



ESSENTIAL DATES

Recycling Pickup Dates

September 8, 22
October 6, 20
November 3, 17
December 1, 15, 29

September 6

City Hall resumes reg. hours
Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

September 12, 7 p.m.

Council Meeting

Load Limit Fees
Prelim. Budget Approval

September 23

Absentee Voting begins

October 10, 7 p.m.

Council Meeting

Parking Zone Changes
Recycling Invoices

November 6

Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 8

General Election Day

Polls open 7 a.m.-8 p.m.
18322 Mtka. Blvd., Suite A

November 14, 7 p.m.

Council Meeting

Fireworks Ordinance

December 12, 7 p.m.

Council Meeting

Truth in Taxation Hearing
Final Budget Approval

"Autumn is a second spring, when every leaf is a flower." Albert Camus

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Emergency Protocol

Recent events indicate that Woodland needs a refresher on what to do during emergencies:

1. **Stay calm.**
2. **Obey first-responder instructions.**
3. **Do not drive on fire hoses.**

Sadly, there were several incidents of flagrant failure to cooperate with police and fire-fighters in each of three major fires in the past three years.

We know that road closures are an inconvenience and can be stressful. Understand that in an emergency, first responders are protecting you. Do what they ask without argument. You and others will be safe if you follow their instructions.

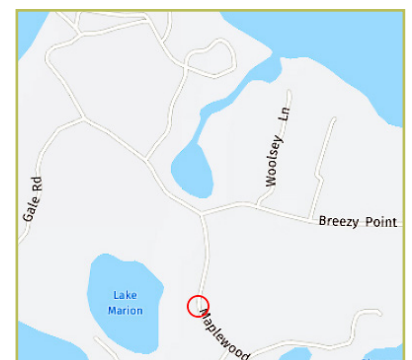
If a road is closed unexpectedly for an emergency, go to a local restaurant, coffee shop, or a friend's home and patiently wait. The benefits of living on a peninsula far outweigh the inconvenience of rare emergencies.

Maplewood Road Closure

Maplewood Road will be closed for one week in October between the driveways of 3005 and 3015. There will be no throughfare, so please make plans to use Breezy Point Road if you live north of this closure.

Dates are not yet set, but will be posted on the website as soon as they're known. To stay informed, sign up for City notifications at woodlandmn.org > About Us > Subscribe to Updates.

This closure is to allow uninterrupted construction of a retaining wall on the east side of Maplewood Road that will increase sight lines and create a pedestrian walkway to improve safety.



Rules of the Road

When there are no sidewalks or bike lanes, as in Woodland:

Walk/run *against* traffic, on the left side of the road.

Bike *with* traffic, on the right side of the road.

No parking on City streets. Lawn services, contractors must park in your driveway, or you must obtain a permit for them to park in one of the designated parking zones.

CITY DIRECTORY

City Hall (*Deephaven & Woodland*)
20225 Cottagewood Road
Deephaven, MN 55331

City Hall Hours

Regular hours have resumed.
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Fridays

www.woodlandmn.org

City Clerk

Sara Skalle
952-358-9936
sara@woodlandmn.org
Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., M-Th

Mayor

Vince Suerth (2024)

Council Members

Dave Daniels (2022)
John Massie (2022)
Tom Newberry (2024)
Juan Vazquez (2024)

City Council Meetings

2nd Mondays, 7 p.m.

Residents always welcome!
Agendas & minutes on website

Deephaven Police Department

952-258-5321 Non-emergency
763-525-6210 After Hours

Wayzata Fire Department

952-404-5337 Non-emergency

Republic Recycling Services

woodlandCS@republicservices.com

Planning Director

Pat Smith
952-358-9938

Building Permits

Teresa Pendleton
952-358-9935

Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD)

Denny Newell, Board Member

Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission (LMCC)

Mike Jilek, Representative

Recent Council Decisions

Increase of Police False Alarm Fees

The proportion of police calls that are false alarms has been increasing steadily. Often the alarms are triggered by accident or carelessness by property owners and their contractors. In order to reduce the number of false alarms, both Woodland and Deephaven have increased false alarm fees. The City appreciates that accidents happen, yet we need our officers available and focused on more important community work. If a property has more than two false alarms in a calendar year, they will incur the following fees: (as of July 2022)

| Fee | Number of false alarms from one address in a calendar year |
|-------|--|
| \$100 | Third |
| \$200 | Fourth |
| \$500 | Fifth, and each additional false alarm |

