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General Election— November 7th

Elections for local, state and federal offices will be held on Tuesday, November 7.

The polling location will be open from 7:00AM to 8:00PM - 2860 East Road

Two City Council seats (four-year terms) are open this year.

The candidates for this office include:

Tom Newberry and Jim Doak

To Vote you must be:

- A U.S. Citizen
- At least 18 years old
- A MN resident for a least 20 days on Election Day

You must register if:

- Your name or address changes
- You have not voted in four years

Absentee Voting

You may vote by absentee ballot, if you are not able to vote on Election Day

Absentee Ballots are available beginning October 6 at the City Hall. In addition to regular City Hall hours, you may vote absentee on Saturday, November 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Also on Monday, November 6th until 5:00 p.m.



Thank you to the Election Judges

We would like to extend our appreciation to the Election Judges who served on the State Primary Election.

Thanks To:

Grace Norris
Sliv Carlson
Chuck Stark
Liz Caye
Monna Suerth
Marilyn Bryant

Also, thanks to Rick & Debbie Moehring for the use of their home as our polling location.

Parking On City Streets

Planning a holiday party? Woodland has limited designated parking zones, which require a permit from the City before use. The permit may be obtained through the

Clerk's Department at City Hall. The parking permit is \$5.

The Police Department will ticket vehicles that are improperly parked or parked without a permit.

Please check with the City for parking restrictions. Remind your lawn/snow service providers or construction/service trucks of the parking restrictions.

2007 City Budget

The City Council approved a balanced budget and Tax Levy for 2007.

The 2007 budget increased \$14,289, or 5.76% from the 2006 budget. The approved tax levy of \$234,774, represents a \$15,774 or a 7.2% increase from the 2006 tax levy.

The Council will adopt the final budget and levy at their meeting on December 11th at 7:00pm. Comments are welcome.

Revenue Category	2007 Budget	% of Revenue
Taxes (current & delinquent)	\$ 237,524	90.66%
Licenses & Permits	\$ 10,000	3.82%
Govt. Aid	\$ 5,968	2.28%
Charges for Services	\$ 2,500	0.95%
Fines & Forfeits	\$ 2,000	0.76%
Interest Income & Misc	\$ 4,000	1.53%
Total Revenues	\$ 261,992	100.00%
Expenditure Category	2007 Budget	% of Expenses
Gen. Govt. / Elections	\$ 550	0.21%
Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, Assessor, Zoning, supplies & equip., printing, postage	\$ 58,285	22.25%
Legal service	\$ 20,000	7.63%
Police	\$ 107,157	40.90%
Streets, snow plowing, mowing, trees	\$ 54,800	20.92%
Recycling, Insurance, deer control	\$ 21,200	8.09%
Total Expenditures	\$ 261,992	100.00%

Pumpkins are low in calories, fat, and sodium and high in fiber. They are good sources of Vitamin A, Vitamin B, potassium, protein, and iron.

The largest pumpkin ever grown was 1,337 pounds. It was grown by Charles Houghton of New Boston, New Hampshire.

Halloween Open House at the Police Department

The Deephaven/Woodland Police Department will host their annual Halloween Open House at the City Hall on Tuesday, October 31st from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Wear your costume and come join us for treats and games.



Fire Protection Service

The City of Woodland has a contract with the City of Wayzata for fire protection services. Residents are responsible for costs related to calls from their residence when it is a false alarm or fire.

Often, your fire alarm is canceled prior to the fire trucks arriving at your residence, or even leaving the station. However, the Wayzata Fire Department pays the volunteer firemen for showing up and incurs charges. The City of Woodland adopted a Resolution to assess fire calls to the property where the call originated. The first call is \$250. The second call and all additional calls will be \$500 in the same calendar year. This arrangement has allowed the City to keep the cost of the Fire Service Contract very low.

Happenings Around Town

Art-Abilities Gallery Opening at Ridgedale Library

Saturday, October 7th at 10:30am

A National Disability Awareness Month's Community Enrichment Week event showcasing contributions from people of all abilities make to their communities.

Please join the community to view a showcase of original art and meet area artists representing over 5000 Minnesotans with disabilities.

Art will be on display October 8-22

JIM BRANDENBURG'S "TOUCH THE SKY" EXHIBIT"

October 1–December 31

At the University of Minnesota's Bell Museum.
www.bellmuseum.org

The magnificent yet fragile American prairie is the subject of "Touch the Sky: Prairie Photographs by Jim Brandenburg," a tribute to the breathtaking vistas and iconic creatures that live in the tall grass prairies of Minnesota, Nebraska, the Dakotas and Iowa.

