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Woodland News

September - November | Fall 2021

ESSENTIAL DATES

Recycling Pickup Dates

September 9, 23
October 7, 21
November 4, 18
December 2, 16, 30

September 6 Labor Day

City Hall closed
Regular hours resume
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. M-F

September 13, 7 p.m. Council Meeting

Preliminary budget approval

October 11, 7 p.m. Council Meeting

*Assessment of delinquent
accounts*

November 8, 7 p.m. Council Meeting

December 13, 7 p.m. Council Meeting

*Truth in Taxation
Final budget approval*

Buckthorn Removal

Woodland Public Works is offering to remove buckthorn this winter at a nominal price. The brush will be cut and removed, and stumps covered with black plastic to stop growth and kill the roots. If interested, call the City Clerk to get on the schedule.

2021 Street Improvements

In March, the City awarded a contract to Molnau Trucking to mill and overlay all Woodland streets except Breezy Point Road, which was done last year. We are pleased to announce that work is slated to begin the last week in August. The entire project should take approximately three weeks.

What to Expect

The first phase is milling and reclaiming. Maplewood Road and Maplewood Circle will be reclaimed, meaning all existing blacktop will be removed and the road will be repaved. All other streets will be milled and overlaid, grinding off the top layer and repaving. Expect some disruption in traffic flow and increased dust during this phase. Please use Breezy Point Road to exit and enter the city as much as possible and follow traffic control instructions.

Before repaving the road, a bituminous tack coat is applied. Fresh black top is then applied and rolled. Traffic control will have vehicles avoid these areas until the blacktop has cooled. We apologize for the inconvenience this project may cause and appreciate your patient cooperation through this major project.

Preparation

Before work begins on your street, use spray paint to mark locations of all sprinkler heads, underground irrigation lines and invisible fencing on your property that are close to the road. If you have arborvitae or other landscaping at the edge of the street, please trim, wrap, or pull it away from the road before work begins. The City cannot be responsible for damage. If you need assistance, please contact the head of Public Works, Tim Lovett at 612-226-8344 or csilandscaping@yahoo.com. He or a crew member will meet you at the property and help with necessary preparations.

Project Updates

Project updates will be posted on the City's homepage at woodlandmn.org, under News & Notices. If you are subscribed to notifications, you'll be automatically alerted when there are new street updates. Go to woodlandmn.org > ABOUT US > Subscribe to Updates to get started.

The tentative work schedule by road, and project contacts, may be found on page 3.

CITY DIRECTORY

City Hall (*Deephaven and Woodland*)
20225 Cottagewood Road
Deephaven, MN 55391

City Hall Hours

After Labor Day, 8 a.m.-4:30 M-F

www.woodlandmn.org

City Clerk

Sara Skalle
952-358-9936
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Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Monday - Thursday

Mayor

Vince Suerth

2021 Council Members

Dave Daniels
John Massie
Tom Newberry
Juan Vazquez

City Council Meetings

2nd Mondays, 7 p.m.

Residents always welcome!
Agendas & minutes on website

Deephaven Police Department

952-474-7555 Non-emergency
763-525-6210 After Hours

Wayzata Fire Department

952-404-5337 Non-emergency

Gopher State One Call

Call before you dig!
811 or 800-252-1166

Planning Director

Pat Smith
952-358-9938

Building Permits

Teresa Pendleton
952-358-9935

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD)

Denny Newell, Board Member

Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission (LMCC)

Mike Jilek, Representative



They're Here!

Emerald Ash Borers are currently the biggest threat to Minnesota's tree canopy

Do you have ash trees worth saving in your yard? Look for:

- Multiple leaves on one stalk.
- Thick bark with distinct diamond-shaped ridges.
- Branches and buds that are directly across from each other, not staggered.
- Seeds that are oar-shaped and hang in clusters.

Emerald ash borers are small, only about 3/8-1/2 inch long, about the size of a cooked grain of rice. It may be easier to spot physical signs of them than the insect itself. Look for:

- Serpentine patterns under the bark where larvae have fed.
- D-shaped holes in bark where adults have exited.
- Loss of leaves at the top of the tree.
- Increased woodpecker activity.
- Sprouts at the base of the tree.

Work with a certified arborist to treat your ash trees, either as a preventative measure or treatment if already infested. Learn more at the Hennepin County website (hennepin.us/ashtrees).



Recycling Update

Republic Services has established a Woodland-specific email account to more efficiently track and respond to questions, requests, and concerns.

Use woodlandCS@republicservices.com to:

- Change the name on the account or set up new service.
- Request a new or additional recycling receptacle.
- Report a missed pickup.
(To be "missed" bins must be out by 7 a.m. Drivers track which ones are not out.)

Recycle only what can be recycled. When in doubt, throw it out.

Amended Lighting Ordinance in Effect

On June 14, the City Council approved amendments to ordinance 900.23 pertaining to exterior lighting. The ordinance went into effect on July 1 when it was published in the *Sun Sailor* newspaper. This was the third of three ordinances that were updated following the adoption of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

As the days get shorter and the end of Daylight Savings Time approaches, make preparations (such as resetting timers or adjusting holiday lighting plans) to comply with the new ordinance.

The amendments specify that decorative lighting and lighting for recreational purposes be turned off between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. This includes architectural and landscape lighting, any lights pointing up, and all forms of string lights, including holiday decorations. (Lights that illuminate addresses or the U.S. flag are exempt.)

