

Norway News

Spring 2025

March 26th, 2025

THE “MOW”-MENT OF TRUTH!

Ordinance No. 317 states: Allowing any plant to grow uncultivated and out of context with the surrounding plant life when such plant has a seed head formed or is forming and with a height of 8 inches or more is not allowed. Allowing grass to grow unattended with a consistent height of 8 inches or more is not allowed.

Erosion Control: Areas are to be maintained by the property owner or tenant and cannot be sprayed or applied to any total vegetation eliminator such as round-up or other vegetation eliminator that

would cause the erosion of soil. For the full version of all ordinances please visit www.norwayiowa.com.

**All ordinances are subject to change so please stay up to date by reviewing ordinances on the City's website and/or Council Meeting Minutes.



BURNING LEAVES?

Ordinance No. 325

Open burning of **leaves only** shall be permitted from April 15th-May 15th & October 15th-November 15th between 10am and 5pm unless superseded by a higher authority. All other yard waste must be transported to the city yard waste site on South Street. No tree limbs larger than 6" in diameter.

Burning shall be conducted in a safe and reasonable manner. No fire shall be kindled when wind velocity exceeds 15mph. Burning material shall be constantly looked after by a person familiar with open burning regulations. You may only burn on your own property, and it is not permitted in any city rights-of-way which include streets, ditches, easements, and alleys. Do not blow leaves or grass into the streets.





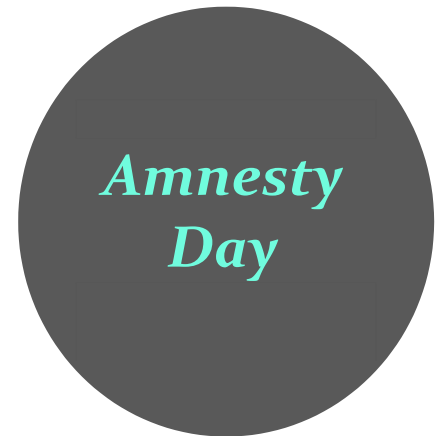
CITY WIDE CLEAN UP DAY

Save the date for Saturday May 3rd, 2025, for Amnesty Day!

The City of Norway partners with Johnson County Refuse annually to offer Amnesty Day, also known as city wide clean-up day, to allow residents of Norway to bring unwanted items to the city maintenance shed located on South Street.

You may bring your unwanted items on Saturday May 3rd between the hours of 6:30am-10:00am to be discarded. Items that will **NOT** be accepted are as follows: hazardous waste, construction or demolition materials, or yard waste.


Items accepted at a cost include tires, household appliances, televisions, computer monitors, copiers, and printers. Please note that the Amnesty Day is for current residents of Norway only. Outside drop-offs will not be accepted.





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Information You Should Know

 **Golf cart fees for 2025 are due!** April 30th, 2025 is the deadline to pay your annual \$25.00 to operate your cart on city streets. Once payment is received you will get your 2025 permit sticker to be displayed visibly on your cart for the remainder of the year. You must also display your golf cart number, a safety flag, and a slow-moving vehicle sign on your cart. New golf carts must be registered with City Hall and a fee of \$50.00 is due at the time of registration. Anyone who does not pay their fee by the deadline will receive notice from the city that you will not be able to operate your cart until the fee is paid. Please remit your payment by cash, check, or money order at City Hall. You may utilize the payment box outside of regular business hours. Otherwise, you can sign up to have your golf cart fee paid automatically. Please contact City Hall for an ACH form. Please remember that golf carts are not allowed to be driven along Railroad Street. You can find the full golf cart ordinance in Chapter 76 of the Norway Code of Ordinances.

 **Upgrading your property?** You will likely need a building permit! Chapter 155 in the Norway Code of Ordinances outlines building regulations and which projects require a permit. Some of those projects include but are not limited to new homes or additions to homes, garages – new or additions, decks or porches, swimming pools and hot tubs, solar collectors, accessory buildings and sheds, retaining walls, fences, driveway surfacing, sidewalks – replacement or new, and culverts – additions or extensions. Most projects require lot lines to be located. Please contact City Hall to inquire about your building projects!

 **Parking Regulations Reminder:** Chapter 69.07 of the Norway Code of Ordinances outlines parking regulations within city limits. Motor vehicle parking and storage is not permitted in any front or side yard and must be parked on a **hard surface** such as a concrete pad or driveway. Ordinance No. 336 amends section 69.05 and states that no person shall park a vehicle upon public property for more than 72 hours. Please also ensure that your vehicle's registration is up to date.

 **Looking for an easier, stress-free way to pay your utility bill?** Contact City Hall to sign up for automatic withdrawal from your bank account. This is done on the 10th of every month. Otherwise, utility bill payments are due by the 20th of every month.


 **Want to Receive Newsletters & Utility Bills via Email?** Contact City Hall to provide your email address to receive newsletters and/or your monthly utility bill!

!Questions or Concerns for the City Council? City Council meetings are on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 5:30pm in the Norway Public Library.



Norway Rec Baseball & Softball Signups



 Signups are now open through May! Please enter this link online:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScXK_B_jyTocAi8CeR9voYfdzBFbd2dKrk6T3zL5pjoeb9OXA/viewform?usp=header

Or contact Aric Becker at 319-721-8884.



Norway Farmer's Market



402 w Railroad St. – Vendors, Farmers, & Crafts

215 w Railroad St. – Food Trucks

Every 2nd Saturday, April through October 2025

9am-noon

Norway Public Library

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Susie Hahn, Director

Library Hours

Monday: 9:00-1:00

Tuesday: 11:00-6:00

Wednesday: 1:00-4:00

Thursday: 11:00-6:00

Friday: 9:00-12:00

Saturday: 9:00-12:00

Thank you:

I could say thank you over and over again and it still would not convey the gratefulness that I have for the people in Norway who continually support our library! In large and small ways – it all helps! Thanks!

Weekly Programs:

Wednesday 2-4pm: Crafts, games, challenges, reading and snacks for kids!

Fridays at 10am: Coffee and Conversation!

New Books:

Recently ordered books for kids:

-Attack of the Cheez Funk Breath; Mallory and the Trouble with Twin; The School for Wicked Witches #1 & 2; The Pigeon wants a puppy; The Pigeon will ride

the roller coaster; Will the Pigeon Graduate?

Adult books on order: Beach Vibes by Susan Mallery; Broken Country by Clare Leslie Hall; Count my Lies; Fight or Flight by Fern Michaels; On the Hunt by Iris Johansen; The Summer Guests by Tess Gerritsen; The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon; Onyx Storm by Rebecca Yarros and other books!

If you have any recommendations, please send them my way!

Library Trivia:

There are 544 libraries in the state of Iowa of which 75% are in communities of 2499 or less. In the state of Iowa there are over 1.8 million registered users who have circulated over 16 million items. Amazing!

Summer Reading Program

This year's theme is Level Up at Your Library. Since play is one of the ways we learn to relate to others and foster friendships, the program will be based

around games, puzzles, challenges, reading and crafts. We will have the Blank Park Zoo bringing some animals July 19th and all sorts of programs coming up. Keep watch for more information!

Easter Egg Hunt:

The Norway Community Organization will be hosting an Easter Egg hunt Saturday April 12th at 2:00 pm at the Norway park. The library will have craft activities and refreshments for the kids. If you would like to donate some cookies, please drop me a note or give me a call. Thanks!

Adult craft night: A craft night was recently held and Oh what fun!! Happy Easter!

