



FOCUS ON LAKEVILLE

City of Lakeville Newsletter

MEETINGS

Monday, August 1

City Council, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 3

Parks, Recreation & Natural Resources Committee, 6 p.m.

Thursday, August 4 - canceled

Planning Commission, 6 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

Apply for the Youth Advisory Commission

The new Youth Advisory Commission will serve as an advisory body to the Lakeville City Council, allowing Lakeville's youth the opportunity to participate in the City's decision-making processes, provide the City Council with recommendations on a variety of issues, promote existing initiatives while developing new programs and encourage more youth to become effective leaders who will help shape the future of Lakeville. Commission members must be 14 to 18 years old at the time of selection. For more information and to complete an online application, go to lakevillemn.gov, under Government, Boards & Commissions.

Watch for Your August Utility Bill

City utility bills will be sent out the first week of August by mail or by email (if you are registered through our third party payment provider, Payment Service Network (PSN)). Overall, the estimated billed consumption is similar to the same billing period in 2021 and over 38% higher than 2020. You might see an increase in your bills (compared to your May 2022 bill) because of the increased water use due to outdoor watering. Sign up for our new WaterSmart program at lakevillemn.watersmart.com to access your personal portal to view and manage your water use to help you save money.

Rent Space at a City Facility for Your Upcoming Event

Did you know you can rent space at City of Lakeville facilities for your events? We offer a variety of amenities and facilities that can be rented for exclusive use for events such as:

- Group meetings
- Training sessions
- Birthday, anniversary, graduation parties
- Baby or bridal showers
- Wedding receptions

Here are just a few of the amenities that our facilities offer.

Emporium Room at Lakeville Liquors Keokuk

- Three wall-mounted screens
- Free Wi-Fi
- Sound system and microphone
- Granite tasting bar
- Use of outdoor patio and firepit
- Stainless steel worktable and three compartment sink in prep room
- Dishwasher
- Capacity for 80 seated, 150 standing

Lakeville Heritage Center

Heritage Room:

- Wall-mounted 46" TV
- Pull-down projector screen
- Baby grand piano

Atrium Room:

- Mounted wireless projector screen
- Wall-mounted 46" TV



Lakeville Area Arts Center

Lobby*

- Capacity for 30 for a seated meeting

Art classroom*:

- Pull-down projector screen
- Projector
- Access to catering kitchen

Theater*:

- Full stage projection
- Baby grand piano
- Full theater lighting and sound
- Access to catering kitchen
- Lighting and sound staff

* Some Arts Center amenities require additional fees, which can be found at LakevilleAreaArtsCenter.com.

We also offer rentals of **park amenities and shelters** at various parks in Lakeville.

For more information on our facility and park rentals, go to lakevillemn.gov/rental for full lists of available amenities, rental policies, pricing and contact information.

Join Your Neighbors to Keep Food Scraps Out of the Trash

The number one item in our trash is food and it's finding its way to the landfill. That's why nearly 8,000 Dakota County households have registered to participate in the county's free organics drop-off program. Across all eight locations, more than 10,000 pounds of food scraps and other compostable products are collected each week.

Bringing organics to a drop-off site is easy and can dramatically reduce waste. The typical household can divert up to one-third of trash by delivering items such as food scraps, spoiled produce, coffee grounds and bones. Instead of sitting in a landfill, this material is turned into compost—a nutrient-rich soil additive—used in gardening and landscaping.

Sites are located throughout Dakota County—Burnsville, Eagan, Farmington, Hastings, Lakeville, Mendota Heights, Rosemount and West St. Paul—with more sites opening this year.

Lakeville's organics drop-off site is located at the Water Treatment facility at 18400 Ipava Avenue.

To sign up, visit dakotacounty.us and search *organics*, email organics@co.dakota.mn.us or call 952-891-7557. All registered participants receive helpful tips and compostable bags to use at home.

Partially funded by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and Dakota County.

STAFF UPDATE

Utilities Division

As of July 22, the new WaterSmart program has 254 registered users. There have been 114 residents notified by email or by a visit from one of our employees that there was a significant leak at their home. So far, 85 of the leaks have stopped.

Park Administration Division

The Casperson Performance Stage project continues. Electrical items were installed inside the storage area of the structure, Xcel Energy completed the new service connection and sections of the new storm sewer were installed.

The Bunker Hill Park playground project is moving forward with the removal of the old equipment and preparing the site for the new container curb installation. Playground equipment is scheduled to be delivered the first week of August.

Lakeville Area Arts Center

The Arts Center has been awarded a new four-year operating support grant by the Minnesota State Arts Board. In the first year, the Arts Center will receive \$66,218 to support access to and expansion of new programming.



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