



# FOCUS ON LAKEVILLE

City of Lakeville Weekly Newsletter

## MEETINGS

### Monday, May 11

Mayor's office hours - *canceled*  
 You can still reach Mayor Anderson at 952-985-4410 or [danderson@lakevillemn.gov](mailto:danderson@lakevillemn.gov).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 210th Street Reconstruction Project Online Open House

Thursday, May 28 at 6 p.m.  
[www.210thStreet.com](http://www.210thStreet.com)

Join this online open house at the website listed above. The City of Lakeville plans to reconstruct 210th Street between Kensington Boulevard and Holyoke Avenue, along with the resurfacing of 210th Street/Lakeville Boulevard between Holyoke Avenue and Cedar Avenue in 2022. The project website will contain all up-to-date project information. Visit the site to learn more about the project, share comments and feedback, and view the project designs as they are prepared.

### RV Waste Station Now Open

The RV waste station, located at the Water Treatment Facility at 18400 Ipava Avenue, is now open and offering water for cleaning RV tanks. There is no charge for this service.

### Citywide Garage Sale

The City of Lakeville is no longer registering sales for the Citywide Garage Sale and will not provide a map of sales due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### City Watering Ordinance Now In Effect

Odd/even and time-of-day watering restrictions are in effect May 1 through September 30 each year. Water only 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 only allowed before 11 a.m. or after 5 p.m.—watering during the heat of the day wastes water. Go to [lakevillemn.gov](http://lakevillemn.gov) for more information.

## Emerald Ash Borer Prevention Injection Treatment Program Is Available to Residents

Emerald ash borer (EAB) is a non-native (invasive) insect that kills ash trees. Trees become infested when adult beetles lay eggs on the bark. The eggs hatch into larvae that bore into the tree, eventually killing it.

Due to the discovery of the insect in Lakeville, the City Council adopted an EAB Management Plan which includes a combination of proactive ash removals and treatments. The City has a contract with Rainbow Treecare to protect public ash trees (including trees along boulevards). EAB kills unprotected ash trees, which do not have resistance to the pest.

A citywide discount is being offered to Lakeville homeowners through 2021 for treatment of trees on private property that are at least 10" in diameter and in good physical condition. Rainbow Treecare will inspect your tree(s) at no cost, confirm they are ash and help you to determine if treatment is the best option. Treatments are done from June through early September.

If you have an ash tree, now is the time to decide what to do. Ash trees can be protected or removed. Lakeville is encouraging residents to treat significant, well-placed, healthy private ash trees as part of our EAB prevention program. Often it takes 3-5 years of EAB infestation for an ash to start showing symptoms.

Considerations for treatment include the following:

- The tree trunk is greater than 10" in diameter
- The tree is not competing with other trees or infrastructure



- The tree shows no more than 30% of canopy decline if infestation is suspected
- The tree is in good physical condition

Keep in mind that as ash trees die from EAB, they become brittle and break apart easily. In response to the City's ordinance aimed at mitigating the effects of epidemic level pests, forestry staff will mark infested ash on City and private property each winter so they can be removed by the property owner, ideally before they become hazardous. If your ash is already dying back and you want a confirmation on EAB, you can contact City forestry staff for an inspection. Removals are best done October through April when the beetle isn't flying.

Treating an ash tree costs less than removal and replacement and maintains the value of having a mature tree on your property!

For more information on EAB management, preparing for EAB in your yard and how to request an inspection from Rainbow Treecare or City forestry staff, go to [lakevillemn.gov](http://lakevillemn.gov).

## COUNCIL MEETING May 4, 2020

The City Council received an update from Pan-O-Prog on their plans for this year's festival. The events as we know it won't happen in July, but a smaller event is being planned for the end of September.

The Council accepted over \$14,000 in donations to the Parks & Recreation Department.

An agreement was approved to allow K9 Tank and Officer Loeffler to participate in A&E's America's Top Dog television show.

The Council amended liquor license fees (reduced by 20%) for July 1 renewals and allowed for two installment payments as opposed to one payment due by July 1.

The Council directed that playgrounds, pickleball and tennis courts, disc golf and mini-golf courses be opened as soon as possible with appropriate social distancing signage displayed. They also decided on holding their May 26, 2020 work session meeting in person (as opposed to the remote setting we have been working under) at City Hall. The public will be allowed to participate in person or remotely.

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