



WOODLAND NEWS

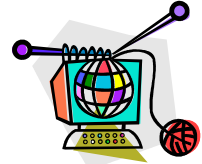
Newsletter for City Residents

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WOODLAND HAS A NEW WEBSITE

Thanks to Councilmember Mike Jilek the City has an official website that Citizens can access and get information on the City of Woodland affairs. You can access the City Ordinances, newsletters, directory of Councilmembers and minutes and agendas of meetings. Please take a look and bookmark this site in your favorites. www.cityofwoodlandmn.org We are open to any suggestions you may have to make our website even better.



FOND FAREWELL TO CITY CLERK SANDY LANGLEY

It is with great sadness that we say farewell to City Clerk Sandy Langley who has accepted a position with the City of Wayzata. Sandy has served as our City Clerk since December 17, 1990 and has provided outstanding service to our residents, as well as to the residents of Deephaven for whom she also serves as City Clerk.

She will be missed not only as a valuable member of our City staff but as a friend to all residents in the lake area. The South Lake – Excelsior Chamber of Commerce recognized Sandy's exceptional qualities earlier this year by awarding her the "Community Hero" award. This recognition was well-earned and long overdue.

Please join us in saying farewell and in wishing Sandy the best on Thursday, June 30th at City Hall. Coffee and cake and other treats will be served.

SPEEDING ON WOODLAND ROADS



The City is receiving numerous calls concerning vehicles speeding on Breezy Point Road and Maplewood Road. The Police Department will be patrolling more often in these areas to help us cut down the speed. There seems to be more traffic since the work has started on Hwy 494 and 101. Help keep our roads safe, please pay careful attention to the posted speed limits throughout Woodland and watch for walkers, joggers, children and bike riders.

PARKING ON CITY STREETS

Due to the extremely narrow roads in Woodland, parking is only allowed in designated parking zones which require a permit from the City. The permit may be obtained at City Hall for \$5. The Police Department will ticket vehicles that are improperly parked or parked without a permit. Please check with the City for parking restrictions. Don't forget to remind your lawn service providers or any other visitors of the parking restrictions.



SEPTIC SYSTEMS REVIEW



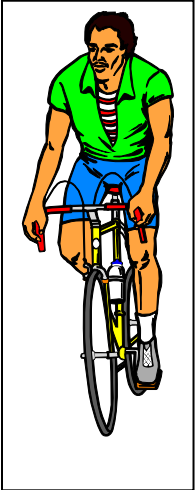
Once again Kurt Larsen has been hired by the City to handle this year's septic system review. He plans on conducting these reviews around the end of July. Kurt did a wonderful job last year and is eager to once again get to know many wonderful residents. Thank you to all who returned their septic system surveys, this will be a great help for future inspections.

BEFORE YOUR DIG – CALL GOPHER

Each year a number of individuals are seriously injured when they simply jump into various landscaping and/or building activities. Knowing the location of underground electric, natural gas, telephone, cable television, water & sewer lines before digging can greatly reduce your chances of injury. As the saying goes, “Call before you dig.”

In Minnesota, anyone planning digging activities must call Gopher State One Call at 651-454-0002 for proper location of all underground utilities 48 hours in advance. **Location services are free.**

TIPS FOR BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC WALKING & JOGGING ALONG ROAD SIDES



The basic tips for safe walking are not difficult, however, a surprising number of pedestrians don't follow them. The most important rule for pedestrians is to learn to walk defensively. **Walk or jog against traffic** on a road or a street without a sidewalk. This means walking on the left side of the road, facing oncoming cars.

The Night Walker – A pedestrian must be seen in order to be safe. At night, particularly on dark roads, walkers and joggers are hit before drivers even know they are there. Wear light colored clothing. A recent study shows that wearing white clothing reduces a pedestrian's accident probabilities by approximately 48 percent. Reflector tape on outerwear is added insurance that you will be seen. Swinging a flashlight back and forth will increase visibility.

A bicycle driven at night must have a white front light that can be seen 500 feet away. The law requires it. A red rear reflector that can be seen 100-600 feet away is also required. Bicycles must ride with traffic.

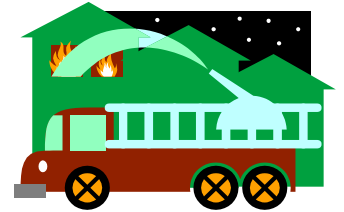
FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE

The City of Wayzata continues to provide Fire protection service to the City of Woodland.

Residents are still responsible for all costs related to calls from their residence, even if the call was unintentional.

