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**Mon. Tues. Thurs.
9:30 am to 1:30 pm**

**Wed. and Fri.
closed, but residents
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pointment.**

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NEWSLETTER
Mayor's Message

Happy Independence Day!

Everything is going well in the City considering all the issues that we have had to deal with. We are still moving forward with City business, including -

- * The Quinlan Avenue Project will be starting this month; we apologize for any inconvenience;
- * We continue to work with FEMA repairing the damage to the Riverfront from the 2019 flood and also street issues due to the high water;
- * A grant of \$200,000 has been awarded from the Board of Water & Soil Resources (BOWSR) to repair the slumping bluff south of Saint Francis Church on Riviera that will begin in September;
- * The City is moving forward to reduce the speed limits to 20 mph throughout the City in 2021.

All of these projects and changes have been approved unanimously by our City Council. I am thankful and appreciate their continued partnership.

Enjoy the Summer...Stay Safe!

~ Mayor Tom

On **Saturday, July 18, 2020, from 9 to noon**, the Lower St. Croix Valley Fire Department will be hosting a **Community Food Drive** to help replenish our local food shelves. Food or cash donations will be accepted, and 100% of the proceeds will be donated directly to our local food shelves in Washington County. The members of the Fire Department will match up to \$500 for all donations received during this Food Drive

Items and cash donations may be dropped off by driving into the front of the Fire Department Parking Lot (1560 St. Croix Trail South in Lake St. Croix Beach) on Saturday, July 18, between the hours of 9 to noon. Residents should remain in their vehicles and firefighters and EMTs will unload your donations to maintain proper social distancing. For those residents wishing to make a cash donation, checks should be made payable to LSCVFD and marked **FOOD DRIVE** in the memo area. Checks can either be dropped off on Saturday, July 18, or mailed to LSCVFD, PO Box 234, Lakeland, MN 55043.

In the years past during our pancake breakfasts, you have been very generous with your food donations. Due to the current pandemic events and high unemployment rate, your generosity is needed now more than ever. This is a great opportunity to continue to keep these valued resources in our Community stocked.



Feeding the Community



Contacts

Animal Control

715.220.1332

Building Inspector

651.208.4684

dstensland@comcast.net

Burning Permits

651.248.5103

Environmental Center

651.275.7475

LSCV Fire Department

651.436.7033

Sheriff's Department

651.439.9381

Lakeland Water Utility

651.436.8044

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651.436.5469

EMERGENCY

911

June 15, 2020 City Council Highlights

- Total Claims, from May 19, 2020 through June 15, 2020, of \$70,137.59 were approved as presented.
- The Parks Commission recommendations for 2020 Boat Permits were approved as presented.
- Due to complaints received from residents and others relative to parking and no social distancing at the Beach, authority was delegated to the City Clerk/Administrator to contract with Washington County as off-duty officer to assist with beach management when necessary.
- Clean-up Day held at the Valley Baptist parking lot on June 13 was very successful. Lake St. Croix Beach' participation was 36.8%, Lakeland 58.4%, and Lakeland Shores 4.8%.
- A decision was made by Council to continue to maintain the City Hall closed to the public.
- Heritage Day has been postponed from to October 6. Donations are welcome; please call Council Member Dawn Bulera.
- The Quinlan Avenue Street Project will begin in July after a contractor for Center-Point Energy replaces and relocates gas mains.

2020 Election Dates



PRIMARY ELECTION—Tuesday, August 11, 2020

Candidate Filing opens Tues, May 19 and closes Tues June 2 at 5 p.m.

Absentee Voting opens Friday, June 26.

Voter Pre-Registration closes Tuesday, July 21, at 5 pm

GENERAL ELECTION - November 3, 2020

Candidate Filing opens Tuesday, July 28, and closes Tuesday, August 11, at 5:00 pm

Absentee Voting opens on Friday, September 18, 2020

Voter Pre-registration closes Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 5:00 pm

There are two City Council seats and the Mayor's seat to fill this year. The City Council seat is a four year commitment, and the Mayor seat is a two year commitment. If you are interested in running for LSCB office, candidate packets will be available at City Hall for you to pick up.

Beach Parking Passes Available

When our Beach Parking opens, residents of Lake St. Croix Beach only can purchase parking passes for 2020 at City Hall. The cost is \$10 for the whole season. If you are 65 years or older, you can get a beach parking pass for free. Simply stop at City Hall and Staff will set you up with your pass. We ask that you bring your drivers license and have the number of



2020

BEACH PARKING PERMIT

No. 1

NAME & LICENSE PLATE #

Dave Engstrom
City Clerk-Administrator



Helping Hands

There are members of our Community who could use a helping hand at certain times of the year—simple tasks that have become difficult or unmanageable.

If you are a resident who could use some help, please call or email the City with your project request.

If you would like to volunteer to help, we'd like to hear from you also. CITY HALL (651.436.7031) or lsch@comcast.net

Quinlan Avenue Streets Project

The **Quinlan Avenue Project** was awarded by the City Council to Minnesota Paving & Materials on April 20. The project includes repaving of Quinlan Avenue South from 19th Street to 13th Street and includes select locations of shallow ditch grading to improve drainage.

The contractor has informed the City that work will likely begin in July. They can start the project anytime after the contracts are signed as long as they don't take longer than 6 weeks to reach completion. We could see the contractor push the schedule later in the year as long as they complete it by October 2020.

