



Deephaven News

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City of Deephaven

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City Hall Hours:

September 6th to May 27th

Monday to Friday 8am to 4:30pm

Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

"Summer" Hours

May 31st to September 2nd

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!



The 4th of July is a very special holiday for the Cottagewood USA community so we make sure to do it right! The red, white & blue fun begins on Sunday, July 3rd with our Kid's Bike Decorating Event from 4:00pm to 5:00pm. For \$5.00 we supply the decorations and kids are encouraged to use their patriotic creativity to bedazzle their bikes, strollers, scooters and wagons.

On July 4th we begin the festivities at 8:30am with a NEW pancake breakfast served by the zany flip master of Chris Cakes (who hold a Guinness Record for most pancakes flipped in an hour!). They will be sure to entertain you as you catch your flying pancakes.

We'll gather at 9:15 AM on the steps of the Cottagewood Store to recite the Pledge of Allegiance followed by our traditional Kid's Parade led by the Excelsior/Deephaven Fire Department. Immediately following the parade, more pancakes will be served as Children's Park becomes a carnival grounds where kids can play games for prizes, go down the giant inflatable slide, fish in the duck pond and test their throwing arm at the dunk tank. There will be other fun activities including temporary tattoos, a cupcake walk and an assortment of prizes to be won in our popular 4th of July raffle. Additional new food offerings such as State Fair mini donuts will be available for sale. Plan to arrive early at 8:00am to buy raffle tickets, wristbands for the carnival and tickets for your pancakes so don't miss a moment of the patriotic fun!

July 3rd - 4:00-5:00 p.m.—Kid's Bike Decorating Event at the store. \$5 per vehicle

July 4th - 8:00 a.m.—Ticket sales begin

8:30 a.m.—Pancake Breakfast begins

9:15 a.m.—Pledge of Allegiance

9:30 a.m.—Kid's Parade

9:35 a.m - 11:30 a.m.—Pancakes and carnival

11:30 a.m.—Raffle Drawing and end of events

Pricing - \$5 for parade and carnival wristband , \$6 for Pancake Breakfast (Includes all you can eat pancakes with syrup, sausage links, margarine), \$1 per raffle ticket or 12 for \$10.

For more information please call 952-470-8400 or visit www.cottagewoodusa.com



City Beaches Open for Season

Lifeguards will be available at three of the six beaches in Deephaven beginning Saturday, June 4th through Saturday, August 14th 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 lifeguard on-duty, limited off street parking available.
- ◆ **Nocomo Beach** – No lifeguard on-duty, off street parking available.
- ◆ **Linwood Beach** - No lifeguard on-duty, no off street parking available



Monday, June 20th - 2017 Budget Overview, 2017 Salaries, General Fund Revenues, General Fund Expenditures, Capital Improvement Plan, General Government, Elections, Administration, City Hall, Police, Fire, Public Works, Streets & Roads, Planning & Zoning, Parks & Recreation, Wildlife Management

Tuesday, July 5th - Budget Review & Revisions

Monday, August 15th - Budget Review & Revisions

Tuesday, September 6th - Final Budget Review, Adoption of Preliminary Tax Levy

Monday, October 17th - Park Improv. Fund, Marina Fund, Recycling Fund, Capital Imp Fund

Monday, November 21st - Water Fund, Sewer Fund, Storm Water Fund

Monday, December 5th - Truth in Taxation Hearing, Adopt Final Tax Levy, Adopt 2017 Budget



Mark your 2016 Summer Calendars!!!

Annual Firefighter's Dance

Friday, July 15, 2016-5:00 p.m. to Midnight
31 Year Anniversary

- ◆ Hi Hats Polka Band - 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- ◆ Soul Tight Committee – 8:00 p.m. to Midnight
- ◆ Free Admission!! No Cover Charge!!
- ◆ Mega Sized Silent Auction, Kids Activities
- ◆ Food, Fun, Friends, Family & Neighbors
- ◆ For more information - www.excelsiorfire.org

Excelsior Fire District 125th Celebration

Saturday, September 10, 2016

- ◆ Fire Station Tours 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- ◆ Fire Truck Parade on Water Street in Excelsior 12:00 p.m.
- ◆ Water Fights & Watermelon Feed on East Drive in Excelsior 1:30– 3 p.m.

