



Deephaven News

"Information for Residents"

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4th of July Celebration at the Cottagewood General Store!

If we had to describe the Cottagewood July 4th Celebration & Kid's Parade in one word it would have to be legendary. Without a doubt it is our most popular event of the season. Each year the Cottagewood July 4th Celebration and Kid's Parade attracts hundreds of people to Cottagewood to celebrate our nation's freedom in Americana style.

Parade participants follow the same route taken during the very first parade. The Deephaven Police 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.

Children's Park is transformed into a carnival grounds where kids play games for prizes, test their throwing arm at the very popular Dunk Tank and of course there is always a giant inflatable.

Everyone is welcome, we look forward to celebrating America's Birthday with you!

For more information visit our website www.cottagewoodusa.com

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City Beaches Open for Season

Lifeguards will be available at three of the six beaches in Deephaven beginning Saturday, June 1st through Sunday, August 11th 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



City Hall Hours:

"Regular" Hours

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

"Summer" Hours

May 28th to August 30th

Mon to Thurs 8am to 5pm
Fridays 8am to 12noon
Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.



2020 City Budget Review by City Council



Monday, June 17 - 2020 Budget Overview, 2020 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 1 - Budget Review & Revisions
Monday, August 19 - Budget Review & Revisions
Tuesday, September 10 - Final Budget Review, Adoption of Preliminary Tax Levy
Monday, October 21 - Park Improvement Fund, Marina Fund, Recycling Fund
Monday, November 18 - Water Fund, Sewer Fund, Storm Water Fund
Monday, December 2 - Truth in Taxation Hearing, Adopt Final 2020 Tax Levy & Budget

Help Stop the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species

You can help protect your favorite lake from aquatic invasive species (AIS) by following these three simple steps while boating:

1. **Clean** – before leaving a lake, boaters should clean all visible plants and other debris from all equipment (motors, jet skis, trailers, paddles, etc)
2. **Drain** – drain any water from the boat and keep drain plugs out
3. **Dry** – wipe everything dry

Disposing of unwanted bait in the trash also helps prevent the spread of invasive species.

Another way to protect your lake from AIS is by looking for invasive species when you are on or in the water. While the MCWD (Minnehaha Creek Watershed District) and its partners regularly monitor lakes for AIS, watchful residents can provide an extra layer of protection. By keeping an eye out for AIS, you can help catch any new infestation early and improve the chances for successful management.

MCWD has an early detection guide book that will give you the tools you need to identify what's invasive and what's native. The book is free and available either online at www.minnehahacreek.org/early-detectors or at the MCWD office at 15320 Minnetonka Boulevard in Minnetonka.

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

Mowing, Junk Cars, Boats & Trailers

Please be a respectful neighbor and make sure that your lawn is properly mowed and free of noxious weeds, and free from the unsightly storage of junk cars, boats and trailers. Deephaven residents are typically very conscientious about the appearance of their property and in being a "good neighbor". Please remember that the City does have specific requirements on long grass and the storage of junk cars, boats & trailers as shown below:

- **Section 535.04 (z)** – the length of grasses commonly used in lawn areas including blue grass, fescue or rye grass blends of similar grasses shall not exceed eight (8) inches in length, excluding grasses on steep slopes or adjoining ponds, wetlands and lakes.
- **Section 535.04 (t)** - The parking, storing, or keeping on any public or private property any motorized vehicle, including boats and trailers, which (1) has a broken, missing or defective part that is necessary for normal operation thereof; (2) is stored on blocks, jacks or other supports; or (3) does not display a license or displays a license that is 60 days or more past its required renewal date, excluding those vehicles kept within a fully enclosed garage or other building and impounded vehicles held by the City.

Minnetonka Blvd from the Vine Hill Bridge to the eastern limits of the City, West Highland Avenue, Carsonwood Avenue, Parkway, Northern Road, and East Easton Avenue are all scheduled to be resurfaced this summer as part of the City's Street Improvement Plan.

This is the fifth year of the Plan as the City of Deephaven is focusing more attention and financial resources to the repair of City streets. Street repairs can take three very different forms.

Patching – After the harsh winter, the public works crew fills all potholes throughout the City.

Skim Patching – Once patching has been completed, the public works crew goes back to those rough sections of the street and will lay down a large skim coat of bituminous to make the street surface much smoother.

Street Resurfacing – A street is overlaid with 2" – 3" of new asphalt if there is too much surface cracking to warrant crack sealing. Each street in the City is graded in the early spring according to its condition and the worst streets are scheduled the following year for an overlay.

Unfortunately, we cannot overlay each and every one of the worst streets due to limitations in our annual budget.