Exterior lights at doorways, along sidewalks and driveways may be lit throughout the night for safety.

To the right is the full text of the ordinance. Please call Planning Director Pat Smith with any questions.

**Truth in Taxation - Annual Budget Meeting
December 13, 7 p.m.**

At the December City Council meeting, the 2022 General Fund Budget will be discussed and receive final approval, setting the levy amount for 2022. All residents are welcome to attend.

900.23 Exterior Lighting

Subd. 1. Purpose.

The purpose of this Subsection is to balance the concern for the environment with the need for safety, security, and the illumination of after-dark activities.

Subd. 2. Applicability.

The requirements of this Subsection apply to all outdoor lighting except street lighting within public rights-of-way.

Subd. 3. General Provisions:

(a) Sources of artificial light shall be so fixed, directed, designed and sized so that the sum total of their illumination will not increase the level of illumination on any nearby residential property by more than 0.1 foot candle in or within 25 feet of a dwelling nor more than 0.5 foot candle on any part of the property.

(b) Decorative lighting (e.g. string lights, icicle lights, rope lighting, or seasonal decoration lighting) shall be extinguished between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. or when people are not present, whichever is later. Decorative lighting must be installed so it is clear that it is strictly decorative in nature and not being used to circumvent the purpose of this section.

(c) Architectural and landscaping lighting shall be extinguished between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Lighting for the United States of America flag is exempt.

(d) Safety lighting along walkways within 50 feet of a house, driveways, pedestrian doors, garage doors and for addresses that direct lighting downward or horizontally may be lit throughout the night. With the exception of lighting addresses, safety lighting that is directed upwards shall be extinguished between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Lighting for driveways and walkways shall not exceed seven (7)-feet from the ground.

(e) Lighting for recreational purposes (i.e., sport courts, hockey rinks, or other similar features) shall direct all lighting downward and spill must be controlled. Luminaire mounting height shall not exceed 15 feet above the ground and shall be extinguished between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

2021 Street Improvements (cont'd from page 1)

The dates below may change, yet show how the project will move through the City. Please mark sprinkler heads, etc., before work begins on your street.

Mill/Reclaim Order

Aug. 30 - Sept. 3

- Blaine Avenue
- Maple Hill Road
- Shavers Lane
- Maplewood Road
- Maplewood Circle
- (counter-clockwise)
- Marshland Road
- Cedar Ridge Road
- Spirit Knob Road
- Gale Road
- Woolsey Lane
- Breezy Heights Road
- Stone Arch Road

Paving Order

September 3 - 9

- Marshland Road
- Cedar Ridge Road
- Maplewood Circle
- Gale Road
- Maplewood Road
- Shavers Lane
- Woolsey Lane
- Breezy Heights Road
- Maple Hill Road
- Blaine Avenue
- Stone Arch Road

Road Work Contacts

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Art Taylor, On-Site Inspector
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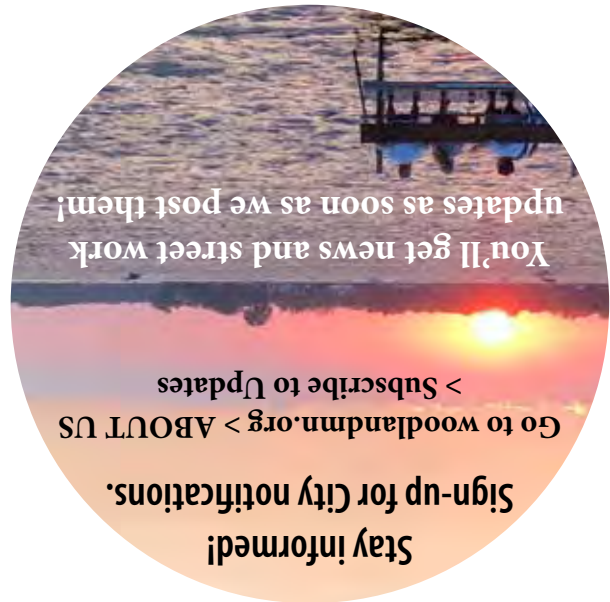
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Deephaven, MN 55331

- In this newsletter
- Street work is starting soon
 - Amended lighting ordinance
 - Protect your ash trees
 - An email just for recycling issues
 - Mailbox improvement project
 - Winter buckthorn removal



Tree Removal

It is unlawful to cut any tree with a diameter greater than six inches, and tree service companies must be licensed to work in Woodland. A Vegetation Alteration Permit may be required for any tree removal. Check the website before starting any work: woodlandmn.org > RESIDENTS > Protecting Lakes & Trees.

Speed Limit: 25 mph

Woodland is not the Nurburging Nordschleife. Slow down. Stay alert for bikers, pedestrians, and wandering critters.

Fall Leaves & Yard Debris

Make arrangements with your garbage service to collect fall yard debris. Better yet, start a neighborhood compost area.

Mailbox Safety & Improvements

The City is launching a project to increase safety for drivers, pedestrians, residents retrieving mail, and mail carriers. Moving four large banks of mailboxes off of Breezy Point and Maplewood Road will make our streets safer for everyone.

New locations are marked with orange-topped stakes just around the corner on the side streets. Owners of those mailboxes will be contacted directly in September.

While not funding this effort, the City is making cost-effective solutions available to residents. Public Works will build new mailbox stands and USPS-approved locking mailboxes will be provided at reasonable rates to deter the mail theft that persists within the City. If you are interested in participating, call the City Clerk.