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Recent Council Actions

The City Council designated the *Shoreview Press* as the legal newspaper for the City of Shoreview for the 2011 calendar year.

The *Shoreview Press* will publish City ordinances and other City matters as are required by law to be published. General City news will be included in both the *Shoreview Press* and *Shoreview-Arden Hills Bulletin*.

The City of Shoreview was presented with its Official Bond Rating Upgrade certificate at the January 3 Council Meeting. The City's bond rating was upgraded to AAA, the highest rating possible by Standard & Poors in November.

Mayor Martin accepted the certificate on behalf of the staff and City Council and credited Finance Director, Jeanne Haapala, for her efforts to obtain this upgraded credit rating. The City's Financial Advisor, Terri Heaton, from Springstead, Inc. presented the certificate to the City.



Council Awards Bid for Water Tower Repainting

The City Council approved the bid from Classic Protective Coatings, Inc. for repainting the 1.5 million gallon water tower located at the northwest corner of Victoria Street and County Road E. The total amount of the bid was \$666,666 bringing the total estimated cost of the project to \$847,000. The bid was significantly below the engineer's estimate of \$845,000. The project will begin in March and is scheduled to be completed by the end of June before the peak summer water use season. The City's new logo will be on the new water tower.

New Recycling Provider Begins Pickup the Week of January 10, 2011



Allied Waste Services will be Shoreview's new recycling provider. The first official pickup week will be the week of January 10. By now all residents should have received their new blue recycling bin. If not, call Allied Waste Services at 952.941.5174. In addition, Waste Management will pick up all old green carts after the final recycling collection during the week of December 27. If you still have an old cart or have any other questions, call Shoreview Public Works at 651.490.4650.

2011 Committee and Commission Reappointments

Council reappointed the following individuals to committees and commissions for terms expiring January 31, 2014:



- Keith Severson and Mark Stange: Bikeways and Trails
- Dave Kroona, William Fessler and David Lukowitz: Economic Development Commission
- Scott Halstead and Len Ferrington: Environmental Quality Committee
- Mark Frey, Nancy Hite and Angela Heiderscheid: Human Rights Commission
- Robert Muller, Jane Pletscher and Nito Quitevis: Lake Regulations Committee
- Charlie Oltman and Athrea Hedrick: Park and Recreation Commission
- Gerry Wenner and Deb Ferrington: Planning Commission
- Barbara Russo and Peter Panos: Public Safety Committee
- William Guthrie and Tim Warnes: Telecommunications and Technology

In addition the Council appointed Larry Feldsien as chair of the Planning Commission and Gerry Wenner as vice chair for one year terms expiring on January 31, 2012.

Environmental Quality Committee Hosts 2011 Speaker Series



This winter and spring the Committee is sponsoring a series of free presentations with information on a variety of issues that are affecting the environment around where you live.

Water Contaminants in Minnesota Lakes January 19, 7 pm City Council Chambers Richard Keisling - U. S. Geological Survey

You may have heard the stories about chemicals in waterbodies that are harming aquatic life. We'll have information from the latest studies monitoring emerging contaminants, including compounds with endocrine disrupting potential and what this means for you.

Buckthorn: Identification, Impacts, Control February 17, 7 pm City Council Chambers Laura Van Riper, Terrestrial Invasive Species Coordinator, MNDNR

Buckthorn is a non-native plant that has been classified as a noxious weed in Minnesota and can be found in many parts of Shoreview. It can quickly out compete beneficial native plants. Areas infested with buckthorn usually lack other vegetation, which can result in soil erosion and affect wildlife. Learn how it can affect the environment and what you can do to control the spread of buckthorn.

Emerald Ash Borer in Minnesota

March 16, 7 pm City Council Chambers

Mark Abrahamson, Entomologist, MN State Dept. of Agriculture

A little green bug is threatening to wipe out many trees in Shoreview and Minnesota. We'll have the latest information on where emerald ash borer has been found in the state, the impacts it is having, what is being done about it in Shoreview and the rest of the state, and what you can do about trees on your property.

Curbside Collection of Organics - Pilot Program

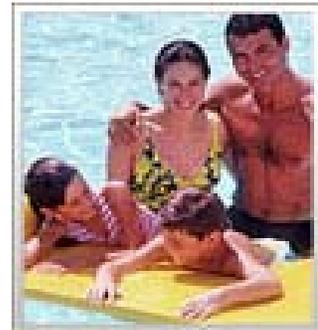
April 20, 7 pm City Council Chambers

Eureka Recycling

It's the newest frontier in recycling: organics composting. Eureka Recycling is wrapping up a study on collecting food waste including meat scraps, dairy products and non-recyclable papers from St. Paul residents. This organic material is then turned into nutrient rich compost. Find out what Eureka Recycling learned about what works and doesn't work for curbside collection of organic material, and if such a program could be showing up in Shoreview.

Dive 'N' Movie to be held on Friday, January 14

Join your friends and family at the Tropics Indoor Waterpark inside the Shoreview Community Center for Dive 'n' Movie nights! Guests can float with the aid of water noodles (not provided), relax on the giant sea creature floatables, or lounge on the pool-side chairs and enjoy a popular family friendly movie. No need to register. The purchase of a daily pass on the day of the movie is your ticket. Free for Community Center Members. Please note that the hot tub will be closed during and after the movie. Movie titles will be posted at the Community Center or call 651.490.4750 for more information.



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