Upcoming Council Topics

Shift Recycling invoices from City to Residents in 2023

When the City of Woodland began offering recycling services at the City's expense in the 1970s, it was likely spurred by altruism and a desire to remove participation barriers. The price for recycling service, however, has risen sharply from a small factor of the City's budget to nearly 20 percent. Now that recycling is a mainstream practice and an established habit within most households, it's time for Woodland to return to its fiscally conservative nature.

After January 1, 2023, Republic Services will invoice residents for recycling services, at the request of the City Council. The City will continue to hold the contract with Republic Services and negotiate the lowest cost for its residents.

There will be a public hearing at the Council Meeting on October 10, at 7 p.m., to hear comments regarding this change.

Parking Zone Changes

The City Council will be discussing the following changes to the City Parking Zones at the October Council Meeting.

- Move **Zone D** to the corner of Maplewood Circle W. and Cedar Ridge Road
- Move **Zone F** further north on Maplewood Circle E.
- Move **Zone K** further north on Maplewood Road
- Eliminate **Zone L** on Shavers Lane

If you would like to comment on the changes, please participate in the Public Hearing during the Council meeting on October 10.

Fog Lines on Maplewood and Breezy Point Road

In an effort to curb speeding, the Council will consider the addition of fog lines on Breezy Point and Maplewood Roads, from City border to the stop signs at their intersection. This would coincide with the completion of the retaining wall on Maplewood Road, where a fog line will mark the pedestrian walkway.

Fireworks Ordinance to enable City permits

State statutes now require permits for fireworks from the Sheriff's Office (Water Patrol) and the municipality. Since Woodland does not have a fireworks ordinance, we must add one to enable the City to issue permits for fireworks.

Sign up for City Notifications

Sign up for City notifications to stay on top of these issues and more. Go to woodlandmn.org > About Us > Subscribe to Updates to receive text and/or email alerts as Council agendas, meeting packets, and minutes are posted online.



General Election is Tuesday, November 8

Polling Place (same as Primary):

18322 Minnetonka Blvd., Suite A, Deephaven

Polling Place is open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The following Woodland offices will be on the ballot in November:

Two Council Members (4-year terms, each)

Candidates include: David Daniels and Hank Zucker

We strongly recommend that residents take advantage of the ease and convenience of absentee voting, which can be done two ways:

✓ By Mail

Go to [MNVotes.org](https://mnvotes.org) to apply for a ballot. It will be mailed to you with a postage-paid return envelope and instructions. You may vote in the privacy and comfort of your own home.

✓ In Person

Visit City Hall during business hours on or after September 23. Complete an application for an absentee ballot. It will be processed while you wait, usually less than 10 minutes. You'll receive and complete your ballot there. Before November 1, you'll seal your ballot in the envelopes provided and drop it in the ballot box. After November 1, you will feed your ballot into the ballot counting machine.

Either way, you may track your absentee ballot at [MNVotes.org](https://mnvotes.org), from the time it leaves your hands until it is counted.

Election Judges Needed!

Election Judges are needed for the November 8 General Election. It requires two hours of training in October and a 7-hour shift on Election Day (6:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. or 1:30-8:30 p.m.).

Serving as an Election Judge is a great service to our community and essential to our democracy. Election Judges staff local polling places, administer election procedures, and ensure that the rights of voters are protected on Election Day.

All work and training time is (\$10.50/hour, unless waived) and all meals are provided. Contact Clerk Skalle at 952-359-9936 or sara@woodlandmn.org.

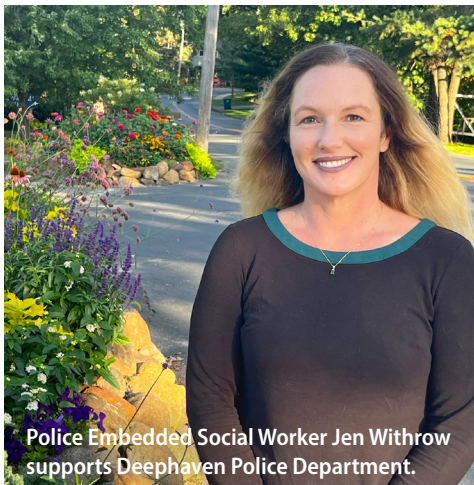
Political Signs

Please follow these guidelines in posting any political signs. Police will remove any signs placed in the City right-of-way.