The Bell Museum is on the Minneapolis campus of the University of Minnesota at the southwest corner of 17th Ave. (Church St.) and University Ave. S.E. Easy access from either I-35W or I-94.

Science on Screen

At the University of Minnesota's Bell Museum.

www.bellmuseum.org

General museum information:

(612) 624-7083

Winged Migration October 19

A bird's eye view from the cameras of Jacques Perrin, which fly with migratory birds in search of food, good weather, and a place to hatch young.

History on Screen

The Science Museum's Omnitheater

(651) 221-9444

This fall, you can learn the facts about the Vikings in the Omnitheater's new giant screen film, *Vikings: Journey to New Worlds*.

From their beautifully crafted ships to their burly exterior, Vikings are among the best-known and most intriguing characters throughout history. The film follows the sagas of Erik the Red and his son Leif Eriksson as they travel to Iceland, Greenland and, eventually, North America.

Computer generated maps of the Vikings route and aerial shots of their landscape will make you feel like you're actually part of the crew. You'll sail past giant icebergs into fjords that rise 3,000 feet straight out of the sea. Witness the bravery and wonder of the people who left an ever-lasting impression on the world.

The Minnesota Wing is an active WWII aircraft museum with seven aircraft, a growing museum and numerous vehicles.

A non-profit all-volunteer museum which participates in airshows and civic events. The hangar not only protects and displays the aircraft, but also houses numerous original artifacts which are always on display. They maintain and restore a growing fleet of military and civilian vehicles which can be seen at the hangar.

The Minnesota Wing's hangar is located in the southeast metro in the city of South St. Paul. We are located slightly south of I-494 between Highway 52 and Highway 10, approximately six miles east of the intersection of I-35E.



Minnesota Wing Commemorative Air Force
South St. Paul Municipal Airport (Fleming Field) ~ SGS

Hangar #3 310 Airport Road
South St. Paul, MN 55075

651.455.6942 www.cafsmw.org

Permits are Required



The City requires permits for **all** building construction, electrical, plumbing, heating and cooling and any work done to septic systems.

Permits can be obtained at the City Hall Offices.

Zoning restrictions apply to all property in

Woodland. Call the City Hall with questions about structure setbacks, height restrictions, and impervious cover limits.

Cleaning out the garage before winter?

Hennepin County Drop-off Facilities

8100 Jefferson Hwy in Brooklyn Park or
1400 96th Street in Bloomington.

Items Accepted: household cleaners, pesticides/poisons, mercury containing items, paint, automotive fluids

TVs, VCRs, computers, phones, batteries, fluorescent lamps,

Appliances (fee), auto tires (fee)

OPEN: Tue, Wed & Thur 10am-6pm

Wed. 10-8pm & Sat. 8am-5pm

Questions: Call 612-348-3777

Septic System Maintenance

Kurt Larsen, the Septic System Reviewer for Woodland, recently looked at 1/2 of the septic system in Woodland. Several systems were found to be in need of pumping by the end of September and others will need to be pumped in 2007. If your system was one that was looked at you should have received a notice from the City regarding Kurt's findings.

The City Ordinance requires that you or your system pumper notify the city once the system has been pumped. Pumping reports can be faxed or mailed to the City Hall.

Septic Tank and Holding Tank Pumping. An owner of a system must maintain the system in compliance with this Section 705, Minn. Stat. Chapter 115, Minn. Rules Chapter 7080 and any other manufacturing requirements. **An owner of a system shall regularly, but in no case less frequently than every three years, measure or remove the accumulations of scum, which include grease and other floating materials at the top of each septic tank and compartment along with the sludge, which includes the solids denser than water.** An owner of a septic tank must arrange for the removal and proper disposal of septage from all tanks or compartments in which the top of the sludge layer is less than 12 inches below the bottom of the outlet baffle, or whenever the bottom of the scum layer is less than three inches above the bottom of the outlet baffle. All accumulations of sludge, scum, and liquids must be removed through the maintenance hole. An owner shall install maintenance holes in sewage tanks in accordance with the technical standards to allow for maintenance to take place through the maintenance hole.

Registration Required. Each pumping of every septic tank and holding tank shall be registered with the City within 7 days of the pumping on forms provided for that purpose. The contractor shall certify to the City (1) the owners of the property, (2) the property address, (3) the date of pumping, (4) the gallons removed and (5) the location of sanitary disposal.

