



Deephaven News

"Information for Residents"

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City Hall Hours:
September 2nd to May 23rd
 Monday to Friday 8am to 4:30pm
 Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

"Summer" Hours
May 27th to August 29th
 Mon to Thurs 8am to 5pm
 Fridays 8am to 12noon
 Closed Saturday, Sunday and
 Holidays.



4th of July Celebration in Deephaven at the Cottagewood General Store!

Parade participants follow the same route taken today as participants did during that very first parade over 50 years ago. The Deephaven Police Department barricade the streets and the Excelsior Fire Department leads the multi-generational parade of participants that include kids on bikes, tiny tots in strollers, teens on skate boards, human-powered floats and patriotic pets all decorated in red, white and blue. Kids can swing by the store on 7/3 at 4:30 p.m. to decorate their bikes and scooters. Children's Park is transformed into a carnival ground where kids play games for prizes and get their faces painted. There is a raffle for all kinds of great prizes and what July 4th celebration would be complete without popcorn, hot dogs grilled to perfection and ice-cold root beer.

Come early to check out all the amazing Raffle prizes available. How about a Stand Up Paddleboard or tickets to your favorite sporting event? Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 12 for \$10. Please contact Lisa Wells if you would like to donate an item to this years' raffle (lisa@lisa-wells.com).

The Cottagewood Parade starts at 10AM and is led by the Excelsior Fire Truck. You'll hear the Pledge of Allegiance and Matterhorn Brass Band before the morning is over. The Kiddie Carnival starts after the parade and includes cupcake walk, dunk tank, bouncy house, watermelon seed-spitting contest and many other favorites. Carnival bracelets are \$5. Lunch is available for \$6 and includes hot dog, chips, and beverage. We wrap up the morning with the Raffle at 11:00 AM and you must be present to win all those fabulous prizes.

- ◆ 10:00 AM - Parade
- ◆ Kiddie Carnival- \$5/kid
- ◆ 11:00 AM – Raffle @ \$1/ea or 12 for \$10
- ◆ Lunch - \$6 Hot Dog Value Meal



Can't wait to see you in Cottagewood this July 4th!

City Beaches Open for Season

Lifeguards will be available at three of the six beaches in Deephaven beginning Saturday, June 7th through Sunday, August 10th for the summer season. Here is a list of beaches with brief information about each one:

- Deephaven Beach – Lifeguards on-duty from Noon to 7:00 p.m., off street parking available.
- Robinson's Bay Beach – Lifeguards on-duty from 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., off street parking available.
- Sandy Beach – Lifeguards on-duty from 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., on street parking only.
- Rocky Beach – No lifeguards on-duty, limited off street parking available.
- ◆ Nocomo Beach – No lifeguard's on-duty, off street parking available.
- ◆ Linwood Beach - No lifeguard's on-duty, no off street parking available.

2015 City Budget Review by City Council

- ◆ **Monday, June 16th** - 2015 Budget Overview, 2015 Salaries, General Fund Revenues, General Fund Expenditures, Capital Improvement Fund, General Government, Elections, Administration, City Hall, Police, Fire, Public Works, Streets & Roads, Planning & Zoning, Parks & Recreation, Wildlife Management
- ◆ **Monday, July 7th** - Budget Review & Revisions
- ◆ **Monday, August 18th** - Budget Review & Revisions
- ◆ **Tuesday, September 2nd** - Final Budget Review, Adoption of Preliminary Tax Levy
- ◆ **Monday, October 20th** - Park Improvement Fund, Marina Fund, Recycling Fund
- ◆ **Monday, November 17th** - Water Fund, Sewer Fund, Storm Water Fund
- ◆ **Monday, December 1st** - Truth in Taxation Hearing, Adopt Final Tax Levy, Adopt 2013 Budget

Mark your 2014 Summer Calendars!!!

Annual Firefighter's Dance

Friday, July 18, 2014 - 5:00 p.m. to Midnight

- ◆ Hi Hats Polka Band - 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- ◆ Sell Out Stereo – 8:00 p.m. to Midnight
- ◆ Free Admission!! No Cover Charge!!
- ◆ Food, Fun, Friends, Family & Neighbors

For more information - www.excelsiorfire.org



National Night Out – Tuesday, August 5th

Join your neighbors, the Deephaven City Council, Deephaven Police Department and Excelsior Fire District in giving crime a Going Away Party. Please commit to hosting a block party to celebrate the efforts of residents and the police in keeping Deephaven a safe community. To register your party and ensure a visit by a police officer, the Police Chief or City Council members, please call 952-474-7555.

