



Quarterly

2ND QUARTER 2018

GREENWOOD DIRECTORY

CITY HALL

Location: 20225 Cottagewood Road
Deephaven, MN 55331

Regular Hours: 8am to 4:30pm, Monday-Friday

Summer Hours (Memorial Day to Labor Day):

8am to 5pm, Monday-Thursday

8am to 12noon, Fridays

Main Phone: 952.474.6633

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Deborah Hicks, 952.358.9934, deborahhicks@

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CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Deb Kind

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Councilman Tom Fletcher

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LMCC

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

PUBLIC SAFETY

Request a Police Officer: 911

Non-Emergency Number 952.258.5321

Fire or Medical Emergency: 911

Animal Services: 952.258.5321

South Lake Minnetonka Police Department:

952.474.3261, M-F, 8:30am to 4:30pm,
southlakepd.com

Excelsior Fire District: 952.401.8801,

M-F, 9:30am to 2pm, excelsiorfire.org

Citywide Emergency: Alerts will be sent via the city email system (sign up at greenwoodmn.com)

and will be posted at greenwoodmn.com.

Watch TV Emergency Broadcast System.

Listen to WCCO Radio 830. Sign up for regional alerts at nixle.com.

Call Before You Dig:

Gopher State One Call, 651.454.0002

Property Value Appeal Date: April 12

This spring you will receive a notice of your property's 2018 estimated market value (EMV) from Hennepin County for taxes payable in 2019. EMVs and property taxes are related, but not directly. If your EMV increases, it does **NOT** mean that your property taxes will increase by the same percentage. Instead, EMVs are used determine how county, school district, and city budgeted tax levies are divided among taxpayers. The total budgeted tax levies will be collected whether EMVs increase or decrease, but your share of the budget pies may shift if your EMV goes up or down more in comparison to other properties in the county, school district, or city. This is why it is important to ensure your property is fairly assessed.

Visit greenwoodmn.com and click on the "Assessments & Taxes" tab to view the **ASSESSMENT ROLL** that includes every property in the city and other assessment-related / property tax-related documents. *Note: The 2018 assessment roll and other assessment documents will be posted at greenwoodmn.com as soon as they become available.*

Your EMV should be in alignment with similar properties in the area and is supposed to be between 90% and 105% of what your property would sell for. If you believe your EMV is incorrect, you are encouraged to **APPEAL YOUR EMV**. Here is the process:

- First contact the assessor at 952.249.4641. Concerns often are resolved at this level.
- If your concerns are not resolved after talking with the assessor, you may appeal to the Local Board of Appeal & Equalization (city council). Your case may be presented in writing or in person. The Local Board meeting will be held at 6pm on **APRIL 12** at the Council Chambers, 20225 Cottagewood Rd, Deephaven, MN 55331 (send written appeals to this address). Call 952.474.6633 by **APRIL 6** to get on the agenda. *Note: By law the Local Board cannot make changes for property owners who refuse entry to the assessor.*
- If your concerns are not resolved at the Local Board, you may bring your case to the County Board. Call 612.348.7050 by **MAY 6** to get on the County Board agenda. *Note: To appear before the County Board, you must appeal to the Local Board first.*
- At any point in the process, you may appeal directly to Minnesota Tax Court. All Tax Court appeals must be filed on or before April 30 of the year the tax becomes payable. For more information, call 651.296.2806 or visit taxcourt.state.mn.us.

WANTED: Planning Commissioners

The planning commission has openings! This group makes recommendations to the council regarding variances and more. Download an application at greenwoodmn.com or stop by City Hall. For more details, contact Zoning Administrator Dale Cooney at 952.358.9938, dalec@mediacombb.net.

STAY INFORMED Sign up for the city email list at greenwoodmn.com

2018 Greenwood Permit Sticker

Two 2018 Greenwood permit stickers are included with this month's newsletter mailing. To use the Meadville boat launch, one sticker must be displayed on the lower left of your trunk window. Even if you do not use the boat launch, you are encouraged to display a sticker to show your **GREENWOOD PRIDE!** Giving or selling stickers to non-residents is prohibited. Non-resident stickers: \$100.