In an on-going effort to improve our record keeping, we need your help to provide the information on a timely basis. Please remind your septic system pumper to send the city a notice of when your system has been pumped.

October

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	⁹ City Council	10	11	¹² recycling	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	²⁶ recycling	27	28
29	30	³¹ Police Open house				

November

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	⁴ ^{10 to 3} absentee
5	⁶ Absentee Voting to 5pm	⁷ Election 7am-8pm	8	⁹ recycling	¹⁰ city hall closed	¹¹ Veterans Day
12	¹³ City Council	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	²³ city hall closed	²⁴ recycling city hall closed	25
26	27	28	29	30		

December

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	⁷ recycling	8	9
10	¹¹ City Council	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	²¹ recycling	22	23
24	²⁵ city hall closed	26	27	28	29	30

Schedule of Events

- October 9 City Council Meeting
- November 7 General Election 7am- 8pm
- November 10 City Hall Closed to recognize Veterans Day
- November 13 City Council Meeting
- November 23 & 24–Thanksgiving Holiday - City Hall closed
- November 24 Recycling Pick-upon Friday
- December 11 City Council Meeting
- December 25 Christmas Holiday–City Hall closed
- January 2 City Hall closed

Honeycrisp Apple as the State Fruit

First introduced in 2005, the bill originated as a writing assignment for a class of students from Andersen Elementary School in Bayport. The students and their teacher, Laurel Avery, decided to take the idea further, and eventually convinced Rep. Mike Charron (R-Woodbury) and Sen. Brian LeClair (R-Woodbury) to carry the actual legislation.



The Honeycrisp, a genetically engineered hybrid of the Macoun and Honeygold apple varieties, was developed at the University of Minnesota's Horticultural Research Center starting in the 1960s and formally introduced in 1991. Charron said the apple has become "one of the chief agricultural products in the fruit industry," and that there are now tens of thousands of trees planted across the United States and more than a million worldwide. Minnesota is the 21st state to adopt an official state fruit.

Wi-Fi

Throughout the Twin Cities, city governments are looking at Wi-Fi networks, which provide portable high-speed Internet access through a standard radio transmission called Wireless Fidelity.

The Lake Minnetonka Cable Commission has been researching options, interest and cost to provide Wi-Fi service to the western suburb communities. www.lmcc-tv.org to stay updated.

Q&A: Clearing up confusion over Wi-Fi

Q What's the difference between the Wi-Fi network and the cable and phone company broadband services?

A Portability, speed and price. Qwest, ComCast, TimeWarner and MediaCom do not offer wireless services. Cities like Minneapolis who just signed on with a wireless network will offer 1-megabit download service for \$20 a month. Qwest offers 1.5 megabits for \$32 a month. Time Warner offers 5 megabits for \$45 a month. Comcast offers 6 megabits for \$58 a month. MediaCom offers 6 megabits for \$56 a month.

Q Is a special modem necessary?

A You won't need a modem if you use a Wi-Fi-equipped laptop either outdoors or within most buildings near the windows. You'll need one if you have a desktop computer without a wireless card, or if you use your laptop in the windowless interior of a building or the upper floors of a tall building.

FACTS & STATISTICS—about Minnesota

Size: 12th largest in the US - Total Population: 5 million

Five Largest Cities:

Minneapolis – 375,635

St. Paul – 284,037

Rochester – 90,515

Duluth – 86,419

Bloomington – 84,092

Saganaga Lake is the deepest lake in the state at 240 feet. Also the home of the largest walleye, caught in 1979, weighing 17 pounds 8 ounces.

Population under age 18: 1.3 million - Median Age: 35.4 years

Facts about Minnesota's waters.

Lake Superior is the largest of the Great Lakes.

Minnesota is home to the world's third largest river, the Mississippi.

11,842 lakes (over 10 acres)

Mississippi River: 680 miles of its 2,552 total miles flow through Minnesota.

Average snowfall - 53 inches

State Tree - Red Pine (Also called the Norway Pine)

State Fish - Walleye

State Bird - Common Loon

State Butterfly – Monarch (four generations of Monarchs are born in Minnesota each summer; the last flies south to Mexico for the winter.

1825 - Fort Snelling completed, the first European-American settlement.

1858 – Minnesota becomes state (32nd state in the union)

1862 – US-Dakota Conflict