Tour de Tonka Bike Ride – Saturday, August 2

Mark your calendar for the 9th Annual Tour de Tonka bike ride, a community building event coordinated by Minnetonka Community Education. This ride, not a race, will be held Saturday, August 2, 2014. Six different route options are available - 16, 26, 44, 52, 67 or 100 - they have a ride distance for everyone. The ride begins at Minnetonka High School at 7:30 am. Same day registration begins at 5:45 am. Registration fee includes a T-shirt, 14 bands or DJ's, lots of entertainment and many wonderful rest stops full of great treats.

Fire Prevention Open House and Safety Fair

Thursday, October 2, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m.

Activities, demonstrations, displays, and tasty treats for all ages

For more information - www.excelsiorfire.org



Keep an eye out for AIS

The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) is watching closely for any new aquatic invasive species (AIS) infestations this season, but we can't be everywhere at once. Help be our eyes on the ground! Early detection of a new invasive species can allow for rapid response and increased awareness of AIS issues in a lake. In some cases, these actions can prevent a full-blown infestation.

This season MCWD staff will be monitoring highly-used lakes for signs for a variety of invasive species, including zebra mussels, spiny waterflea, and invasive snails. We will be snorkeling, kayaking, boating and walking shorelines. We will be testing water samples for signs of microscopic zebra mussels. We will continue to help fund inspectors at public boat launches and to educate residents on how to prevent the spread of these species.

Say hello if you see us at your lake, and keep your eyes peeled! If you see a suspicious plant or animal in a water body, please contact our AIS Specialist immediately at (952) 471-7873 or efieldseth@minnehahacreek.org. Learn more about various invasive species at www.minnehahacreek.org/AIS.

Starting towards the end of July 2014, Xcel Energy will be contracting with Asplundh to begin trimming and clearing vegetation within their transmission right of way along the LRT Trail here in Deephaven. Xcel Energy typically clears vegetation along their transmission lines every 4-5 years to enhance the safety and reliability of their electrical service.

Recycling Participation

How well does Deephaven stack up against the other 42 cities within Hennepin County? After a couple of average years, Deephaven residents have significantly increased their recycling totals as shown below:

Year	Pounds / Household	County Rank
2011	552	20 th
2012	533	23 rd
2013	817	4 th

We very much appreciate your efforts to increase your participation in recycling!

Help Keep Our Water Clean

- ◆ Minimize the use of fertilizers and other lawn chemicals
- ◆ Keep leaves and grass clippings out of the street
- ◆ Redirect rooftop runoff from hard surfaces such as streets & driveways to vegetated areas and lawns
- ◆ Plant native vegetation to reduce lawn watering
- ◆ Properly dispose of oil, antifreeze, cleaners, and other household chemicals
- ◆ Do not flush old medicines down the toilet.



For more information: www.pca.state.mn.us

Pedestrian Safety

Warmer weather means more construction vehicles and many more people are out and about walking, hiking and riding bicycles both along the City streets and on the LRT Trail. Please be alert, drive slowly and with caution. Minnesota law requires that drivers of motor vehicles must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and others who are crossing a street in a marked crosswalk.



Dogs at Beaches

Please remember that dogs are **not** permitted on the sand portion of any beach in Deephaven. While we realize that it might be a special treat for your dog to romp in the sand, it's not so much fun for someone walking or playing in the sand to find the "treat" your pet left behind. Please be a responsible pet owner.



Help Eradicate Garlic Mustard!

Garlic Mustard (*Alliaria Petiolata*) is a highly invasive exotic plant. This biennial herbaceous plant, also known as Jack-by-the-Hedge, invades shaded areas and has a tendency to crowd out other herbaceous species. The Garlic Mustard plant has small black seeds, which can be dispersed 6 or more feet and number anywhere from 100 to 1,000. Seed dispersal usually occurs in late spring or early summer and may be human or animal assisted. The seeds may be viable for five to six years, though they usually germinate the second year.

Residents can dispose of Garlic Mustard in the Yard Waste Compost bin. If you are not signed up with Waste Management for this service, you can place it in a *plastic yard bag* and mark the bag "Garlic Mustard" and call Waste Management at (952) 890-1100 for a special curbside pickup. There will be a special charge for this service.

The State Primary will be held on Tuesday, August 12 and the General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 4.

Polling Locations

Precinct 1: Deephaven City Hall – 20225 Cottagewood Road

Precinct 2: St. Therese Community Room – 18323 Minnetonka Blvd

The Primary Election is a partisan election; you cannot cross parties while voting on the Primary Ballot.

Deephaven will have a city election as part of the General Election on November 4.

City Offices Open Beginning January 2015

Mayor – Two year term of office.

Two Council seats – Four-year terms of office.

Filing for City Council

Filing Opens – Tuesday, July 29

Filing Closes – Tuesday, August 12

Stop over to the City Hall to file for City Council or you can print the Candidate Filing Application from the website and mail it in with your \$2 filing fee.

