

## Spring Cleanup Day - Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>

Mark your calendar for this annual event. More detailed information is being sent to all residential homes with your permit parking sticker. If you rent a home, contact City Hall to obtain a flyer.

- Curbside Yard, Shrub, Compost & Tree Waste Pickup service will be held beginning at **7:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**.
- Many disposable items can be dropped off at City Hall on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from **8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Fees will be charged depending on the item.
- Major curbside Electronics & Appliance Pickup service will be held on Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. **Call JR's at 651-454-9215 NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, MAY 18<sup>th</sup>** for cost and pickup information.



### Inside this Issue:

- P. 2 Board of Appeals
- P. 3 Preventing Vehicle Theft
- P. 4. Illicit Discharge

**City of Deephaven**  
20225 Cottagewood Rd.  
Deephaven, MN. 55331  
952.474.4755  
Web: [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org)  
Email: [info@cityofdeephaven.org](mailto:info@cityofdeephaven.org)

### Road Restrictions

- Weight restrictions for local roads are in effect from **March 1<sup>st</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>**.
- The City strongly enforces weight restrictions to prevent damage to streets.
- Residents are responsible for informing their service providers of the weight restrictions in their area. This is especially important when contracting with moving vans, delivery trucks or construction vehicles.
- Most damage to roads occurs during the spring months, as the frost leaves the ground. The **only vehicles excluded** from this requirement are school buses, garbage trucks and emergency vehicles.
- All roads leading to neighborhoods are posted with the allowable axle weight rating.

For questions regarding these restrictions, contact City Hall at 952-474-4755.

### Help is Around the Corner!

**Senior Community Services** is a nonprofit that helps older adults and caregivers navigate aging to maintain independence and quality of life. They work with trusted professionals and volunteers in your community who are ready to stop and listen to your unique needs, helping you take care of the place you call home. Through the Household & Outside Maintenance for Elderly (HOME) program, they provide free Home Health and Safety Assessments. For more information, please call 952-541-1019 or visit their website [www.seniorcommunity.org](http://www.seniorcommunity.org).

### Organics Drop-Off Program

An Organics Drop-Off Container is available at Haralson Park (where the platform tennis court are located just across the LRT Trail from Deephaven City Hall), that will allow Deephaven residents to drop-off their organics. The container will be locked to prevent illegal dumping and a keycode will be provided to each resident to open the container.

If you think you would be interested in participating in this program, please send an email to [danay@cityofdeephaven.org](mailto:danay@cityofdeephaven.org) with your name, address, phone number, and email address and you will be provided with the key code and additional information on the Organics Drop-Off Program.



**City Hall Hours:**  
**"Regular" Hours**  
Monday to Friday 8am to 4:30pm  
Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

**May 30 to September 4th**  
Mon to Thurs 8am to 4:30pm  
Fridays 8am to 12noon  
Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.



## **Board of Appeals & Equalization Meeting - Monday, April 17, at 6:00 p.m.**

The annual Board of Appeals and Equalization of the City of Deephaven will meet at **6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 17, 2022 at Deephaven City Hall, 20225 Cottagewood Road, Deephaven, MN 55331**. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether taxable property in Deephaven has been properly valued and classified by the assessor, and to determine whether corrections need to be made.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact Deephaven City Assessor Dan Distel at 612-237-8094 to discuss your concerns. If you are still not satisfied with the valuation or classification after discussing it with the assessor, please feel free to appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review the valuation, classification, or both if necessary, and determine whether a correction is warranted. Generally, an appearance before your local board of appeal and equalization is required by law before an appeal can be taken to the Hennepin County Board of Appeal and Equalization.

### **Building Permits**

**It's Spring Time!** That magical time of year to start all those maintenance projects you need done on your home. Please remember that a building permit may be necessary for your repairs, remodeling, or additions. Common projects requiring a building permit include re-roofing, re-siding, decks, additions, furnaces, air conditioners, plumbing and electrical work.

Please contact City Hall if you have any questions about permit requirements. Permit applications are available at [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org).

Year	Number of Permits	Permit Value
2013	572	\$18,515,926
2014	551	\$25,926,380
2015	606	\$15,562,559
2016	548	\$20,471,415
2017	623	\$22,453,999
2018	650	\$27,492,851
2019	572	\$20,239,055
2020	657	\$32,229,505
2021	752	\$39,665,116
2022	648	\$19,790,544

### **Licenses Required for Certain Contractors**

The City of Deephaven requires plumbers, gas fitters, tree trimmers and building contractors to be currently licensed by the City of Deephaven before they are able to work in the City.