Street Resurfacing Improvement Schedule – The following 2020-2024 street overlay schedule may be accelerated, delayed, or re-prioritized depending on the availability of city funding or the comparative condition of each street:

- 2020 – Carson Road, Eastwood Drive, and Hillcrest Road
- 2021 – Dyer Lane, Northome Blvd, Linwood Lane, Maple Ridge Road, Maplewood Road, North Lane, and Park Place
- 2022 – Hooper Lake Road, Jericho Road, Leroy Street, Lowell Street, Therese Street and Lake Avenue (West of Talton Avenue)
- 2023 – Dale Avenue, Ramsey Road, Sibley Avenue, Walden Lane, Walden Road, Walden Trail, Fairhomes Road, and Hamilton Avenue
- 2024 – Heathcote Drive, Heathcote Lane, and Heathcote Road



Street Project Updates - Updates on the 2019 Street Improvement Projects, including the Minnetonka Blvd Project, are available on the City webpage at www.cityofdeephaven.org.

Pedestrian Safety - Warmer weather means more construction vehicles and many more people are out and about walking and riding bicycles both along the City streets and on the LRT Trail.

In addition, with street construction is planned this summer on Minnetonka Blvd, Carsonwood Avenue, Easton Road, W. Highland Avenue, Parkway, and Northern Road - **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.

Swimming Pool Discharge

For those residents with swimming pools, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has the following recommendations regarding the discharge of swimming pool or hot tub water:

- ◆ Once the water is free of chlorine, the water should be directed onto a vegetated surface to encourage infiltration,
- ◆ The discharge should not flow onto any other persons' property, the city street, or create nuisance conditions.
- ◆ If the discharge flow is to occur across bare soil areas, care should be taken to prevent soil erosion. This can be done in several ways. The flow rate can be reduced to prevent erosion by the use of a small diameter hose, or additional piping or hose can be placed over the erosive area to prevent soil/water contact, and/or sod can lie in the bare area.
- ◆ Chlorination must be stopped at least three days prior to discharge.
- ◆ **Chlorinated water should NEVER be discharged to any surface water such as a storm sewer, ditch, lake or wetland.**
- ◆ **Swimming pool or hot tub water should NEVER be discharged into the sanitary sewer. This could potentially cause sewer backup into neighboring homes.**

Emerald Ash Borer

We have recently heard from the City of Minnetonka Forestry Department that two trees in Minnetonka have been infected with Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). EAB is a destructive pest that attacks all species of ash trees. Since ash trees have no natural defense to EAB, trees will die in 1-4 years once infected. Eventually, all ash trees will die unless successfully treated. Treatment costs approximately \$100 - \$200 for a 20" diameter tree and must be done every two years in perpetuity. EAB will eventually spread to Deephaven.

How to identify EAB

EAB larva creates S-shaped galleries under the bark. An adult EAB is a slender elongated insect 1/3 to 1/2 inch long, iridescent-green to copper-green in color, and leaves a D-shaped exit hole in the bark. If you suspect you have found EAB, call the hotline at 651-201-6684.

What the City is doing

At Thorpe Park, Village Hall Park and Shuck Park, the City has been treating approximately 38 of the more prominent ash trees for several years.

On other City property, the Public Works Department will mark ash trees for removal if they are located close to a public street, play ground, or have the potential to interfere with utility lines.

What you need do

Consult with a certified arborist to determine options for privately-owned ash trees.

How you can help

Hennepin County is under a quarantine that prohibits the transportation of any hardwood firewood as well as ash branches. Do not transport firewood to campgrounds or parks.

For more information

Go to
www.mda.state.mn.us
 (keyword: ash borer)



Recreational Fires

Please be aware that the City Council adopted an ordinance that only permits recreational fires under the following conditions:

1. A recreational fire shall have a total area of three (3) feet or less in diameter and three (3) or less in height.
2. Recreational fires shall be contained within a fire ring, pit, container or device designed for such use.
3. The area within a five (5) foot radius of the recreational fire shall be reasonably clear of all combustibles.
4. Recreational fires shall not be conducted within twenty-five (25) feet of a neighboring dwelling or garage.
5. The fire shall be under the immediate supervision of the resident or his/her authorized adult representative.
6. Buckets, shovels, garden hose or a fire extinguisher shall be readily available for use at recreational fires.
7. The prevailing wind at the time of the recreational fire shall be away from nearby residences and must be less than 15 mph.
8. No flammable or combustible liquids shall be used to kindle or rekindle a recreational fire.
9. Demolition debris, industrial solid waste, hazardous materials, oil, rubber, plastic, railroad ties, shingles, tarpaper, insulation, composition boards, sheetrock, wiring, painted materials or paint filters, garbage, chemically treated wood or other materials that would give off a toxic smoke irritant to nearby residents are prohibited material. Only clean material can be burned as part of a recreational fire.
10. The hours that recreational fires shall be extinguished are between 12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
11. Fires must be fully extinguished when unattended.
12. Recreational fires can be cancelled or terminated at the discretion of the Police Department if a complaint has been received from a nearby resident concerning the smoke, irritants or a medical condition that is aggravated by the residential fire.
13. No brush, tree limbs under two inches in diameter, leaves, grass, compost, or other yard waste shall be burned. No rubbish can be burned at any time.
14. Recreational fires are prohibited when the fire danger level is at or above VERY HIGH. Current fire danger levels can be found at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources website at www.dnr.state.mn.us.

If you have any questions regarding any of these provisions, please call the Deephaven Police Department at (952) 474-7555.

Mark your 2019 Calendars!