Election Day Registration – Proof of Residence

If you are not able to pre-register, you can register on Election Day. To do so, you must provide election judges at your polling location with certain acceptable forms of identification to prove your eligibility, such as:

- ◆ A Minnesota Driver's License, Learner's Permit, or Photo Identification Card with your current name and address.
- ◆ A "Notice of Late Registration" received from your city clerk if your voter registration application was received after the last day to pre-register.
- ◆ One of the following documents that contains your name and photo: Minnesota driver's license, identification card, US passport, US military identification card or student identification card from a Minnesota college AND a bill for electric, water, gas, telephone, cell phone, cable TV, sewer or solid waste services with a due date within 30 days of the election that contains your name and current address.
- ◆ Another registered voter living in your precinct who will come to the polling location with you to vouch for your residency.

To vote, you must be:

- ◆ A citizen of the United States
- ◆ At least 18 years old on the day of the election
- ◆ A Minnesota resident for at least 20 days prior to the election
- ◆ Properly registered.

Who needs to register to vote?

- ◆ Individuals who have never registered to vote.
- ◆ Individuals who have moved or changed their name since they last registered.
- ◆ Individuals who have not voted at least once in the last four years.

Where to pre-register?

- ◆ City Hall, 20225 Cottagewood Road
- ◆ All Hennepin County Libraries
- ◆ Hennepin County Service Centers
- ◆ Hennepin County Government Center, 300 South 6th Street, Minneapolis
- ◆ The Secretary of State's Office

Deadline to pre-register:

- ◆ July 22, 2014 for the Primary Election
- ◆ October 14, 2014 for the General Election



Absentee Voting

- ◆ **Primary Election Absentee Ballots Available:**
June 27th - August 11th
- ◆ **General Election Absentee Ballots Available:**
September 19th – November 3rd

Beginning with the 2014 Election, voters no longer need a reason to vote absentee.

Absentee voters have the following options:

- ◆ Vote in person during regular business hours starting 46 days prior to Election Day; or during the additional voting hours.
- ◆ Complete the entire process by mail – download an **Absentee Ballot Application** and mail or fax the completed application to:

City of Deephaven
20225 Cottagewood Road
Deephaven, MN 55331
(952) 474-1274 (fax)

Campaign Sign Regulations

One of the more contentious issues surrounding elections is the placement of political signs. Many of the regulations regarding political signs are governed by Section 211B.045 of Minnesota State Statutes, which states:

“In any municipality, whether or not the municipality has an ordinance that regulates the size or number of noncommercial signs, all noncommercial signs of any size may be posted in any number from 46 days before the state primary in a state general election year until ten days following the state general election.”

In summary:

- ◆ Political signs may be posted from June 27, 2014 – November 14, 2014.
- ◆ Signs must be located off of the public right-of-way and permission obtained from the property owner before you post any political sign on their property. If you are uncertain about where the public right-of-way ends, utility poles are typically located just within the public right-of-way.
- ◆ On Election Day, political signs must be at least 100 feet away from a building containing a polling place.
- ◆ Elections are also notorious for the theft of political signs. Please be aware that anyone apprehended for the theft of a political sign could face 90 days in jail and/or a fine up to \$1,000.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding political signs, please call the City at 952-474-4755.



What you should know about arsenic in private wells

In order to be fully knowledgeable about the quality and safety of your drinking water, we would strongly recommend that you test your well water at least annually to determine whether there are acceptable levels of **coliform bacteria, iron, manganese or arsenic** in your drinking water. A list of state certified laboratories in Hennepin County include:

Braun Intertec Corporations	Minneapolis	952-995-2638
Engel Water Testing, Inc.	Minnetrissa	952-955-1800
Pace Analytical Services, Inc.	Minneapolis	612-607-1700
Tri-City	Bloomington	952-563-4904
Twin City Water Clinic, Inc.	Hopkins	952-935-3556



What you should know about arsenic.

