



FOCUS ON LAKEVILLE

City of Lakeville Newsletter

MEETINGS

Monday, July 25

City Council work session, 6:30 p.m.

Meetings take place at City Hall or virtually. Check each agenda for details. The public is invited to participate in meetings in person and/or by phone. Agendas are available online at lakevillemn.gov.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sign Up for Our New WaterSmart Program

Save money on your water bill! Our new, **free** WaterSmart program can provide you with tools to better manage your water use and water bill. You can sign up for water alerts to help you detect if you have any leaks, see how your water use compares to similar homes in your area, get estimates of where you use the most water (showers/baths, washing machine, irrigation, etc.) and more. Sign up at lakevillemn.watersmart.com to access your personal portal. If you have questions, call our Utility Billing Department at 952-985-4580.

City Watering Ordinance

Odd/even and time-of-day watering restrictions are in effect now through September 30. Water only as needed on odd-numbered days if your house number ends in an odd number, or even-numbered days if your house number ends in an even number. Also, watering is not allowed between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.—it wastes water due to evaporation. You could be ticketed if you violate the ordinance, due to the very high water usage the City is experiencing. Go to lakevillemn.gov for more information.

Youth Shore Fishing Contest - FREE

Saturday, July 30, 9-11 a.m.
Casperson Park, 19720 Juno Trail
 For ages 2-13, accompanied by an adult
 Youth are invited to fish away the morning on Lake Marion in search of "the big one." Prizes will be awarded to ages 13 and under in various fish categories. Bring your own fishing equipment and bait. Register the day of the contest or online at lakevillemn.gov.

Learn About Rules for Peddlers and Solicitors in Lakeville

Lakeville residents may see an increase this time of year in door-to-door sales people. Here is some information on the door-to-door sales process and some definitions.

Residents who would prefer not to be contacted by peddlers or solicitors may display signage on their property indicating "No Peddlers or Solicitors" or "Peddlers and Solicitors Prohibited."

Peddler: Anyone who goes door-to-door attempting to sell items that are delivered immediately upon payment, such as vacuum cleaners or cleaning supplies. Peddlers must apply for a City-issued ID/license to conduct business as a peddler.

Solicitor: Anyone who goes door-to-door attempting to obtain orders for items that will be delivered later, such as magazine



subscriptions or other items that may be sold out of a catalog. Solicitors must register with the Lakeville Police Department and will receive a registration certificate.

Both peddlers and solicitors are required to display their ID card or registration certificate, or must present it if asked. Peddlers and solicitors are not allowed to go door-to-door between the hours of 8 p.m. and 9 a.m.

Certain groups or products are exempt from licensing requirements, including anyone selling or taking orders for any product grown or raised on a farm or garden; daily newspaper sales; or the sale of plants, flowers, Christmas trees or cookies by a nonprofit group such as Boy or Girl Scouts.

Peddlers and solicitors can be respectful and businesslike, or some may have more aggressive sales tactics. If you are uncomfortable with the behavior of any sales person who comes to your door, if they are unable to show you their City-issued ID or registration certificate, or if they refuse to leave your property, don't hesitate to call 911. Remember, you should call 911 for any situation where you need a police officer dispatched, even if you don't consider it to be an emergency.

Community Connect: Sign Up to Help Emergency Fire Personnel Responding to Your Residence or Business

The Lakeville Fire Department is introducing a new program to protect residents, businesses and property in the most effective way possible. Community Connect is a free, secure and easy-to-use platform that allows you to share critical information about your property that will aid emergency fire response personnel when responding to your emergency. By providing information that you feel is important for fire responders to know about at the time of an emergency, they can ensure you and everything you care about is protected to the best of their ability.

There are three easy steps you can take to sign up for this program:

1. Create an account. Sign up for free using your email address, phone number and address.

2. Enter your information. Enter valuable information, such as your contact information, if you have pets or any people in the household with functional needs, if you have a smoke detection system that can alert the Fire Department and more, that can help responders assist more effectively during an emergency.

3. Help the Fire Department when seconds count. Make sure to keep your profile updated when information changes over time so responders can always be prepared.

For more information and to create your free account, go to communityconnect.io/info/mn-lakeville.

STAFF UPDATE

Utilities Division

As of July 14, the new WaterSmart program has 182 registered users. There have been 44 residents notified by email or by a visit from one of our employees that there was a significant leak at their home. So far, 38 of the leaks have stopped. We are working with interested homeowners associations to promote the WaterSmart program to their members.

Fire Department

The annual Fire Department Belgian Waffle Breakfast was a big success this year. There were 2,070 tickets (plates) sold, and 2,600 waffles served (which accounts for people going back for seconds).

Lakeville Area Arts Center

The 2022 fall schedule of classes is almost finalized. The new schedule includes some exciting new programs like glass workshops and watercolor classes.

Revenue is up over 200% for the first half of the year, compared to the same time period last year. This number also exceeds the Arts Center's pre-COVID revenue figure set in 2019.



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