Annual Firefighter's Dance – Friday, July 19th 35th Year Anniversary!

5:00 p.m. – Midnight
Hi Hats Polka Band:
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Ragstock is the Featured
Band: 8:30 p.m. – 11:00
p.m.

Free Admission!! No Cover Charge!! Mega Sized Silent
Auction!! Kids Activities!!

Food, Fun, Friends, Family & Neighbors!

For more information - www.excelsiorfire.org



Southlake Safety Camp – Wednesday, August 14th

8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
South Lake Public
Safety Building, 24100
Smithtown Road,
Shorewood

For kids in 3rd, 4th & 5th Grades

Open to all residents in Deephaven, Excelsior, Greenwood,
Shorewood & Tonka Bay.

For more information contact Twila at 952-960-7902 or
tgrout@ci.shorewood.mn.us



Tour de Tonka Bike Ride – Saturday, August 3rd

Mark your calendar for the 14th
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 3, 2019. With eight
different route options available -- 16, 30, 36, 48, 57, 62, 71 or
100 miles – the ride has something for everyone.

Riders can pre-register at a lower cost at tourdetonka.org or
same-day beginning at 5:45 a.m., on the morning of the ride.
The registration fee includes a t-shirt, 14 bands or DJs, lots of
entertainment, and a plethora of rest stops full of great treats.

National Night Out – Tuesday, August 6th

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 members of the City Council, please call
952-474-7555.

Fire Prevention Open House & Safety Fair – Thursday, October 3rd

5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

South Lake Public Safety Building, 24100 Smithtown Road,
Shorewood

Activities, demonstrations, displays, fire truck rides, fire
extinguisher inspection and tagging service & free recycling
for home and business owners, FREE dinner, and fun for all
ages!

For more information - www.excelsiorfire.org

Kids Free Movie – Saturday, December 7th

Dock Cinema in
Excelsior

Doors open at 8:45
a.m. and movie starts
at 9:30 a.m.

Movie to be
announced



Meet Santa and Sparky the Fire Dog - for more information
www.excelsiorfire.org

Dogs at Parks & Beaches



To all Dog Lovers, which includes just
about all of us, please remember that
dogs are **not permitted** on the sand
portion of any beach or to enter any
park in Deephaven.

The only exceptions in which dogs are permitted is on
a leash on the walking path at Deephaven Beach and
at Thorpe Park.

Emergency Gas Leak

CenterPoint Energy cautions that if the public smells, hears or sees a
natural gas leak:

- Leave the area immediately on foot and tell others to do the
same. Do not use electric switches, telephones, cell phones,
drive or start a vehicle, or do anything that would cause a spark.
- Once safely away from the area, call the CenterPoint Energy
emergency gas leak hotline at 1-800-296-9815 and dial 911 to
report the location and description of the leak; and CenterPoint
Energy will send a trained service technician immediately.
- **Never try to repair a gas leak yourself. Leave all repairs to a
trained technician.**



It's been an interesting Spring and beginning of summer, hasn't it? According to the guys at the golf courses, it's been too wet, the ground's too cold for germination, there's a lot of gnats ... and some other stuff. And, just as we are putting all that behind us as we celebrate the Summer Solstice, we will have our patience tested by the 'other season' in Minnesota ... road repair.

Much of this summer will be spent digging up and re-paving Minnetonka Boulevard, from the Vine Hill bridge all the way north and east to the City Limits, including a small patch in the City of Minnetonka where the 'big pothole' was found this spring. There is no getting around it ... eight to ten weeks of absolute congestion and hassle. Roughly eight inches of churned up road depth, re-purposing of that base, drainage improvements, some additional curbing, a couple of large trees removed ...you get the idea. There are no easy detours, people on streets that only exit onto Minnetonka Blvd will have no choice but to check our website link to Bolton Menk to see what the 'work of the week' will entail and make plans accordingly.

There are five additional streets that will be getting redone, as Dana mentioned earlier in this Newsletter, so there will be plenty of opportunities to practice our best, most neighborly manners as we muddle through. The gas company has been fervently working to complete their improvements prior to our starting the road work, so we have already had a 'dress rehearsal' for the weeks of construction to come.

I hope you all have a fun-filled summer, and a very safe and Happy Fourth of July!

Paul

Summer Hours at City Hall

Starting May 28th through August 30th, 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 Office will be closed : July 4th and September 2nd

City Hall "Regular" Hours: Monday to Friday 8 to 4:30, Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

Summer Hours, May 28 to August 30th Monday to Thursday 8 to 5:00, Fridays 8—Noon / Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

Your City Staff:

Dana Young, City Administrator
 Mary Courtney, Deputy Clerk
 Deborah Hicks, Utility Billing, Marina Operations
 Dale Cooney, Zoning Coordinator
 Teresa Pendleton, Building Permits
 Cory Johnson, Police Chief
 Elizabeth McColl, Police Admin Assistant
 John Menzel, Public Works Foreman
 Sara Skalle, Woodland Clerk



Your City Council:

Mayor: Paul Skrede

Council members:

Steve Erickson, Tony Jewett,
 Kent Carlson, Melissa McNeill

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.

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