



Quarterly

1ST QUARTER 2015

GREENWOOD DIRECTORY

CITY HALL

Location: 20225 Cottagewood Road
 Deephaven, MN 55331
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CITY COUNCIL

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 612.805.0424, billandtishcook@msn.com
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 612.387.4443, lrobroy@msn.com

LMCC

The Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission provides community programming (including council meetings) on channels 8, 12, 20 & 21. Meetings also may be viewed at www.lmcc-tv.org where you can use "agenda parsing" to skip to the topic you want to view.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Request a Police Officer: 911
 Fire or Medical Emergency: 911
 Animal Services: 763.525.6210
 South Lake Minnetonka Police Department:
 952.474.3261, M-F, 8:30am to 4:30pm,
www.southlakepd.com
 Excelsior Fire District: 952.401.8801,
 M-F, 9:30am to 2pm, www.excelsiorfire.org
 Citywide Emergency: Alerts will be sent via the city
 email system (sign up at www.greenwoodmn.com)
 and will be posted at www.greenwoodmn.com.
 Watch TV Emergency Broadcast System.
 Listen to WCCO Radio 830. Sign up for regional
 alerts at www.nixle.com.
 Call Before You Dig:
 Gopher State One Call, 651.454.0002

SOUTHSHORE CENTER

A place for all ages. Available for rent.
 Location: 5735 Country Club Rd, Shorewood
 Phone: 952.474.7635
 Email: director@southshore-center.org
 Website: www.southshore-center.org

Final -0.17% Tax Levy Decrease Approved

The 2015 final tax levy of \$642,782 (a slight -0.17% decrease from 2014) was approved at the December Greenwood city council meeting. The below spreadsheet shows a summary of the budget. This summary is published in accordance with Minnesota state statute 471.6965. The complete budget may be viewed at www.greenwoodmn.com or at City Hall.

REVENUES	2014 Budget	2015 Budget	% Change
Taxes	643,874	642,782	-0.17%
Licenses & Permits (including Building Permits)	47,000	55,500	18.09%
Public Charges for Services	29,075	28,575	-1.72%
Court Fines	6,000	5,600	-6.67%
Investment Income	2,200	4,000	81.82%
Transfer from Marina Fund	12,500	12,500	0.00%
Administrative Reimbursement from Marina Fund	3,346	3,470	3.71%
Administrative Reimbursement from Sewer Fund	10,866	10,090	-7.14%
Administrative Reimbursement from Stormwater Fund	1,625	2,302	41.67%
	756,486	764,819	1.10%
EXPENDITURES	2014 Budget	2015 Budget	% Change
General Government	111,222	108,383	-2.55%
Public Safety (Police & Fire)	359,732	361,308	.44%
Zoning	26,457	33,690	27.34%
Roads & Public Works	191,250	181,100	-5.31%
LMCD, Recycling, Insurance, etc.	34,803	37,700	8.32%
Contingency	13,022	12,638	-2.95%
Transfer to Bridge Fund	\$20,000	\$30,000	50.00%
	756,486	764,819	1.10%

Chief Litsey Retires!

Chief Bryan Litsey of the South Lake Minnetonka Police Department (SLMPD) retired his badge on November, 30, 2014 after nearly 37 years as a police officer. Chief Litsey has been with the SLMPD for 33-1/2 years – a good part of the 41 years the organization has been in existence as a cooperative policing venture between the cities of Excelsior, Greenwood, Shorewood, and Tonka Bay. Chief Litsey has accepted a position at Metropolitan State University where he will serve as the Professional Peace Officer



Education Coordinator along with being a student adviser in the School of Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice. He is excited about this new opportunity, which will allow him to stay connected to the profession and have a positive impact on the next generation of police officers. Deputy Chief Dave Pierson is serving as the short-term Interim Chief. The SLMPD Coordinating Committee is planning to retain a public safety professional to act as the Interim Chief for five to six months to manage day-to-day operations and guide the Coordinating Committee through a mission/visioning process to assess appropriate structure and resource allocation.

St. Alban's Bay Lake Improvement District

A Lake Improvement District (LID) is a taxing authority charged with the specific duty to manage aquatic invasive species. St. Alban's Bay Captain/City Councilman Rob Roy has been leading the effort to establish a LID for the bay. The proposed LID is made up of property owners that have access rights to St. Alban's Bay. The cities of Greenwood and Excelsior have the authority to approve the LID and have followed a parallel track that includes notifications to affected property owners, public hearings, and the drafting of a joint cooperative agreement establishing the governance of the LID. All city costs related to the LID proposal have been paid by private donations. The Greenwood and Excelsior city councils are expected to take action regarding the proposed St. Alban's Bay LID in early 2015. If you have questions, contact Rob Roy 612.387.4443 irobroy@msn.com.