- Political signs are allowed June 24 – November 18, 2022.
- Signs must be off of the public right-of-way, on your own property. If placed on another private property, permission must first be obtained.
- On Election Day, political signs must be kept at least 100 feet from a polling place.
- Theft of political signs could mean 90 days in jail and/or a fine up to \$1,000.

Embedded Police Social Workers

The embedded social worker program that began in 2019 is delivering impressive results throughout Hennepin County, and was extended to our area this year. The purpose is to help respond to emergency calls involving an emotionally disturbed person, and follow-up afterward providing stabilization and connection with resources and supports in the community. The program is filling the gap of unmet social service needs and redirects people in need from the criminal justice system or hospitalization to the appropriate services.



Police Embedded Social Worker Jen Withrow supports Deephaven Police Department.

The Deephaven Police Department shares a social worker with six nearby communities. Chief Johnson appreciates the ease and continuity of having one dedicated contact when needed.

Learn more at the Hennepin County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee website (<https://www.hennepin.us/cjcc/strategy>).

The VITALS App

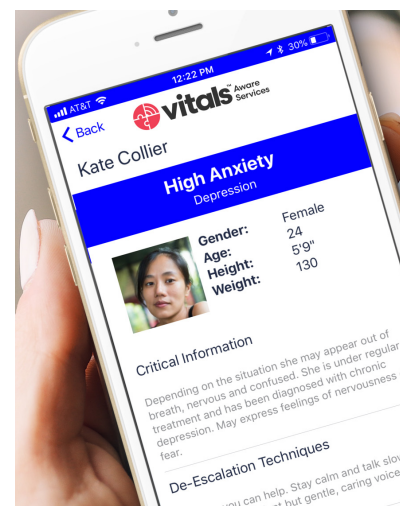
Protecting people with visible and invisible conditions

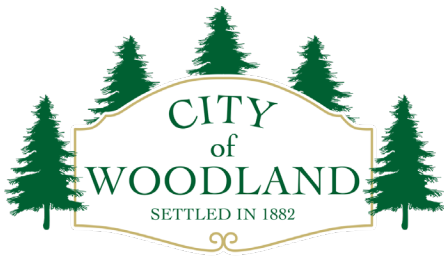
The Vitals App is available to residents of Woodland and supported by our police department. It enables officers to identify individuals who may need extra care in emergency situations and to understand how to de-escalate a situation of agitation stemming from an invisible condition like hearing impairment, anxiety, autism or Alzheimer's.

First responders can read profile information from a Vitals pendant up to 80 feet away. The Vitals app and pendant are free to individuals, expenses are paid by our police department.

Chief Johnson believes that the information provided by the Vitals App helps officers better protect vulnerable residents.

Learn more at www.thevitalsapp.com.





Woodland City Hall
20225 Cottagewood Road
Deephaven, MN 55331

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With days getting shorter,
please remember that all
exterior decorative, seasonal,
and landscape lighting
must be off at 11 p.m.



Who do You Call?

For non-emergency matters, call the Police dispatch number at 952-258-5321. Deephaven Police have officers patrolling our area 24/7 who can respond to these things:

- Loose or lost dog
- Fallen tree or branches
- Parked cars or trucks on street
- Permits for tree cutting or clearing
- Burning brush or debris
- Noise or light problems
- Suspicious activity

Little things are sometimes big things. Best to let the police know.

Stay Informed

Sign up for City notifications and you'll always know about:

- Emergency situations
- Upcoming road closures
- Council agendas, packets, and minutes
- New newsletters

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It will help you stay on top of city issues and participate in Public Hearings

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Locked Mailboxes

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Unsecure Mailboxes

Mail theft leads to identity theft
and is the #1 crime in Woodland.
Are you protected?

**Get a locking mailbox,
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