inform the officer you are a conceal carry permit holder and you are presently armed.
- Tell him where on your person your weapon and permit card is located
- With the officer's consent, retrieve you conceal carry permit
- If the officer directs you to surrender your weapon and/or submit to temporary detention—cooperate fully.

### In case of an outage...

If you experience a utility outage outside of normal business hours, call Utility Superintendent Butch Long at (402) 268-4731, Maintenance Tech Lynn West at (402) 366-0315 (please send a text message if no answer) or Maintenance Tech Dan Slocum at (402) 646-5002 (please send a text message if no answer). If no one answers please contract Trustee Jack Slocum at (402) 268-4631 or Trustee Bill Pfenning at (402) 366-5790.



### Utility bill payment options & budget billing

The Village offers ACH payment of utility bills. With this service, no matter where you bank, you can have your utility bill payment automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account.

The village has also contacted with an online payment company to offer credit card payments. For more information on these payment options or budget billing, please contact the Village Clerk at (402) 268-3341.

### Please Recycle responsibly!

All residents are encouraged to take advantage of the compartmentalized recycling trailer which is located just south of the existing semi recycling trailer at corner of 1st Ave. and E Street. Please pay attention to the signage on each trailer to assist you with the proper placement of your recyclable.

Items for the compartmentalized recycling trailer include newspapers, magazines, tin cans, aluminum cans, #1 and #2 plastics and corrugated cardboard. Please flatten out your cardboard boxes. Paperboard (cake mix box, etc.) is not accepted.

