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**City of Deephaven**  
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 Deephaven, MN. 55331  
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[www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org)



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

**"Summer" Hours**  
**May 26th to September 4th**  
 Mon to Thurs 8am to 5pm  
 Fridays 8am to 12noon  
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 Holidays.



### Spring Cleanup Day— Saturday, May 9th

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

- **Curbside Yard, Shrub, Compost & Tree Waste Pickup Service will be held at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 9th.**
- **Many disposable items can be dropped off at City Hall on Saturday, May 9th 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 11th.**  
**Call JR's at 651-454-9215 NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, MAY 7th for cost and pickup information.**



### Road Restrictions

**Weight restrictions for local roads are in effect from March 1st through May 1st.**

- 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 952-746-4046 or visit their website [www.seniorcommunity.org](http://www.seniorcommunity.org)



The annual Board of Appeals and Equalization of the City of Deephaven will meet at **6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 20, 2020** at Deephaven City Hall, 20225 Cottagewood Rd., 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
2010	541	\$13,268.023
2011	494	\$ 7,579,378
2012	506	\$14,447,728
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

### **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.



With the kickoff of the Boating Season on April 1st, we would like to remind permit holders that there are two primary requirements when leasing a boat mooring space from the City:

- All watercraft must be at their assigned spaces by midnight on May 31, 2020.
- Your mooring space must be used a minimum of 90 days during the season, which is defined as:

Docks, Buoys and Shorespace: April 1 to November 1

Slides and Canoe Racks: April 1 to November 15

We wish you a safe and enjoyable boating season!



In Deephaven, we have two seasons - the winter season and the Cottagewood General Store season. After the long, frigid-cold and snowy winter, anticipation is building

for **May 2nd at 8AM** because that's when the Cottagewood General Store will once again open its doors to customers.

Stop in on May 2nd for coffee, a muffin or ice cream and help us celebrate!

For more information about the Cottagewood General Store and the Cottagewood Community Foundation, please visit [www.cottagewoodusa.com](http://www.cottagewoodusa.com).



**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 11th 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 952-474-4755.

**Flourescent Bulb Drop Off**

In partnership with Waste Management, 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 entryway of City Hall just outside the Police Office.



**City Receives Financial Reporting Award**

The City of Deephaven has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2018.

This is the 24th consecutive year that the City of Deephaven has received this award. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

There are 32,070 municipalities nationwide with populations under 10,000 and less than 1% qualify to receive this award. Congratulations to the City of Deephaven's Finance Department and the entire Office Staff!

The State Primary will be held on Tuesday, August 11th and the General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3rd at the following locations for Deephaven residents:



**Polling Locations**

**Precinct 1:** Deephaven City Hall—20225 Cottagewood Road

**Precinct 2:** St. Therese Community Room—18323 Minnetonka Blvd.

- The Primary Election is a partisan election; you cannot cross parties while voting on the Primary Ballot.
- Deephaven will hold a municipal election as part of the General Election on November 3rd.

**Street Repairs for 2020**

The City is planning to resurface both Northome Blvd and Hillcrest Road this year. Neighborhood meetings will be held prior to construction to inform residents in those areas of the scope and timelines. Project updates will be included on the City Website at [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org).

On Hillcrest Road, CenterPoint Energy will need to make some major gas line repairs that will take approximately 6 weeks before street reconstruction can begin. Northome Blvd will also need some gas line repairs but to a much lesser extent.

**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 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 in 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 neighbor 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.

**Dogs Permitted to Use the Pathway through Deephaven Beach**

The City permits individuals to walk their dog 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!



## 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 back corner of the rear side 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 to 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.

## Spring Lawn Care Tips!

Spring is a time of rejuvenation. Say goodbye to the last of that gray, gritty snow. It's time for some lawn TLC.

