VILLAGE OF LODGEPOLE NEWS February 2023



 **Village Update**

* Updated dog ordinance available on Lodgepole’s Website.

<https://lodgepolene.com>

* Board Chairman RJ Savely nominated Abbie Brott to fill the vacancy on Lodgepole’s Village Board of Trustees. Abbie’s nomination was unanimously approved by all current board members and she will be sworn in at the February Board Meeting.
* Chlorine was added to the new Village Water Tower (water is safe to drink). This was a one-time requirement by the State of Nebraska. Hereafter Lodgepole’s water will continue to be chlorine free.
* Salon floor was completed, by Village volunteers.
* Employment opportunities available, call Katie at the Village office for more information, or visit the Lodgepole Website <https://lodgepolene.com>
	+ Library Custodian
	+ Librarian/Director
	+ Utility Superintendent/Utility Assistant

**Lodge Pole or Lodgepole**

The town of Lodgepole was named Lodge Pole in in 1867 by the Union Pacific Railroad after the creek of the same name. Lodgepole Creek was named because the Indians cut poles for their tepees from trees along the bank. The postal department changed the name to Lodgepole in 1895 at the request of the postmaster. The railroad continued the two word spelling for many years.

* Lodgepole was founded in 1867
* Platted or mapped in 1884
* Incorporated in 1901

The Village of Lodgepole Board of Trustees is currently exploring options to improve and develop businesses along highway 30. The current focus is the dilapidated motel located on the west side of town.

**Reminder**

Community Action forms, as well as citizen Complaint forms, are available at Village Office.

Per village ordinance, your pets must be licensed dog tags are available at the village office. Registration is $4.00 per dog. Offroad vehicles also need to be registered if driven on public roads. Your cooperation in these matters is appreciated.

Village Office Hours – 8:00 pm – 12:00 pm, 630 Orchard Street Lodgepole, NE 69149 (308) 483-5353

**Village Happenings**

**VISIONS**

The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 6, 2023,

@ 6 pm at the Panther Activity Center.   Election of officers.  Anyone is welcome to attend!

**Book Club** meets the third Wednesday of each month at the Panther Activity Center. We will be discussing December’s book – Natchez Burning at the February meeting. January’s meeting was cancelled due to the weather. February’s read - Paper Girl of Paris by Jordyn Taylor March – 1984 by George Orwell April – The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave May – The Personal Librarian by Heather Terrell

Please call Katie at the Village Office for more information.

**Lions Club**

Please join us February 13th at 6:30 for our monthly meeting at the Lodgepole Community Hall. The Lions Club is currently seeking new members.

**Lodgepole Community Fund**

Valentine’s Day is a day to remember, cherish and honor the ones you love. Maybe you get someone flowers, chocolates or take them out to dinner. Maybe you stop by to say hello or visit a bit. Maybe you text a quick message or call them. Or maybe you buy them a gift card to the local coffee shop. There are many ways to say – I love and appreciate you. Maybe you give a donation to the Lodgepole Community Fund in their honor – it is super easy, - just go online to: <https://www.nebcommfound.org/give/lodgepole-community-fund>. Honoring someone with a donation to the community they live, work and play is a great way to support your local community and acknowledge the special people in your life. Contact Gwen Devie, 308-249-0286, glsilver82@gmail.com or PO Box 266, Lodgepole, NE 69149.

**Library**

The library is undergoing staffing changes so please check with the Village office for hours of operation in February.

**The Lodgepole Panther Activity Center Hosts Sydney Public Library Bookmobile**

Dates Time

1-31st 11:45- 12:15

2-14th & 2-28th

3-14th & 28th

4-14th & 4-28th

5-9th

Call the library at 308-254-3110 if you have question or requests.

**Village Board of Trustees**

RJ Savely – Chairperson, Gwen Devi – Vice Chairperson,

Brenda Parsons – Board Member, Ron Shellhorn – Board Member

[https://ldgepolene.com/](https://lodgepolene.com/)

Village Board of Trustees meet the first Tuesday of each month. Meeting are held at the Village Office/Panther Activity Center, 630 Orchard St. The Public is welcome to attend.

“*This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.”*

**Museum**

Meeting Date – February 20

Location & Time – To Be Determined

If you would like more info on the museum, please call 3084835774 and leave a message, we will get back to you as soon as possible.