Sign Up for City Emails

Go to www.greenwoodmn.com and click on "Email List" to subscribe to the city email system. Once activated, you will receive links to monthly council agendas and minutes, as well as other items of community interest.

Did You Know?

Dogs Must Be Licensed

Dogs are required to be licensed in the city. Current dog tags expire on Dec 31. New 2015-16 dog tags cost \$25 and may be purchased at City Hall or download the application at www.greenwoodmn.com to complete the process by mail. Proof of rabies vaccination is required.

KEY DATES

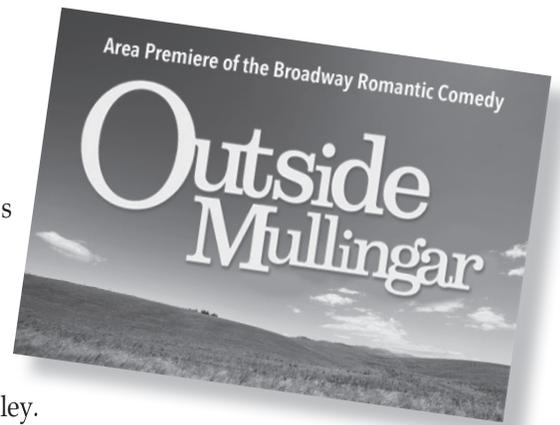
Jan 7	City Council Meeting, 7pm
Jan 21	Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm
Feb 4	City Council Meeting, 7pm
Feb 18	Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm
Mar 4	City Council Meeting, 7pm
Mar 18	Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm

All meetings are held in the Deephaven Council Chambers, 20225 Cottagewood Road

Greenwood Night at the Old Log Theatre

Once again the Old Log Theatre will be hosting "Greenwood Night." This year's event will be at 7:30pm on Friday, January 16, 2015 for the opening night of *Outside Mullingar* – the area premiere of the Broadway romantic comedy by the Pulitzer-, Oscar-, and Tony-winning writer, John Patrick Shanley.

To get the deal you must order your tickets at www.oldlog.com and add the coupon code "Greenwood" for an \$11 per ticket discount (up to 4 tickets for each online transaction). This is a great opportunity to share the tradition of this beloved Greenwood landmark!



Thank You Election Judges!

Without the efforts of the following election judges, the election would not be possible. Thank you!

- Pam Canning
- Mary Beth Darusmont
- Jennifer Gallagher
- Jan Gray
- Bonnie Lane
- Pat McGowan
- MaryJo Newman
- Cindy Paepér
- Cynthia Reeder
- Diane Shelgren
- Judy Spiegel
- Bud Wudlick

Avoid Sewer Backups

The city's insurance through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust provides a limited amount of coverage for damage caused by backups of sewage and watermain breaks. Due to high water levels in Lake Minnetonka and heavy rains, many homeowners in the Lake Minnetonka area were affected by damage from sewage backups last summer. As a result the LMCIT has changed their coverage to exclude damage caused by high rainfall amounts and other factors. A number of strategies are available to homeowners to prevent or reduce damage caused by backups. If you have experienced a sewage backup within the last year or are interested in learning about strategies to prevent or reduce damage, please contact Councilman Bill Cook at billandtishcook@msn.com. A public information meeting or communication will be organized if there is sufficient interest in the subject.

Mayor's Corner

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Happy New Year! As we begin 2015, I share the below city council highlights from the last quarter of 2014 ...

- *The city council approved the final 2015 city budget that includes a slight -.17% reduction in the tax levy. We have reduced the city's tax levy every year since I have been mayor (6 years).*
- *The city council is considering establishing a St. Alban's Bay Lake Improvement District to even out year-to-year contributions for baywide treatment of aquatic invasive species. See the article on this page for an update.*
- *Also, I am pleased to report that Councilman Tom Fletcher, Councilman Bob Quam, and I prevailed in our hard-fought battles for city council – we ran unopposed :-)*
We look forward to serving you in the years to come.

– Mayor Deb Kind

PS: I hope you, your friends, family, and neighbors will join me for Greenwood Night at the Old Log Theatre on Friday, January 16 (see article above for details)!



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