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- **June 30 Pinochle Tournament:** Every Tuesday, 7 p.m., Watertown Senior Activity Center, 26 First Ave. SW | New tournament every Tuesday night at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. \$10 entry fee. Come early to get registered prior to game time. Open to the public. For more information, call 605-886-7063.
- **June 30 250th Declaration of Independence Seminar:** Tuesday, 7:15-8:15 p.m., Element, 1 N. Broadway | Celebrate the spirit of America's founding exploring the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Bill of Rights as we approach the anniversary of our nation's independence. Join Tommy Mattingly and Nancy Turbak Berry for engaging conversations that connect the ideals of America's beginnings to the freedoms and responsibilities we experience today.
- **June 30-July 2 Legacy Hockey - Hockey Camp:** Tuesday-Thursday, 8 a.m. - 3:45 p.m., Prairie Lakes Ice Arena, 3015 First Ave. NE | Sessions for Boys & Girls levels: Squirt/10U, PeeWee/12U, Bantam/14U. Format: on ice sessions twice daily, off ice workouts, stickhandling, and classroom sessions. Register at <https://www.watertownice.com/171/Events-Tournaments>.
- **July 1 Teen Anime Club:** Wednesday, 3:30-6 p.m., Watertown Regional Library, 160 Sixth St. NE | Meet in the Community Room.
- **July 1 Concert on Kemp:** Wednesday, 6-9 p.m., Kemp Ave. Downtown | Hooray for the Red, White & Blue! This family-friendly event, coordinated by the Downtown Watertown Collective, will include a Maker's Market, fire trucks, food and beverage options and the opportunity for attendees to show up wearing something "white!" The "white" concert will feature The Amdahl Brothers. Bring your own lawn chairs!
- **July 1 Northern Prairie Arts Monthly Meeting:** Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Danger Von Dempsey's ATY, 550 E. Airport Dr. | All interested parties welcome. Volunteers and ideas are always needed - we can find a task that matches your talents and availability!
- **July 1 Navigating the Road Ahead: Senior Driving & Caregiver Support:** Wednesday, 7 p.m., Watertown Event Center, 1901 Ninth Ave. SW | Watertown Area Memory Care & Aging Network is hosting "Navigating the Road Ahead: Senior Driving & Caregiver Support" by Matt Hegg and Alexis Buysse, Community Engagement, Watertown Police Department. Meetings are free and open to the public.
- **July 1 Law & Government - Summer Programs for Children:** Wednesday, 2:30-5:30 p.m., Codington County Heritage Museum, 27 First Ave. SE | The Law & Government

Summer Programs for Children offer an engaging opportunity for elementary-aged students to learn about the legislative process. Participants will explore how laws are created and have the chance to draft and enact their own laws in a collaborative environment with their peers. If you plan to bring more than five children, please contact us in advance, 605-886-7335.

- **July 1 Senior Center Dance:** Wednesday, 7-9:30 p.m., Watertown Senior Activity Center, 26 First Ave. SW | Theme: 4th of July/Camping! Dance the night away to Drifting Shadows. For more information, call 605-886-7063.
- **July 2 Grades 6-7 Stick Around and Create:** Thursday, 2-3:30 p.m., Watertown Regional Library, 160 Sixth St. NE | For kids going into grades 6th and 7th. Bring your own items to craft or choose from a selection of crafting materials provided. We will also have coloring materials available. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Meet in the Community Room.
- **July 2 Teen Hangout:** Thursday, 3:30-6 p.m., Watertown Regional Library, 160 Sixth St. NE | Meet in the Community Room.
- **July 2 Celebrate Recovery:** Thursday, 6-8:30 p.m., Midwest Bible Camp, 1500 SD Hwy 20 | Recovery support group. Christ-centered 12-step recovery meetings with worship, teaching, and open share groups. Free childcare is provided.
- **July 3 Trivia Night:** Friday, 7 p.m., Danger von Dempsey's ATY, 550 E. Airport Dr. | Weekly free trivia competition. Test your knowledge at Trivia Night!
- **July 4 Fourth of July Parade and Fireworks:** Saturday, 1:45 p.m., Downtown Watertown, Kemp Ave. | Candy and frisbee toss at 1:45 p.m. Parade starts at 2 p.m. Parade route begins at Kemp Ave. and Fourth Street and continues West to the Watertown Stadium. Lineup starts at 11 a.m. Come to the Anza Soccer Complex (1620 17th St. SE) at 5 p.m. for inflatables and concessions. The fireworks display will begin at sundown. *The Anza Soccer Complex is an alcohol-free facility.* This event is organized by the Watertown Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Watertown.
- **July 4 Dance at the Masonic Center:** No dance tonight.
- **July 5 Praise in the Park:** Sunday, 9 a.m., Watertown Area Community Foundation Plaza, 217 E. Kemp Ave. | Mercy Tree will host Praise in the Park. All are welcome. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. This event is organized by the Downtown Watertown Collective.
- **July 5 Watertown Municipal Band:** Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Foundation Plaza, 217 E. Kemp Ave. | The Municipal Band will perform on Sunday evenings now through July 19. Weather permitting. These concerts are free and open to everyone. Bring your lawn chair! ☺