- 1. Where does arsenic come from?** *Arsenic occurs naturally in our environment. It is part of the earth's crust. As a natural component of underground rocks and soil, arsenic works its way into groundwater. As a result, water supplied from underground sources may contain amounts of arsenic. Arsenic occurs naturally in about half the wells in Minnesota and about 10 percent of Minnesota wells produce water with arsenic levels that exceed 10 micrograms per liter (parts per billion), the state health level.*
- 2. How often should my well water be tested?** *There is no requirement for testing frequency; however, once a year is a good target.*
- 3. What should my well be tested for?** *Arsenic, coliform bacteria, iron, and manganese.*
- 4. What do the test results mean?** *Arsenic and other elements in drinking water are regulated with a maximum allowable limit, known as a maximum contaminant level (MCL). The MCL for arsenic is 10 parts per billion. Elevated levels of arsenic can be a concern because people who drink water containing arsenic in excess of the MCL over many years could experience skin damage, problems with their circulatory system, and/or may have an increased risk of developing cancer.*
- 5. Why did the limit for arsenic drop from 50 to 10 parts per billion?** *For many years, the maximum contaminant level was 50 parts per billion (ppb). During the 1990's, however, it was determined that this level was too high to provide maximum health protection, so the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) decided to lower the MCL to 10 parts per billion in 2006.*
- 6. What treatment options are available for arsenic?** *Drilling a new well, filters for typical iron and manganese removal, or using arsenic adsorption media. Special types of water treatment systems which are proven effective in removing arsenic from drinking water include adsorption media systems, "reverse osmosis systems" with pretreatment, and "distillation" systems. Contact a reputable water treatment dealer in your area for information about water treatment systems.*
- 7. Can a new well help?** *A new well may produce lower arsenic levels; however, it is quite possible that a new well may also have concentrations of arsenic.*
- 8. Can arsenic levels change over time?** *Since the state of underground water supplies is dynamic, arsenic levels can change over time.*
- 9. If you have any additional questions or concerns about your well water, we recommend the following websites.**
<http://www.epa.gov/safewater/arsenic/basicinformation.html#one>
http://www.epa.gov/safewater/arsenic/pdfs/fs_arsenic_justthefactsforconsumers.pdf
<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/wells/waterquality/arsenic.html>

So what's been on your playlist lately? Got any Chris Young (Rainy Night in Georgia) or CCR (Who'll Stop the Rain) or Led Zeppelin (When the Levee Breaks) - or are you listening to songs from Annie (The Sun Will Come out Tomorrow!)? Whatever you have been doing to cope as we went from Winter Wonderland to 'I wonder if we'll see land' – I surely hope it's been working for you, because as I write this Corner ... the docks are under water, we may have to mow the parks with a hydroplane, and we are thinking of giving actual names to the potholes !

But, on a bright note, school is out and people are starting to visit the beaches, have picnics in the parks, and take walks wearing less than three layers of clothing. I knew we'd make it – and so did you.

We would love to stop by and visit any of you that are participating in our version of National Night Out on August 5. It's a great time for us to hear your concerns, share in a little fun and chat about what's going on in Deephaven ... so give us a call.

The bridge project is going well, St Therese opened Deephaven Woods and the Council has already started on next year's budget, so I guess life is getting back to what we perceive as 'normal'.

I really do hope you are doing well, that you still have your sense of humor ... and that you have a Happy Fourth of July and a safe summer!

Paul

The Cottagewood Garden Club is a service organization for women who promote and share the beauty of nature through educational opportunities and gardening for Deephaven City Gardens.

It is a great way to meet neighbors and make friends while participating in community gardening. The club plants and maintains the gardens at Deephaven City Hall, Thorpe Park and the Connie Getch garden in Burton Park.

The club meets on the second Thursday of every month and the garden teams meet weekly during the summer to maintain the gardens. If you are interested in joining the club please contact Sarah Dale sarahdale@gmail.com or Sue Jerutis scj0523@aol.com

Summer Hours at City Hall—Starting May 27th and extending through August 29th, Deephaven City Hall will be open Monday – Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Friday from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

City Hall Hours, "Summer Hours" May 27th to August 29th

Monday to Thursday 8 to 5:00 / Friday 8 to Noon / Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

City Hall Hours, September 1st to May 23rd

Monday to Friday 8 to 4:30 / Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

City Office will be closed :

July 4th and September 1st

Your City Council:

Mayor : Paul Skrede

Council members:

Keith Kask, Steve Erickson

Darel Gustafson, Josh Hackney

Your City Staff:

Dana Young, City Administrator

Mary Courtney, Deputy Clerk

Deborah Hicks, Utility Billing, Marina Operations

Gus Karpas, Zoning Coordinator

Teresa Pendleton, Building Permits

Cory Johnson, Police Chief

Pat Thiede, Police Admin Assistant

John Menzel, Public Works Foreman

Kathy McCullum, Woodland Deputy Clerk



Phone Numbers:

Administration & Public Works:

952-474-4755

Police Non-Emergency: 952-474-7555

24-Hour Police Dispatch: 763-525-6210

City of Deephaven Website:

www.cityofdeephaven.org

The Deephaven City Council normally meets twice a month on the first and third Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The Planning Commission meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month. The Park Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month. The Boat Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month.

Residents are welcome to attend any or all of these meetings. Council meetings are also televised on Cable Channel 8. Channel 8 televised dates and times for City of Deephaven meetings, as well as meeting minutes, are all available on our City website www.cityofdeephaven.org