**The City requires these contractors to be licensed for several reasons.**

**First**, the licensing process ensures that gas fitters and building contractors are currently licensed through the State of Minnesota, which provides some assurance that these contractors are qualified professionals and are more likely to provide higher quality work.

**And second**, licensing requires contractors to provide certificates of insurance demonstrating that they have proper insurance coverage in the event of an accident or some other unforeseen occurrence.

Prior to hiring a contractor to perform work in your house or property, please contact City Hall or go to the City's website at [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org) to ensure that the contractor you have selected is properly licensed to perform work in the City of Deephaven.



### **The South Lake – Excelsior Chamber of Commerce Fourth of July 2023**



The South Lake-Excelsior Chamber of Commerce is gearing up for their annual 2023 Fourth of July celebration. Their goal is to raise donations for the annual fireworks display on Excelsior Bay.

Any size donation is appreciated and can be sent to: South Lake-Excelsior Chamber of Commerce, 37 Water Street, Excelsior, MN 55331.

Please make your check payable to the South Lake-Excelsior Chamber of Commerce and make a notation "4<sup>th</sup> of July 2023" in the memo portion of your check.

Thefts from your motor vehicle are crimes of opportunity. Each year, the Police Department receives numerous calls regarding thefts from vehicles during the summer season. In an attempt to prevent crimes, you want to make your vehicle less of a target. Here are some simple tips to help you protect your vehicle and your belongings.

Secure your vehicle by locking all doors and rolling up the windows.

- Remove all stereo and related objects from your vehicle. (CD's, portable CD player, etc.) If this is not possible, try to hide them from view.
- Remove all personal property such as purses and wallets.
- Do not leave packages in your vehicle, or other items that look as if they would contain items. Criminals often figure there are valuables in the packages.
- Park in well-lit areas; and or high traffic/visibility areas. At home, leave your outside lights on or install motion lights in areas where they cannot be defeated.
- Limit access to your vehicle keys (keep them with you, do not loan them out to others, do not leave them in gym lockers, etc.).
- Do not leave your vehicle running or your keys in the vehicle unattended. Do not leave cell phones, radar detectors, or other items of value in your vehicle. If you do choose to leave them in, at least remove them from sight.
- You may consider using anti-theft devices on your vehicle, such as car alarms, the Club, etc. Be advised, however, that not all these devices are impregnable; many security devices can be defeated.

We hope the information provided to you will assist you in deterring crime. We ask you to report any suspicious behavior by dialing 911.



### **Hydrant Flushing Schedule**

The City of Deephaven will be flushing fire hydrants in the Pines and along Minnetonka Blvd and Ridgewood Road **the week of May 8<sup>th</sup>** in order to help clear the water lines.



During the flushing period, it's normal to experience some discolored water. The water is safe to drink and can be cleared up by simply running the cold water from your faucet.

If you are experiencing problems, please contact City Hall at 952-474-4775.

### **Fluorescent Bulb Drop-off**

In partnership with Republic Services, the City of Deephaven is providing residents with the option of disposing of your fluorescent bulbs at City Hall.

Two cardboard boxes for small and large fluorescent bulbs have been located in the first floor entranceway of City Hall just outside the Police Office.

### **Cottagewood Store Opening, April 29th!**

In Deephaven, we have two seasons—the winter season and the Cottagewood General store season! Stop in on April 29th for coffee, a muffin or some Sebastian Joe's ice cream and help us celebrate!

For more information call 952-470-8400 or visit [www.cottagewoodusa.com](http://www.cottagewoodusa.com)

## **CTWD Social Calendar**

*Join us at the store for a memorable 2023!*

- April 29th- Opening Day!
- May 16th- Cottagewood Ladies Happy Hour
- June 2nd- Food Truck Friday or BYOP Picnic in the Park
- June 10th- Spring Lawn Sale
- June 17th- Annual CTWD Member Party
- July 3rd- 4th of July Children's Bike Decorating
- July 4th- Pancake Breakfast, Children's Parade and Raffle
- July 28th- Food Truck Friday or BYOP Picnic in the Park
- August 25th- Cottagestock
- September 16th- Fall Lawn Sale
- October 3rd- Cottagewood Ladies Happy Hour
- October 31st- Closing day & Halloween
- December 8th- Christmas in Cottagewood



## What is Illicit Discharge?

Discharge to any part of the city's storm water sewer system (roads, catch basins, curbs, ditches, etc.) that is not composed entirely of stormwater is considered **illicit discharge**. Illicit discharge that enters the storm water system contaminates stormwater and flows directly to nearby waterbodies, degrading water quality and harming local flora and fauna.



