

MEETINGS

Week of November 6, 2017

Monday, November 6
City Council, 7 p.m.

Friday, November 10

City offices closed for Veterans Day

Meetings take place at City Hall unless otherwise noted. The public is welcome to attend. Agendas are available online at lakevillemn.gov.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pumpkin Composting

Saturday & Sunday, November 4 & 5
Lakeville Police Station, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
Drop off your pumpkins during this free event. All pumpkins will be transported to a local organics recycling facility. Remove all candles and other non-organic materials. Painted pumpkins cannot be accepted.

Lakeville LOOP Circulator Bus Service
Begins on Thursday, November 9
Operates Thursdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
\$3 all-you-can-ride daily fare

The City of Lakeville has partnered with DARTS to provide the Lakeville LOOP Circulator Bus service to Lakeville seniors. The LOOP is a reliable, continuous transportation service for people age 62 and older, providing accessibility from senior housing locations to Lakeville amenities like retail, groceries, senior center and the local library.

Special Assessment Reminder

A reminder to residents in the 2017 Street Reconstruction and the Holyoke Avenue Improvement Projects—you have until November 15 to pay off assessments without interest. Go to lakevillemn.gov under City News to find a link to the eProperty Special Assessment Lookup to find the amount you owe, or call 952-985-4500 with any questions.

Winter Parking Began November 1

Lakeville's winter parking ordinance is now being enforced. No cars can be parked on the street between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. There is also no on-street parking when it's snowing, until the roads have been cleared.

205th Street Channel Stabilization Project Update

The City of Lakeville has been working with the Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Organization (VRWJPO) to stabilize the 205th Street channel and prevent further erosion and sediment deposit into Lake Marion.

In 2009, the City approached VRWJPO about jointly working to restore a portion of the channel that drains into Lake Marion. Excessive stormwater runoff from upstream had caused eight- to ten-foot cuts along the banks of the stream, which led to large deposits of sediment and nutrients into the lake. This first phase of the project took place from 205th Street to the walking bridge that crosses the channel.

Earlier this year, VRWJPO began the second phase of the project with the City, which entailed restoring approximately 1,200 additional feet along the channel from the walking bridge downstream to the wetland area just upstream of Lake Marion.

The restoration work in both phases included removing dead trees or trees that were in poor health. This allows the soil below the trees to be exposed and encourages new vegetation growth, which helps reduce soil erosion and nutrient deposits into the lake.

Runoff carries nutrients such as phosphorus and nitrogen, which are detrimental to the health of the lake. For example, one pound of phosphorus is capable of creating about 1,000 pounds of algae. Reducing these deposits increases the health of Lake Marion's water for aquatic wildlife and those who use the lake for recreation.

This year, the eroded slopes were regraded, seeded and boulders were installed to increase the stability of the stream banks. New trees and shrubs were also planted to help with soil stabilization.

The City of Lakeville and VRWJPO are committed to protecting and improving our local water resources, and this project is a good example of helping to achieve those goals.



New Gift Cards Available from Parks & Recreation

Parks & Recreation gift cards are now available! They can be redeemed for any Lakeville recreation program (adult leagues, fitness classes, sport camps), Active Adults programs (classes, trips, memberships) or Lakeville Area Arts Center events (theater tickets, classes).

You can purchase cards in any amount and they do not expire. They make great gifts for holidays, birthdays, anniversaries or any other special event.

Purchase these new gift cards at any of the following locations during regular business hours:

- **Parks & Recreation Department:** 20195 Holyoke Avenue
- **Heritage Center:** 20110 Holyoke Avenue
- **Arts Center:** 20965 Holyoke Avenue

For more information, call Parks & Recreation at 952-985-4600.

STAFF UPDATES

Park Maintenance

The department is working with a group of individuals that would like to take the lead on constructing an accessible nine-hole miniature golf course at King Park south of the playground.

A new asphalt trail was installed at Highview Heights Park. Staff prepared the site to install a sandbox next to the new playground and started preparing the site for seeding.

Winterization of park buildings began last week. All park facility restrooms are now closed for the season. Heated buildings will continue to have facilities available to groups that rent the meeting spaces.

Public Works - Utilities Division

Utilities has completed 1,121 Gopher State One Call locates during the month of October.

Utilities continues with its 2017 water meter replacement program and has completed 875 meter replacements to date.

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