Fire Prevention Open House and Safety Fair

Thursday, October 6, 2016 - 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Activities, demonstrations, displays, fire truck rides, free dinner & fun for all ages. For more information - www.excelsiorfire.org

National Night Out—Tuesday, August, 2nd 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.



Tour de Tonka Bike Ride—Saturday, August 6th Mark your calendar for the 11th 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 6, 2016. With seven different route options available -15, 28, 40, 48, 57, 67 or 100 miles – the ride has something for everyone. The 15, 28, 40, 48, and 57 mile rides all begin at Minnetonka High School at 7:30 a.m., while the 67 and 100-mile ride will start at the Clear Springs Elementary at 7 a.m. All rides will end at the high school. 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.

RECREATIONAL FIRES—Due to a number of complaints regarding the frequency, intensity and duration of recreational fires, the City Council adopted an ordinance that only permits recreational fires under the following conditions:

- ◆ A recreational fire shall have a total area of three (3) feet or less in diameter and three (3) or less in height.
- ◆ Recreational fires shall be contained within a fire ring, pit, container or device designed for such use.
- ◆ The area within a five (5) foot radius of the recreational fire shall be reasonably clear of all combustibles.
- ◆ Recreational fires shall not be conducted within twenty-five (25) feet of a neighboring dwelling or garage.
- ◆ The fire shall be under the immediate supervision of the resident or his/her authorized adult representative.
- ◆ Buckets, shovels, garden hose or a fire extinguisher shall be readily available for use at recreational fires.
- ◆ The prevailing wind at the time of the recreational fire shall be away from nearby residences and must be less than 15 mph.
- ◆ No flammable or combustible liquids shall be used to kindle or rekindle a recreational fire.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ The hours that recreational fires shall be extinguished are between 12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
- ◆ Fires must be fully extinguished when unattended.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ 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.



- ◆ 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 go to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Website: www.pca.state.mn.us



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.



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, particularly as you approach crosswalk signs.



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 is Around the Corner!



Senior Community Services is a nonprofit that helps older adults and caregivers navigate aging to maintain independence and quality of life. We work with trusted professionals and volunteers in your community who are ready to stop and listen to your unique needs, helping you take care of the place you call home. Through our Household & Outside Maintenance for Elderly (HOME) program, we now provide free Home Health and Safety Assessments.

For more information, please call 952-746-4046 or visit our website www.seniorcommunity.org

The State Primary will be held on Tuesday, August 9 and the General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8.

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 8.**

City Offices Open Beginning January 2017

Mayor – Two year term of office.
Two Council seats – Four-year terms of office.

Filing for City Council

Filing Opens – Tuesday, August 2
Filing Closes – Tuesday, August 16

Stop over to the City Hall to file for City Council. The candidate filing fee is \$2.00.

To vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- At least 18 years old on Election Day
- 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 19, 2016 for the Primary Election
- ◆ October 18, 2016 for the General Election

A significant change has occurred with absentee voting in that you no longer need a reason to vote absentee.

If you have a busy schedule on Election Day or if you will be out of town or just don’t want to wait in line to vote, simply submit an Absentee Ballot Application and the ballot will be sent to you.

Go to the front page of the City of Deephaven website www.cityofdeephaven.org to learn about the Absentee Voting process and how to obtain an online application or where to send a paper application.

- ◆ **Absentee voting for the August 9th Primary begins on June 24th and ends August 8th.**
- ◆ **Absentee voting for the November 8th General begins on September 23rd and ends on November 7th.**

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 valid Minnesota driver's license, Minnesota learner’s permit, or Minnesota ID card with your current name and address.
- ◆ The yellow receipt for a Minnesota driver’s license, learner’s permit or ID card.
- ◆ A photo ID plus a document with your name and current address.

An approved photo ID includes:

Driver’s license, state ID or learner’s permit issued by any state, US passport, US Military or Veteran ID, Minnesota university, college, or technical college ID, Minnesota high school ID

An approved document includes:

Residential lease or rental agreement valid through Election Day, Current student fee statement, Bill, account or start of service statement due or dated within 30 days of election for: Phone (landline, cell, VOIP, etc.), TV (cable, satellite, etc.), Internet, Solid waste or sewer, Electric, gas or water, Banking or credit card, Rent or mortgage payments.