### Common Pollutants Include:

- |                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Soil, Dirt, and Sediment  | - Concrete compounds                                 |
| Paints and Solvents       | - Asphalt compounds                                  |
| Pesticides and Herbicides | - Petroleum products (fuel, oil, grease)             |
| Fertilizers               | - Hazardous chemicals (acids, lime, glue, adhesives) |
| Detergents                | - Plaster  |

### Dogs Permitted to use the Pathway Through Deephaven Beach

The City permits individuals to walk their dogs along the pathway through Deephaven Beach. For the sake of those other residents and families using the beach, please keep your dog on the PATHWAY and please clean up after your dog. Thank you!

### Pet Owners: Time to Clean Up



Each year before the spring thaw, pet owners are encouraged to begin cleaning their yards of pet waste that has accumulated over the winter. The waste should be picked up continually during the spring thaw, as well as summer and fall months, to prevent bacteria contaminated water from running into city lakes, ponds and wetlands.

Dog waste is NOT fertilizer and it is NOT good for lawns. Most dog owners are unable to keep up on removing pet waste during the winter months, and waste accumulates, covered by each new snowfall. During the spring thaw, the bacteria and parasites from the waste that remain dormant during the winter months are unleashed into the newly formed streams running from your yard and eventually into the storm drains and ditches, ending up in our groundwater and lakes.

Although never a favorite chore, cleaning up the waste is the responsibility of each pet owner. There are services available for hire if it is a chore you would rather not do. Regardless of who does the clean up, it should be completed before the first blades of grass begin to grow.

### CURB YOUR CANINE!

**MUTT MITTS** are available in our parks and trails for your use to clean up after your dog!

Keep a few extras tied to your leash so you're prepared for the inevitable.

Please be a responsible pet owner and help keep our parks clean for others to enjoy!

Also, City Ordinances require your dog to be leashed or at your heel under your command at all times when off of your property.

### CATS ON THE PROWL!

Although cats are not required to be leashed or licensed in Deephaven, please be a good neighborhood and keep an eye on your cat and their adventurous activities.

Your neighbor may not be very appreciative of your cat rummaging around their garden or leaving their "special" droppings on their lawn.



## Parking Permits

Parking permit stickers will be sent to all residential homes in Deephaven beginning the third week of April. These are exterior window stickers and they must be placed on the driver's side of the vehicle on the lower corner of the rear window. For your convenience, we will again be mailing out two parking permits to each residential home this year. Hopefully, this will allow you to use both parking permits on your vehicles without having to come to City Hall for an additional permit. The sticker allows you to park from May 1 – October 1 in parking permit-only areas, including all City beaches.



Please be aware that you will be subject to a parking ticket if you park your vehicle in permit-only areas without a current sticker. If you currently rent your home, please contact City Hall on how to obtain a permit.

### 2023 Street Resurfacing

The City is planning to resurface Dale Avenue, Ramsey Road, Sibley Avenue, Walden Lane, Walden Road, and Walden Trail this year.

The resurfacing project will also include significant storm water improvements in this area.

A neighborhood meeting will be held prior to construction to inform residents in those areas of the project scope and timelines. Project updates will be included on the city's webpage.



### Village Hall & Haralson Park Design Plan

The Deephaven Park Committee is working with the City's engineering firm on the development of a master design plan for Village Hall Park & Haralson Park.

Master design plan concepts will be posted on [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org) for your review and a public meeting has been scheduled to be held at Deephaven City Hall from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2023 to elicit public input on the plan.

We hope you will be able to attend!



