



City of Lakeville Weekly Newsletter

MEETINGS

Monday, July 15

City Council, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, July 17

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

Thursday, July 18

Planning Commission, 6 p.m.

Meetings take place at City Hall unless otherwise noted. The public is invited to attend. Agendas are available online at lakevillemn.gov.

Mayor's Office Hours

Mayor Doug Anderson has office hours on Mondays from 3 to 5 p.m. at City Hall. To schedule an appointment, call 952-985-4403.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fire Department Belgian Waffle Breakfast

Saturday, July 13, 7-11 a.m.

Fire Station 1 - 20190 Holyoke Avenue

- \$9 adults
- \$7 kids 6-12
- FREE 5 & under

All you can eat Belgian waffles, breakfast sausage, coffee and juice. This event is hosted by the Lakeville Fire Relief Association and is their only formal fundraiser.

Youth Shore Fishing Contest - FREE

Saturday, July 27, 9-11 a.m.

Casperson Park - 19720 Juno Trail

Prizes awarded to ages 13 and under for various fish categories. Bring your own fishing equipment and bait. Register the day of the contest.

Lakeville Liquors' King Park Mini Golf Course Fundraiser

Purchase a new club membership or renew your existing membership during the month of July at a discounted price with a donation of \$12 (Wine or Brew) or \$24 (Premier). All proceeds will be used for the final construction costs of the new all-inclusive 9-hole King Park Mini Golf Course. For more details, stop by any Lakeville Liquors location.

Do You Have Japanese Beetles on Your Trees or Shrubs?

If you had problems last summer with Japanese beetles on your property, the odds are very good they will be pests again this year. Although the first wave of Japanese beetles starts around July 4, their noticeable emergence will be a little later due to the cool spring and early summer.

Japanese beetles will not kill a tree unless the tree is extremely stressed and already dying. Healthy trees can tolerate leaf feeding by these insects. If you have edibles or ornamentals like grape or roses, the beetle damage will be more destructive and you may opt to treat these plants.

Whether or not you decide to treat, always provide deep watering to affected trees and shrubs during times of drought to help buffer the stress of leaf damage.



Here are some tips for dealing with Japanese beetles:

- If you find Japanese beetles on a healthy established tree, there is no need to treat it.
- For smaller Japanese beetle populations on young trees or plants, consider physical removal (hand picking into a bucket of soapy water).
- If you can't tolerate the way your trees or shrubs look, you could use an insecticidal spray, but keep in mind it only remains on the tree for about two weeks and may need to be reapplied, and you will also kill beneficial insects and/or pollinators that visit flowers. To protect bees, apply insecticides during the late evening after bees are no longer active. Another treatment option is a systemic insecticide which will make the leaves and other plant parts (except rose petals) toxic to all insects (including pollinators) for a season.
- The grub is the immature stage of the beetle, which can cause large dead spots in your lawn. If you have grub damage in your lawn, you could apply a granular insecticide now through early September to keep Japanese beetles from emerging next summer. Keep in mind the beetle often flies to other areas to look for preferred food sources, so even if you have leaf feeding, it doesn't mean they are laying eggs and hatching out as grubs in your yard.
- Although they will make you feel like you are making progress, research has indicated the pheromone traps/bags are not a good solution, since they just attract more beetles to your yard.
- Japanese beetles are only active for six to eight weeks, so leaf feeding typically ends around early August.

For links to other resources for dealing with Japanese beetles, visit lakevillemn.gov and read the City News item.

Apply to Become a Member of the City of Lakeville's Technology Work Group

Lakeville's Technology Work Group was formed several years ago to identify opportunities and make recommendations for improvements to City services through the use of technology. Examples include evaluating the City's fiber optic network, e-commerce offerings, and partnering with our business community on issues that may

benefit our residents and businesses. There are currently openings to be filled for this work group.

For more information about this group and to download an application, go to lakevillemn.gov, under Government, then Boards & Commissions.

STREET PROJECT UPDATES

County Road 50/Holyoke Avenue

The new roundabout at County Road 50 and Holyoke Avenue opened to vehicle and pedestrian traffic on July 10. The roadway between Holyoke Avenue and Cedar Avenue will remain open through Pan-O-Prog activities. From July 15 to July 22, County Road 50 will be closed to all traffic from east of the Holyoke Avenue roundabout to Highview Avenue. On July 22, County Road 50 will be closed to all traffic from just east of Highview Avenue to Cedar Avenue.

Dodd Boulevard/Flagstaff Avenue

This week the contractor continued construction of new storm sewer, excavation of stormwater infiltration basins, and construction of the new road base on Dodd Boulevard and within the roundabout area. Next week the contractor will complete construction of new storm sewer throughout the project area and continue building the base layers of the new roadway. This intersection will remain closed through August.

For more information about these projects, and to sign up to receive project updates by email, go to lakevillemn.gov and click on the blue City Projects button.



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