Often the fire alarm is canceled before the fire trucks arrive at your residence, or leave the station. The Wayzata Fire Fighters are paid for responding to all fire calls even if the call is false. The Fire Department charges a minimum of \$250 per call and an additional \$250 per hour. Woodland passed a resolution that took effect May 1, 2002 to assess residents \$250 for the first call (false or real) followed by \$500 for all subsequent calls in a 12-month period. *You may want to check with your insurance or alarm company to learn if charges related to false alarms are covered.*

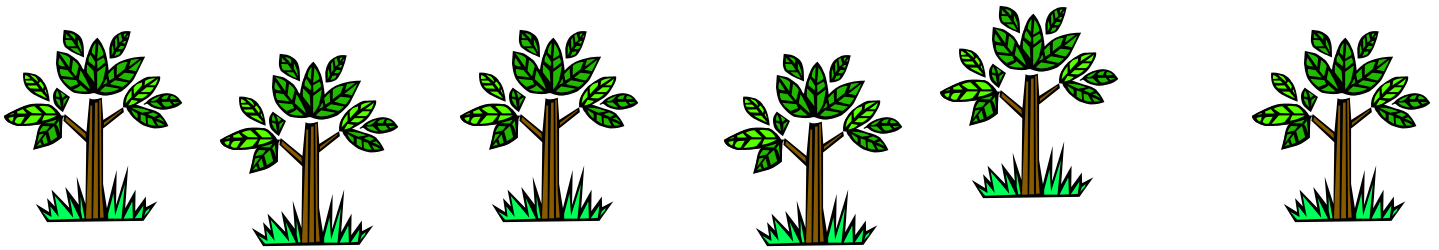
This policy has allowed the City to keep the cost of the Fire Service Contract very low.



RECYCLING COLLECTION

Collection is every Thursday. Make sure any items to be recycled are visible to the driver by 7:00 AM.

If you have any questions call EZ-Recycling at 651-644-6577 or City Hall at 952-474-4755



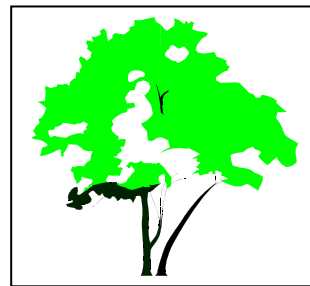
Trimming trees: If branches near power lines affect your electric service, call Xcel at 1-800-895-4999. If branches need trimming but do not affect service, call Xcel to schedule a de-energizing appointment before trimming.

TREE TRIMMING

Many residents are eager to get a head start on yard work with our first nice days. Most trees and bushes can be trimmed in the spring. The exceptions include spring flowering bushes/trees, which should be trimmed after flowering is complete, and all oak trees. Oak trees are susceptible to oak wilt and should not be trimmed April-June.

Commercial tree trimmers working in the City of Woodland, are required to be licensed with the City. Licenses must be renewed yearly. Tree Trimmers licensed for 2005 include:

Shorewood Tree Service	(952) 955-3018
Davey Tree Expert Company	(330) 673-9511
Aarons Tree Service	(952) 474-3003
Top Notch Tree Service	(952) 922-3239
Shadywood Tree Experts	(952) 933-0614
Emery's Tree Service	(952) 955-1848
Ostvig Tree Inc.	(952) 473-0534
Annatone Tree Service	(952) 546-0079
Charles Dart Tree	(763) 263-7461
Rainbow Tree Care	(952) 922-3810



For disposal of brush, contact your individual refuse hauler, or drop off branches up to 3" in diameter at the Bloomington Recycling Drop-off center. Call (612) 348-6509 for hours and costs. If you use Waste Management as your refuse hauler, make sure you have it out by 6 AM on Thursdays.

Important Notice Regarding Disposal of Yard and Tree Waste

State Law prohibits you from placing yard and tree waste in your garbage. This includes: grass clippings, leaves and shrub/brush/tree waste. It also prohibits refuse haulers from disposing of yard, shrub, and tree materials in waste facilities. Tree waste and brush can be disposed of at the Hennepin County Tree Site in Maple Grove. Call Hennepin County for more information on low-cost yard waste management or the County Tree Site: Hennepin County – Department of Environmental Management (612) 348-6509.

OTHER DROP OFF LOCATIONS for brush/branches not bundled are as follows:
(Call for directions, fees and hours)

1. Rumpca Companies, Inc. (651-459-1556) 700 Pullman Ave. St. Paul Park, MN 55071
Local Site: 4220 County Rd #10 M, Watertown, MN 55388 (952) 955-1136

2. NRG Processing Solutions, 952-446-1056
4250 Creekview Cr. Minnetrista, MN 55364

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