### Bill Pay Service Suggestions

If you use a bill pay service to pay your Deephaven utility bills, it would be extremely helpful and could potentially save you a late fee on your utility bills to have your bill pay service:

1. Schedule your utility payment to be sent no later than 10 days before the due date. City Hall does not accept electronic payments, which requires your service company to print and mail a physical check to our office. Please consider weekends and holidays when considering mail time.
2. Include the correct account number and property address on the payment.

Thank you!

### Summer Help Wanted

The City of Deephaven is looking for enthusiastic individuals who are interested in working in the great outdoors for our Parks Department this summer. The salary is \$18.00 per hour for 30-40 hours per week. If interested, contact Dana Young at 952-358-9939 or [danay@cityofdeephaven.org](mailto:danay@cityofdeephaven.org).





Happy Spring, Deephaven residents!

While it doesn't look or feel like it as I write this column, I hope you're all enjoying the return of the sun, longer days, and the approaching Spring. I know I'm anticipating returning to our beautiful parks and beaches.

It has been a busy winter for your City staff, Planning Commission, Parks Committee, and elected officials. I want to thank Jeff Kask and the Public Works team for all their hard work keeping our roads clear and the ice rinks open when snowstorms came one after another. It wasn't easy this year with the freezing rain mixed in, but they did an excellent job.

The administrative staff has been busy upgrading our technology infrastructure with the help of former Mayor McNeil. This will significantly improve the City's efficiency and our ability to provide digital services to our residents. Thank you for all your hard work!

We're also excited to welcome Emily Scherschligt to City Council. As some of you may know, my city council seat became vacant when I was sworn in as mayor in January. Since our city council members ran unopposed in the 2021 election, the city council had to appoint a new council member, and we unanimously appointed Emily. Emily has been an active volunteer in our community, fundraising and organizing accessible events, activities, and programs for our children. She's already dedicated to making a difference in our Deephaven community, so we know she will take her civic duty seriously and represent her resident district well. Congratulations, Emily!

The Park Committee has also been hard at work with our engineering firm, WSB, developing the master plan of the Village Hall/Haralson Park complex. The plan includes updates to the park's existing facilities and some additional recreational activities. The master plan is available for review on our website. Your feedback is a vital part of our planning process. Please take a look and let us know your thoughts.

The Park Committee and City Council have also been working for the past three years to make improvements to Deephaven's main beach. The most significant improvements will be to the public restrooms. Under Councilmember Studer's guidance, the project is currently out for bid, and we will provide more details once we receive estimates and more information is available.

One of our major initiatives, which I'm personally pleased to see, is the citywide upgrades to our street and stormwater system. This spring, improvements will be made in the Walden neighborhood. The City's website details the improvements and how residents may be impacted.

I want to thank everyone on the City staff for making my first few months as mayor go so smoothly. As you may have already guessed, I'm looking forward to the spring and seeing the snowbirds return. As always, please reach out with any suggestions.

All the Best,  
Kent Carlson



**City Office will be closed : April 7th and May 29th**

**City Hall "Regular" Hours:**

Monday to Friday 8 to 4:30 /  
Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.

**Your City Staff:**

Dana Young, City Administrator  
Tracy Gustafson, Deputy Clerk  
Deborah Hicks, Utility Billing, Marina Operations  
Patrick Smith, Planning & Zoning Coordinator  
Teresa Pendleton, Building Permits  
Cory Johnson, Police Chief  
Elizabeth McColl, Police Admin Assistant  
Jeff Kask, Public Works Foreman

**Summer Hours, May 30 to September 4th**

Monday to Thursday 8 to 4:30  
Fridays 8—Noon / Closed Saturday, Sunday  
and Holidays.



**Your City Council:**

**Mayor:** Kent Carlson

**Council members:**

Steve Erickson, Tony Jewett,  
John Studer, Emily Scherschligt

**Phone Numbers:**

**Administration & Public Works:**

952-474-4755

**Police Non-Emergency:** 952-474-7555

**24-Hour Police Dispatch:** 952-258-5321

**City of Deephaven**

**Website:** [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org)

**Email:** [info@cityofdeephaven.org](mailto:info@cityofdeephaven.org)

The Deephaven City Council normally meets twice a month on the first and third Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The Planning Commission meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month. The Park Committee meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month.

Residents are welcome to attend any or all of these meetings. Council meetings are also televised on Cable Channel 8. Channel 8 televised dates and times for City of Deephaven meetings, as well as meeting minutes, are all available on our City website [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org)