### Tips for a healthy spring lawn

- **Remove**—Remove damage and dead vegetation.
- **Reseed**—Reseed bare spots caused by salt with a salt-tolerant grass mix. Then keep the ground moist for 3-4 weeks.
- **Keep grass long**— 2 1/2 to 3 inches long for the healthiest growth.
- **Wait to fertilize**—Fall is the best time to fertilize. If you're worried about lawn nutrition, have a free soil test done. For a free test kit, call the County Extension Service at 651-374-8400. If you do fertilize, wait until the ground thaws so it doesn't wash off.

### Tips for keeping pollutants out\*

- **Follow directions carefully**—When applying and disposing of lawn-care products, please follow all instructions.
- **Sweep-up**—Sweep up lawn products that fall on driveways or chemical waste.
- **Keep drains clear**—Keep storm drains clear of debris.
- **Avoid street waste**—Avoid raking leaves or shooting grass clippings into the street. Compost yard waste or bag it collection.
- **“Double bag” pet waste**—And dispose of all pet waste in the trash.
- **Clean**—Clean material from gutters
- **Direct**—Direct downspouts onto grass.

\* Springtime pollutants include phosphorous and other chemicals. Phosphorous is found in organic materials—soil, grass, leaves, fertilizer, and pet waste. In waters, they feed algae. Chemicals are often part of spring fix-up efforts—paints, oils and cleaners. Both can get into storm sewers, washed off by rainwater and snow runoff. It is not treated! It goes directly into area lakes and streams.

## The South Lake Fourth of July, 2020

The South Lake-Excelsior Chamber of Commerce is gearing up for their annual 2020 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 “4th of July 2020” in the memo portion of the check.

## 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; therefore your service company still prints and mails a physical check to our office. Please take into account weekends and holidays when considering mail time.
- 2) Include the correct account number and property address on the payment.

Thank you!



Hopefully, many of you have already noticed the new look & feel of the City's website at [www.cityofdeephaven.org](http://www.cityofdeephaven.org). Councilmember Steve Erickson says we will soon have an additional imbedded program for those of you who want to 'opt in' for timely notifications from the City... including Planning Commission notices and Park Committee projects, to name just a couple of uses. Police Chief Johnson is looking forward to this new feature also, so he can provide alerts and safety updates from his office. At this point, we are not looking at this feature being interactive, but that is something we will be discussing for the future. Special 'thanks' to Steve and his crew for the time and effort they have spent on the project!

Speaking of projects, the bids for this summer's Street Improvement projects have been approved by the Council, and we are looking to work beginning as soon as possible after road load limits are removed. It's Hillcrest and Northome Blvd this year, so please make plans accordingly. We will have to continue our 'dance' with the gas company as they make their improvements under/near the same roads, but we seem to be getting much better at this of late.

Another project being heavily considered for this year is what I am calling 'Bathrooms by the Beach'. We have received overwhelmingly positive reviews from so many of you about the addition of bathrooms in the new facility at Thorpe Park, and we have received many requests for the same type of project at the Main Beach, so the Council and Park Committee will be giving the possibility of this project a very high priority in the near months. If you have thoughts on this subject, please let us know.

Please join me in welcoming Patrick Smith, our new Planning and Zoning Coordinator, to the City Staff! Also, please help us as our entire staff continues to work for you, whenever possible, conducting your business with them by phone or email versus in person at the counter as we all work through the current medical challenges we are all facing.

Thanks,

Paul

**City Office will be closed : May 25th**

**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  
John Menzel, Public Works Foreman  
Sara Skalle, Woodland City Clerk

**Summer Hours, May 26 to September 4th:**

Monday to Thursday 8 to 5:00  
Fridays 8—Noon / Closed Saturday, Sunday  
and Holidays.

**Your City Council:**

**Mayor:** Paul Skrede

**Council members:**

Steve Erickson, Tony Jewett,  
Kent Carlson, Melissa McNeill

**Phone Numbers:**

**Administration & Public Works:**

952-474-4755

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

**24-Hour Police Dispatch:** 763-525-6210

**City of Deephaven Website:**

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