



January Newsletter 2023

CITY HALL

OFFICE HOURS:

Mon. Tues. Thurs.
9:30 am to 1:30 pm

Wed. and Fri.
closed, but residents
may call for an appoint-
ment.

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MON, JANUARY 2,

MON, JANUARY 16,
MARTIN LUTHER
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The Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff wish everyone a very Safe & Happy New Year 2023

Mayor's Message

Welcome New City Staff and Councilmember

We are happy to welcome two new members of Staff to City Hall. Carol Billig and Tammy Martin will share job responsibilities of the Deputy Clerk in City Hall. Please stop in and say hi the next time you pass City Hall.

I look forward to welcoming Tim Schneider as a new member of the City Council. I believe he will be a great asset to the City.

During the snowy winter months we get asked from time to time why salt is not used on our city streets. There are a number of reasons why salt is not used. Chemicals used on City Streets eventually ends up in the St. Croix River. As good stewards of the river we strive to avoid contaminating local waters. Also, chemicals add to the breakdown of city streets and cause additional maintenance work during warmer months.

Happy New Year and Be Safe. Mayor Tom

Contacts

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EMERGENCY
911

Helping Hands—If you or a neighbor needs help shoveling or have other needs this winter, the City has residents who can help. Call City Hall at 651.436.7031 or email lscb@comcast.net.

Highlights of December 19, 2022 City Council Meeting

Special thanks to Lake St. Croix Beach Council Member Dawn Bulera who hosted the Holiday Social Hour on Monday, December 19th, before the City Council Meeting. A Truth in Taxation hearing was held prior to the regular City Council Meeting with a comment period for residents. City Council Meeting began at 6:06pm with all councilmembers present. Safety reports and Animal Control reports presented. Financial Report: Significant Receipts for the month, \$27,548, Significant Expenses \$74,190. Councilmember Reiter motioned to pay bills. Seconded and motion approved 5.0. Resolution 2022-14 adopting Final Budgets and Final Property Tax Levies, moved by Mayor McCarthy, seconded and passed 4.1 (Councilmember Reiter voted No).

City Engineer Parotti Report: asked that residents keep drains clear of snow and ice; Road maintenance company limits salt for snow and ice control to avoid salt runoff into the St. Croix River; Bluff Maintenance Plan project is underway and will complete in Spring; Possible street projects being considered for early next year. City Administrator Engstrom Report: has two candidates for Deputy Clerk position. Mayor McCarthy made a motion to hire both people (part-time) subject to background check and requirement to take LMC education classes. Motion seconded and passed 4.1 (Councilmember Armstrong voted No). Resolution No: 2022-12 The Lower St. Croix Valley Firefighters Relief Assoc. General Membership Benefit Level—Motion to approve Mayor McCarthy, seconded, passed 4.1 (Councilmember Armstrong abstained). CUPs approved for renewal under one motion –Mayor McCarthy motioned, seconded and passed 5.0. Comprehensive Plan is moving forward. Public Hearing will be held at the Planning Commission’s February 1st Meeting; Codification is moving forward, possible Public Hearing for this at Planning Commission’s March 1st Meeting.

Councilmember Reports: Councilmember Armstrong—nothing to report

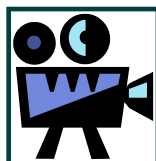
Councilmember Bluesky—thanked Councilmember Bulera for her work over the past four years.

Councilmember Bulera—asked about per diems.

Councilmember Reiter—asked about On Point Solutions business. Councilmember Armstrong reported that a lot of work had been done on the property and no business is conducted there; also, thanked Councilmember Bulera for her work over the past four years; wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mayor McCarthy—thanked all residents for keeping fire hydrants and French drains clear of snow . Thanked Councilmember Bulera for her work on the Council over the past four years. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Meeting closed at 7.08pm



The Lake St. Croix Beach City Council Meetings may be viewed on the City's Website at <https://ci.lakestcroixbeach.mn.us/>

Upon occasion, the transmission of these meetings may be delayed or not available due to technical difficulties.



Valley Library News, Events and Dates

The Library is closed Monday, January 2nd (observed) and Monday, January 16 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day).

Library Hours:
 Monday and Wednesday - 10:00am—3:00pm
 Tuesday and Thursday - 2:00pm—7:00pm
 Friday and Sunday - Closed
 Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm

ADULTS

Book Club: The Valley Library Book Club meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. The title selection for the Thursday January 26th meeting is “While Justice Sleeps” by Stacey Abrams. Find more information at <http://bit.ly/3BJ9Pel>.

Saturday, January 14th 10:30am—12:00pm Let’s Make Stuff—Lotus Flower Lantern. Let’s Make Stuff is a creative class for adults. Class size is limited so registration is required. Register online, or call the Valley Library for more information.

January and February, Winter Reads program: Read, Share and Win. Find more information at <https://washcolib.org/397/Winter-Reads>.

ALL AGES

January-February: Tiny Art Show—Take and Make (and Return). Each “take and make” kit contains a small wooden framed canvas and ... that’s it. Create your own art using whatever you have on hand. Return your art to Valley Library before February 15, 2023. The theme for this year’s Tiny Art Gallery is “Winter” or “Reading” or “Cozy” but let your imagination run wild! No registration necessary. All ages welcome! Kits available while supplies last. More information at <https://washcolib.libcal.com/event/10038371>.

KIDS

Every Monday 10:30am – 11:00am **Family Storytime.** Each week we’ll read stories and sing songs that focus on strengthening early literacy skills. Meet new friends, Storytime is for children of all ages and their caregivers. **Monday, January 23 10:30—11:30am Super Storytime.** January’s theme is Turtles!

Thursday, January 19 3:00—6:00 pm Family Art Cart. Family craft activity designed for children ages 4 and up and their grownups. Use your creativity and imagination.

Saturday, January 28 STEM Saturday Take & Make. Pick up a kit at Valley Library to create your own full view of our planet as if it were seen from space. End up with a colorful “stained glass” window-style ornament. Recommended for ages 6-12. Not an in-person event, supplies available first come, first serve.

ORDINANCE CORNER

Residents often call City Hall for clarification on specific ordinances. Throughout the year, City Staff will use this new area of the Newsletter to provide timely reminders of the ordinances in force in Lake St. Croix Beach.

724 Noise

724.04 Outdoor Implements. Except as hereinafter provided, any power lawn mower, snowblower, power hedge clipper, power saw or such other implement designed primarily for outdoor use, shall be operated only between the hours of 7:30am to 9:00pm on weekdays, or between the hours of 9:00am to 9:30pm on Saturdays, Sundays and State and Federal Holidays, provided however, that such equipment, the operation of which conforms to the maximum allowable sound levels as prescribed herein, may be operated during the above prohibited hours.

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**2023 City Council
Meeting Dates**

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(all meetings are held at 6 p.m. unless otherwise noted)

January 9	July 17
February 13	August 21
March 20	September 18
April 17	October 16
May 15	November 20
June 19	December 18