- ◆ Another registered voter living in your precinct who will come to the polling location with you to vouch for your residency.

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 24, 2016 – November 18, 2016.
- ◆ 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

Street Improvement Plan

Ever since the completion of the Vine Hill Bridge, the City Council is focusing more of their attention and financial resources to the repair of City streets. Street repairs can take three very different forms.

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

Seal Coating - The City attempts to seal coat each street 5-7 years after it has received an overlay to extend the life of each street as long as possible.

Street Overlay – A street is overlaid with 2” – 3” of new asphalt if there is too much surface cracking to warrant a seal coat. Each street in the City is graded in the fall 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 Overlay Improvement Schedule – The following 2016-2022 street overlay schedule may be delayed or re-prioritized depending on the availability of city funding or the comparative condition of each street:

2016 – Harper Road, Vine Hill Road, Vine Street Cul-de-Sac

2017 – Deephaven Avenue, Excelsior Blvd

2018 – Carson Road, Highcrest Drive, Hillcrest Road

2019 – Jericho Road, Lake Avenue (West of Talton), Maple Chase, Therese Street

2020 – Carsonwood Avenue, Dyer Lane, Fairhomes Road, Hillside Street, Hillcrest Way,

Linwood Lane, Maple Ridge Road, Mount Curve, North Lane, Northern Road, Park Place, Rosedale Avenue

2022 - Eastwood Drive, Park Avenue, Walden Trail

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.

Mowing, Storage Containers, 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 containers, junk cars, boats and trailers. Deephaven residents are typically very conscientious about the appearance of their property and being a “good neighbor”. Please remember that the City does have specific requirements on long grass and the storage of containers, 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.

Section 535.04 (cc) - Storage containers, storage pods and other similar type storage units, with or without wheels, cannot be stored outside on residential property for more than sixty (60) days over a twelve (12) month period.

Section 535.04 (dd) - Large garbage containers in excess of a standard 96-gallon refuse container must be kept clean, covered, and must be immediately emptied whenever it becomes full. Large garbage containers needed for a construction project can be stored on-site until the Zoning Coordinator determines it is no longer necessary to dispose of construction debris. Large storage areas cannot be created or maintained on a residential property unless reviewed and approved by the Zoning Coordinator. All other large garbage containers cannot be stored outside on residential property for more than sixty (60) days over a twelve (12) month period.

The beaches are open, most of the boats are on the lake, the tennis courts are already busy and it seems like half the town is taking a walk sometime during the day or early evening. Looks like we are ready for another exciting summer in Deephaven!

Congratulations to our graduated senior class members for a job well done. From academics to the arts to athletics, I can tell from the local papers you all made a significant contribution to your school and the community. You should feel very accomplished and confident, no matter what you have planned for your future.

The Council has truly enjoyed participating in the National Night Out festivities over the past many years, and we hope to see you August 2. Although the neighborhood kids prefer seeing the fire trucks and police cars, we enjoy visiting with those of you have recently moved into the area, as well as those of you who have had the privilege of being a Deephaven resident for 'many many' years.

The Public Works gang and the Garden Club have the Parks looking great and ready for your use. We have very little road work planned for the summer, so we won't be in your way. I guess all that is left to do is just get out there and have a great summer!

See ya' around the neighborhood

Paul

Volunteer Firefighters Wanted

As a volunteer firefighter you will have the chance to help others, serve the community and qualify for a pension, all while providing an essential public service. Take the first step by calling or emailing Fire Chief, Scott Gerber at 952-962-1650 or sgerber@excelsiorfire.org



Summer Hours at City Hall Starting May 31st and extending through September 2nd, 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 31st to September 2nd

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

City Hall Hours, September 6th to May 27th

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

**City Office will be closed :
July 4th and September 5th**

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
Kathy McCullum, Woodland City Clerk



Your City Council:

Mayor: Paul Skrede

Council members:

Keith Kask, Steve Erickson
Darel Gustafson, Tony Jewett

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 Thursday 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