

MEETINGS

Week of December 18, 2017

Monday, December 18
City Council, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 20
Parks, Recreation & Natural Resources Committee, 6 p.m.

Thursday, December 21
Planning Commission - *cancelled*

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

Mayor's Office Hours

Mayor Doug Anderson has office hours on Mondays from 3 to 5 p.m. at City Hall. To schedule an appointment, call 952-985-4403.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parks & Rec, Arts Center, Heritage Center Gift Cards Now Available

These new gift cards can be purchased in any amount and can be used for:

- Parks & Recreation programs, classes, leagues, special events
- Lakeville Area Arts Center shows, classes
- Lakeville Area Active Adults classes, trips, passes, memberships

Purchase cards at City Hall (20195 Holyoke Avenue), the Arts Center (20965 Holyoke Avenue) or the Heritage Center (20110 Holyoke Avenue).

Job Opportunity

Police Officer

\$28.43-\$39.16 per hour. For more information and to apply online, go to lakevillemn.gov. Applications must be filed online and a resume is also required.

Outdoor Skating Rinks

The Parks Department has started flooding skating rinks. Check to see if your location is open before heading out to skate. Follow us at Twitter [@lakevilleparks](https://twitter.com/lakevilleparks) or call our hotline at 952-985-4690, option #1 for updates. For more information on rink locations, including two new locations at Rolling Oaks and Quail Meadows parks, visit lakevillemn.gov.

\$20,000 Grant Awarded to Lakeville for Legacy Park Construction

The City of Lakeville was recently awarded a \$20,000 grant to assist in the construction of a new neighborhood park called Legacy Park.

McKee Foods, a Tennessee-based family-owned company best known for its line of Little Debbie brand snack cakes, is promoting its Outdoor Happiness Movement or OH! program, designed to promote active outdoor lifestyles. This program will contribute to 50 projects in 50 states over a five-year period, providing \$1 million to promoting outdoor activity.



A local resident informed the City about the program and a proposal was submitted to assist in the construction of Legacy Park, which will be located on the east side of Holyoke Avenue, across from All Saints Catholic Church.

According to Parks & Recreation Director John Hennen, plans and specifications for the park are now being finalized. The preliminary master plan includes amenities such as paved and natural trails with fitness pods, play areas by age groups, a picnic shelter, enhanced native landscapes and more. Construction will occur in 2018.

New Art Exhibit at the Lakeville Area Arts Center: Minnesota Contemporary Quilters

Now through January 5, 2018

Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

(evening hours vary based on building activities)

Lakeville Area Arts Center
20965 Holyoke Avenue

Each year, Minnesota Contemporary Quilters are challenged to make a quilt that will travel for a year to venues throughout the state. The 2017 theme was the phrase "Big and Small." Over 30 members took the challenge and were inspired to design a visual interpretation. This fascinating exhibit is a wonderful example of the group's artistic creativity.



THRIVE! BUSINESS UPDATES

The Lakeville Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors recently approved the **LAKEVILLE WORKS! Initiative** for 2018. Lakeville Works! seeks to help employers recruit qualified applicants, train workers, encourage advancement on a career pathway and retain employees.

Construction of several new businesses was recently completed. **Launch Park Warehouse**, located at Cedar Avenue and 222nd Street, is a 286,000-square-foot multi-tenant warehouse with 32-foot interior clear height ceilings. Menasha Packaging is the first tenant and is occupying 150,000 square feet. **Christian Brothers Automotive** has opened a new 5,000-square-foot building at 17470 Dodd Boulevard and will offer a variety of auto services.

Several ribbon cuttings were held recently including **EXIT Realty Leaders** at 20765 Holyoke Avenue and **McDonald Eye Care Associates**, which held a grand opening for their new 6,722-square-foot building at 20094 Kenwood Trail.

Green Your Holidays

Did you know that the volume of trash generally increases by 25% between the Thanksgiving and New Year's holidays? Here are some tips for having an eco-friendly holiday season.

- Most wrapping paper is not recyclable. Wrap gifts for an avid gardener, for example, in a watering can or gifts for someone who loves cooking can be wrapped in an apron or mixing bowl.
- If you're hosting a meal, avoid making too much food that may end up getting thrown out, and get creative with all your leftovers.
- Unwanted packing peanuts can be taken to The Recycling Zone (3365 Dodd Road in Eagan) or if you need some yourself, you can get them there for free.
- After the holidays are over, bring live greenery such as trees, garlands or wreaths to a yard waste site. For a list of residential compost sites, visit dakotavalleyrecycling.org. You can also call your garbage hauler to find out about curbside pickup.