Watercraft Operation Reminders & Increased Water Patrol

In response to concerns raised by residents, water patrol presence will continue to be strong in St. Alban's Bay during the summer of 2018. The increased patrol has and will continue to deter unsafe and inconsiderate activity in the bay. Residents should call 911 to report both dangerous and non-emergency concerns. For example, a driver towing people close to docks or other watercraft is a dangerous activity that should be reported immediately. Loud music from an anchored boat is an example of a concern that could be reported. If possible, please include the boat description and license number when calling 911. Here are a few rule reminders:

- **WATERSKIING, TUBING, WAKE SURFING** hours are sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset. Boats and jetskis towing people are required to have an observer 12yrs or older in addition to the driver.
- **JETSKI** hours are 9:30am to 1 hour before sunset. Operation of a jetski for more than 30 minutes in one area is prohibited.
- **A MINIMUM WAKE** is required for boats and jetskis within 150ft of shore, swimmers, docks, or another boat /jetski. Exception: normal speed is allowed perpendicular from the shore from which a boat or jetski is operating.

SEWER PIPE JEOPARDY

Answer 1: Poop, Pee, TP.
Answer 2: Wipes.

Question #1: What are the only items that should be intentionally flushed down a toilet?
Question #2: What item should never be flushed down the toilet?

KEY DATES

Apr 4 City Council Meeting, 7pm
Apr 11 Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm
May 2 City Council Meeting, 7pm
May 9 Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm
Jun 6 City Council Meeting, 7pm
Jun 13 Planning Commission Meeting, 7pm

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

St. Alban's Bay Lake Improvement District Board Candidate Deadline & Email List

In 2015, the cities of Excelsior and Greenwood established the St. Alban's Bay Lake Improvement District (SABLID) to manage aquatic invasive species. The SABLID has taxing authority and is made up of property owners who have access rights to St. Alban's Bay. The SABLID is governed by a Board elected by property owners who live within the SABLID.

If you are a SABLID property owner interested in serving on the SABLID Board, the candidate deadline is **JUNE 5**. Contact SABLID Board Secretary Joan Mahr at joanmahr11@gmail.com or 612.418.1400 to get your name on the ballot.

To receive emails with SABLID meeting agendas and other items of interest, visit greenwoodmn.com to subscribe to the **SABLID EMAIL LIST** (click on "Email Sign-Up" tab, then on the "SABLID Email Sign-Up" link on the bottom left of the page). After you sign up, you will receive an email to activate your account.

Short-Term Rentals Prohibited

City code section 1140.05 subd 4 states that residential rental leases must be for at least 30 days and properties may not be leased to more than 2 tenant occupant groups in any 4-month period. For more information, please contact Zoning Administrator Dale Cooney at 952.358.9938, dalec@mediacommbb.net.

Coyote Sightings

... continue to be common in Greenwood. Visit greenwoodmn.com (click on the



Coyotes & Animal Services tab) to view educational materials, the city's **COYOTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**, and the **COYOTE ALERT** from 2016 that includes the answer to "Why don't we kill them all?"

Dog Doo-Doo Dos and Don'ts

Bags for dog doo-doo are provided at stations along the LRT trail. Please **DO** use the bags to pick up your dog's doo-doo. Please **do NOT** leave bags of doo-doo along the trail. Three Rivers Park District and city personnel **do NOT** pick up doo-doo bags. Also, dogs are required to be licensed. Get tags at City Hall or download the application at greenwoodmn.com.

Did You Know?

The city has a program to detect and prevent illicit discharges (**OIL, PAINT, FERTILIZER, PET WASTE, GRASS CLIPPINGS, ETC**) from entering the city's storm sewer system, ditches, ponds, or Lake Minnetonka. If you observe an illicit discharge, call 911. Discharges from **SUMP PUMPS** and **FOUNDATION DRAINS** into the sanitary sewer also are prohibited. If you observe an illicit sanitary sewer discharge, call City Hall at 952.474.6633.

Mayor's Corner

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Happy Spring! See below for info about the city council's usual spring housekeeping items and other city items of interest ...

- In March, the city submitted reports to the State Auditor's Office. I am pleased to report the city is in excellent financial condition.
 - We are preparing for another cycle of property valuation appeals. Based on the sales, Greenwood's valuations increased by an average of 3.8% for off-lake residential properties, 2.7% for on-lake residential properties, and 2.8% for condos. See the article on the other side of this newsletter for more information.
 - The city council continues to work on the ordinance to regulate residential properties based on lot size.
 - The city council will review the draft of the city's 2040 Comprehensive Plan in April. No major changes are expected.
- **MAYOR DEB KIND** (new email is dkind100@me.com)



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