On a related note, you may have noticed a contractor already working in the area. A contractor working for CenterPoint Energy is preparing to replace and relocate gas mains in the same area as the City project. CenterPoint will need to complete their work before the City's contractor can move in. As with any project, there are many factors that can affect schedule not the least of which is weather. Once work begins, please plan to be patient with the process (construction is messy!). Please select alternate routes and keep your kids away from construction activities. The contractor will take the required safety precautions, but we also need to do our part. Watch from a distance and always obey construction zone traffic signs and flag persons who may be directing you around work zones.

If you have an underground sprinkler system, our City Engineer John Parotti would like to hear from you. Please contact John as soon as possible to discuss your system. He can be reached at (612) 284-1530. SEH is the City's engineering firm and they will have a representative checking on the contractor. If you see someone with an SEH hat or vest, feel free to flag them down with any questions. You may also call City Hall at 651.436.7031.

John Parotti, PE (MN, WI)
Associate, Senior Project Manager
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Pet Owners

Be a courteous pet owner. Make sure you cleanup after your dog when you are out walking in the City parks and along the street.

The Animal Control Officer can pick up dogs and cats running at large. If the animal is licensed, every effort will be made to return the animal to its owner. If the animal is unlicensed, it will be taken to the St. Croix Animal Shelter and held until the owner has paid all City and shelter fees.

The City's Animal Control Officer also handles all barking dogs or other nuisance complaints. For additional information, call the City Hall at 651.436.7031.

Watch for Children

Please watch for children on bikes and people walking. Drive slowly through neighborhoods and observe the stop signs at designated intersections. Trees can often obstruct your vision of the area.

Be Safe – Be Seen!

There is danger in the dark – the biggest being vehicles that don't expect you or can't see you. Wearing reflective clothing is a good defense against invisibility, but you need to be sure the reflective areas are large enough and are exposed from every angle.

- * **Reminder to residents to trim foliage on rights-of-way if there is overgrowth so intersections are safe and clear**

Ordinance 724.04 Outdoor Implements . . . any power lawn mower, snowblower, power hedge clipper, power saw, or such other implement designed primarily for outdoor use, shall be operated only between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on weekdays, or between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, and State and Federal Holidays.

Aggregate Industries Brush Site— Closed until further notice

(COVID-10) City Hall

We are still taking precautions to prevent spread of disease at the LSCB City Hall and are monitoring the situation and following guidance from public health officials to provide a safe environment.

Please use the office drop off box (by front door) to deliver any payments or documents that need attention, and call 651.436.7031 to let us know.



Spring Clean-Up held on Saturday, June 13, at the Valley Baptist Church Parking Lot was a success! Thanks to Mayor McCarthy for helping us get started, and Council Member Dawn Bulera whose help checking in cars was invaluable.

Thanks also to Diane Lair, Valerie Bartl, Erica Hoaglund, and Dawn Bulera for helping with the continuous weed pulling of the four Native Gardens at City Hall on Friday, June 19.

The City's BUILDING INSPECTOR is Duane (Dewey) Stensland
 Phone: 651-505-9985 Fax: 651.436-8310
PRIOR TO STARTING ANY BUILDING OR EXCAVATING PROJECT, please call the City Office (651.436.7031) to determine whether a permit will be required.



Heritage Day is planned for October 6, 2020. Call Council Member Dawn Bulera if you can help or if you have any ideas to share (651.436.5896).



**License Your Pet—
It's the Law**

Licensing is one of the most important things you can do to keep your pet safe. Unfortunately, it is also one of the most overlooked ordinances by city residents.

All cats and dogs over 4 months of age are required to be licensed, display a city issued collar tag, and have a valid rabies vaccination.

Lifetime pet license fees are \$10 for spayed/neutered pets and \$25 for pets that are not.

Summer Parking Restrictions

On-street parking is prohibited between 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

May 1 through September 30

on the east side of County Road 18 and where posted "No Parking."

Parking tickets will be issued for parking on the streets.

Become a Newsletter Sponsor and place a business card sized ad here!

Contact LSCB City Hall at 651-436-7031

Cost for Issues May - December \$200

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LAKELAND, MN 55043



Sailboat Permits Available

The City has several open sailboat permits available for residents. New permits are issued in order of completed application and supporting documents and are approved by the City Council.

County and State Contact Information

Washington County Commissioner Gary Kriesel: 651.430.6213
MN Rep. Shelly Christensen: 651.296.4244 rep.shelly.christensen@house.mn
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MN Governor Tim Walz: 651.201.3400 tim.walz@state.mn.us
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U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar: 612.727.5220 klobuchar@senate.gov
U.S. Senator Tina Smith: 202.224.5641 smith@senate.gov

Washington County Parks Summer Fishing Programs

Washington County Parks will feature fishing programs at several County parks throughout the summer.

Youth Drop-Off Fishing at Lake Elmo Park Reserve, 10 am to noon, Tuesday, July 7. This is for those ages 8 to 12. Since it is a Free Tuesday at County Parks, no vehicle permit is required; registration is required as space is limited. Meet at the fishing pier.

Family Fishing at Square Lake, 6 to 8 pm Saturday, July 25. This is free with a vehicle permit required. Registration is required as space is limited. Meet at the fishing pier.

Family Fly Fishing at Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park, 6 to 8 pm Thursday, August 13. The program is free with a vehicle permit. Registration is required as space is limited. Meet at the canoe launch.

Reservations are required for these programs on the county's website at www.co.washington.mn.us by searching "Fishing Programs." For more Washington County Parks programs and events, see www.co.washington.mn.us/parks.