

January 2026

City of Madelia



New Emergency Weather and Emergency Alerts Provider

Watonwan County has partnered with ReGroup Emergency Notifications to offer a free service that alerts residents about emergencies, such as missing persons, bomb threats, chemical spills, or severe weather.

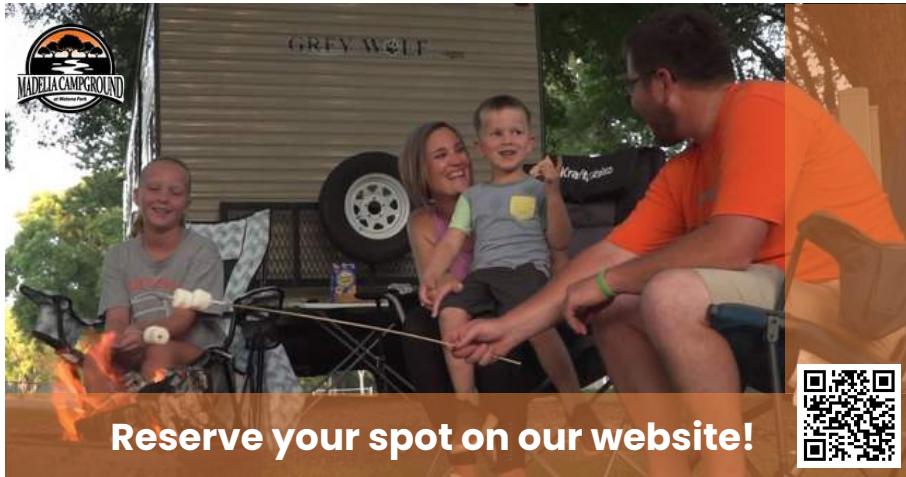
Residents are encouraged to register online or by calling 507-375-5841 for assistance. Required information includes name, physical address (no P.O. boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number. All residents, especially those with unlisted numbers or recent changes to contact information, should register. The system uses addresses for accurate notifications and works for cell phones as well.

Data collected is solely for emergency purposes, and **those previously signed up for Code Red must also register for ReGroup**. For inquiries, contact the Watonwan County Emergency Management Office at 507-375-5841.



Campground Reservations Open January 1st!

Already thinking ahead to Park Days? Get ready to reserve your camping spot at 8 am on January 1st at Madelia Campground.



Reserve your spot on our website!

Recycling Service Change for 2026

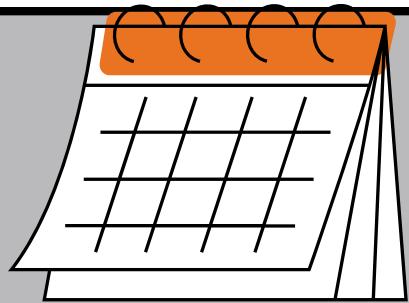


All residential recycling will be provided by West Central Sanitation starting January 1st. Pick up will occur bi-weekly. Please reach out to City Hall for a calendar.

Please note: Businesses will be allowed to choose their own provider, as they do with trash.

January Calendar

- 1/1: City Hall Closed for New Years Day
- 1/12: City Council
- 1/19: City Hall Closed for MLK Jr Day
- 1/26: City Council and EDA



Smart Salting Tips for a Safer Winter!

A little salt goes a long way—a light sprinkle works just as well and helps protect our concrete, pets, plants, and local waterways.

Timing matters:

- Apply salt before snow/ice sticks, or
- Apply after shoveling for easier melting.

How much is enough?

Believe it or not, one 12-oz coffee mug of salt can cover about 20 feet of sidewalk!

Know the temperature:

Salt stops working below 15°F. When it's that cold, switch to sand for traction instead.

Protect our sidewalks:

Using too much salt can damage concrete. With the new stretch of sidewalk on South Center and portions of Main Street, let's help keep them in great shape for years to come.

Let's all do our part to stay safe and protect our community this winter!