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

WHAT: Public Input Meeting on Permit Application for Crowned Ridge Energy Storage I, LLC for a Permit for an Energy Conversion Facility in Waverly Township, Codington County, South Dakota

WHEN AND WHERE: Wednesday, July 1, 2026 - 6:00 p.m. CT
Waverly South Shore School Gymnasium,
319 Mary Place, Waverly, S.D.

Pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-41B, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) will hold a public input meeting at the above time and place on an application to construct an energy conversion facility, specifically a 120 MW four-hour duration battery energy storage system and associated facilities (Project) in Section 11, Township 118 North, Range 51 West in Codington County, S.D. Associated facilities will include fencing, roads, and a supervisory control and data acquisition system. Construction is proposed to begin in 2027 and be completed in 2028.

The purpose of the public input meeting will be to hear public comments regarding the Application and the Project. At the meeting, the Applicant, Crowned Ridge Energy Storage I, LLC, will present a brief description of the Project, after which interested persons may appear and present their views, comments, and questions regarding the Application. A copy of the Application is on file with the Codington County Auditor and at the Commission's office in Pierre. The Application and all other documents in the docket, including detailed maps of the Project, may be accessed on the Commission's website at puc.sd.gov under Commission Actions, Commission Dockets, Electric Dockets, 2026 Electric Dockets, EL26-014.

Pursuant to SDCL 49-41B-17 and ARSD 20:10-22-40, the parties to this proceeding are currently the Applicant and the Commission Staff. Each municipality, county, and governmental agency in the area where the facility is proposed to be sited, or any person residing in the area where the facility is proposed to be sited, or any directly interested person, may be granted party status in this proceeding by making timely written application to the Commission. Applications for party status will be available at the public input meeting or may be obtained from the Commission's website. Applications for party status must be filed with the Commission on or before 5:00 p.m., CT, July 13, 2026. The Commission will also accept comments in writing, either by mail, personal delivery, or e-mail until the time of the decision. You only need to apply for party status if you want to participate formally in the case by providing testimony or other factual evidence, conducting discovery, cross-examining witnesses, making legal arguments, and to preserve your right to appeal to the courts if you do not believe the Commission's decision is legally correct. You do not need to have party status in order to submit written comments.

Following the public input meeting, the Commission may schedule a formal evidentiary hearing conforming to SDCL Chapter 1-26 to consider issues raised by any party or the Commission itself. At such a formal hearing, all parties will have the opportunity to appear, present evidence, and cross-examine the other parties' witnesses and exercise all other rights afforded by SDCL Chapters 1-26, 49-1, and 49-41B and ARSD Chapters 20:10-01 and 20:10-22, including rights of appeal to the courts.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, this meeting will be held in a physically accessible location. Please contact the Public Utilities Commission at (605) 773-3201 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting if you have special needs so arrangements can be made to accommodate you.

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