



City Waves

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South Haven reminds residents and visitors of pet rules

As more residents and visitors enjoy the outdoors, the City of South Haven wants to remind everyone of the rules governing pets to ensure a safe, fun summer for all.

“Our City Code establishes rules that are designed to protect both people and pets,” said South Haven Police Chief Natalie Thompson. “We expect pet owners to take responsibility for their pets, which means keeping dogs on a leash when taking walks and making sure your pet is properly restrained to your property. “While you may see your pet as a playful puppy, a toddler or senior citizen may have a different view. We encourage all pet owners to understand and respect the rules we have established.”

Section 6 of the City Code lays out pet and animal regulations, including:

- ◆ Animals are not allowed outside of their owner’s property unless they are under “reasonable control”
- ◆ Animals are not allowed on the sand at any public beach
- ◆ Animals are only allowed in public parks if led by a leash
- ◆ Animals may not run at large through streets, roadways, or trails
- ◆ Yards should be fenced or animals should be on a leash or otherwise restrained from leaving their yards
- ◆ Noisy animals, such as barking dogs, may not cause “unreasonable interference or annoyance” to sleep or neighborhood quiet
- ◆ Animals are not allowed to trespass on or damage or destroy property
- ◆ All dogs more than six months old must be licensed & vaccinated
- ◆ Animals should not be confined to unattended motor vehicles
- ◆ Animals known to be vicious or harmful are not permitted

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THIS MONTH



July:

Meetings

1	City Council	7:00 pm
8	L DFA and Brownfield	4:00 pm
9	Parks Commission	7:00 pm
11	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
15	City Council	7:00 pm
15	ZBA (Special)	7:00 pm
16	Harbor Commission	5:30 pm
17	DDA (Special)	12:00 pm
22	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm
29	BPU / SHAWSA	4:00 pm

**Please confirm dates, times
& location before attending.

**CITY HALL will be CLOSED for
Independence Day—July 4th**

Pet rules (continued)

Violators of these regulations face the potential of civil or criminal charges, fines or imprisonment. Members of the public should call 269-637-5151 to report a loose or dangerous animal or allegations of abuse or neglect.

“South Haven law enforcement has always been very proactive when it comes to the welfare of both people and animals,” Thompson said. “We want to ensure that our parks, beaches and streets are safe for everyone, people and pets alike. Working together and respecting the rules, we can all have a safer summer.”

To read the complete section of the city code of ordinances governing pets, go to Chapter 6: ANIMALS; Article I. IN GENERAL; Sec. 6-1 through 6-56 on the city website: <http://www.south-haven.com>.

Cross connection control reminder

NEXT MONTH



August:

Meetings

1	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
5	City Council	7:00 pm
7	DDA	12:00 pm
12	L DFA and Brownfield	4:00 pm
13	Parks Commission	7:00 pm
19	City Council	7:00 pm
20	Harbor Commission	5:30 pm
26	BPU / SHAWSA	4:00 pm
26	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm

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**National Blueberry Festival
August 8th—11th**

The South Haven Area Water & Sewer Authority has contracted with HydroCorp of Troy, MI to perform the State Mandated Cross Connection Control Program. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter. The purpose of the Cross-Connection Control Program is to help eliminate possible contamination of the public water distribution system. There are two required components of the program; 1) site inspection and 2) testing of backflow prevention assemblies.

As part of this program, a survey of the internal water system at your property will be completed. Inspectors will be reviewing the water system immediately around your water meter in your basement and on the outside of your home for connections that could contaminate the water distribution system. There are no fees for the inspection(s); however, any costs associated with the installation, replacement or modification of backflow prevention assemblies and devices, or any other work required for compliance are the responsibility of the property owner.

For more information on the cross connection control program, please contact Public Works Director Bill Hunter at (269) 637-0719, or at bhunter@south-haven.com.

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