



*The Mayor, Council Members, and City Staff wish everyone a very Happy & Safe New Year for 2025*

**CITY HALL  
OFFICE  
HOURS:**

Mon. Tues. Thurs.  
9:30 am to 1:30 pm.  
Wed. and Fri. closed, but residents can call for an appointment.

**OFFICE CLOSED  
Wed, January 1**

**Mon, January 20th,  
Martin Luther King,  
Jr. Day**

**WINTER PARKING & SNOW  
REMOVAL**

Many of the streets in LSCB are narrow and must be kept clear to allow access for emergency vehicles, snowplows, garbage haulers, etc. especially after a snowfall event

Within 48 hours of a snowfall event of two inches or more, the snowplows start plowing the main streets of LSCB. Secondary streets follow soon after.

**Welcome New Councilmembers**

I look forward to welcoming Brad Freppert and Warren Burger as newly-elected members of the City Council. I believe they 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 for this. Chemicals used on City Streets eventually end 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.

Residents can expect to get emails for Boat/Dock/Buoy Permit renewal applications and Wait Lists in January. The deadline to renew is March 15, 2025 but don't wait until the last minute. If you have any questions, be sure to contact City Hall. Additionally, ATV and Golf Cart permits will be available at City Hall so come on in and purchase your 2025 permit stickers. These permits are good for the whole calendar year—1/1 to 12/31.

Best wishes to all our residents for a healthy and happy 2025!

Mayor Tom McCarthy

**City Updates:**

- Audio Staff on Demand—This area of the City's website will be expanded early in the New Year to increase the availability of information for residents on a 24/7 basis. More information to follow in next month's newsletter.
- Outstanding MN State grant monies for 2023 Flood and Ice Storm damages were received in the amount of \$98,657. The wheels of government turn slowly but getting this money into our bank before year end was awesome.
- Flags will be at half mast through January to honor President Jimmy Carter.

**CITY COUNCIL:**

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## Contacts

### Animal Control

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### Building Inspector

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### Burning Permits

651.248.5103

### Environmental Center

651.275.7475

### LSCV Fire Department

651.436.7033

### Sheriff's Department

651.439.9381

### Lakeland Water Utility

651.436.8044

### Well Water Test Kits

(WA County) 651.430

6655

### US Post Office

(Lakeland)

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### EMERGENCY

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Phone: 651-436-7669

**PRIOR TO STARTING ANY BUILDING PROJECT please call the City Office (651.436.7031) to determine whether a permit will be required.**

### Valley Library Events and Important Dates

Library Closures: **January 1<sup>st</sup>** for New Year's Day; **January 20<sup>th</sup>** in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

**Did you know** that Washington County Library celebrates adult readers in January and February with our Winter Reads program? Submit a written review in person to the library or online to win an instant prize. Submit multiple reviews to increase your chances of winning a grand prize. For more information search "Winter Reads" at washcolib.org.

**For Adults:** The Valley Library Book Club meets **5:00-6:00pm** on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month. This book club meets in person in the Valley Library Conference Room. The title selection for the **Thursday January 23rd** meeting is "*The Personal Librarian*" by Marie Benedict.

**For Teens:** Running through May 2025, Washington County Library is presenting a Life Skills for Young Adults series at the RH Stafford Library in Woodbury. Presented by UMN 4-H Extension - Life Skills: Introduction to Finances will be presented on **Thursday January 16 5:30-7:00pm** where youth, ages 14-18, will learn about making your first budgets, understanding credit, and how to build credit. Registration is required <https://washcolib.libcal.com/event/13157273>

**For Kids:** Every Monday 10:30-11:00 am Storytime:

**Monday, January 13th 10:30-11:00** Music and Movement Storytime.

**Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm** Pajama Storytime.

**Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> 11:00-1:00** Kid Builders.

**Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> 3:45-4:45 pm** Dog Man Movie Release Party

For complete information and to register for programs contact

Valley Library 651-436-5882 [www.washcolib.org](http://www.washcolib.org)

### Lower St. Croix Valley Fire Department

**We're hiring! For more information, call 651-248-5103. You can also download our LOWER ST. CROIX VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYMENT PACKET from our website <https://lscvfd.com/index.php>**

The **Veteran's Memorial Park** is funded through donations that can be made to the Lower St. Croix Valley Veterans Memorial (LSCVVM). 100% of your donation is tax deductible; the Memorial is a 501(c)3 organization.

Additionally, if you wish to purchase a brick for yourself, friend, or loved one who lives or lived in the Valley, a suggested donation for a brick is \$25. Send a check to LSCVVM, 16455 20th St. S. Lake St. Croix Beach MN 55043. We need a name, branch of service, and dates of the years served.

### Be a Battery Hero!

If it lights up, makes noise or moves without a plug, it has a battery!

Batteries make our daily lives more convenient. Once they are used, though, they must be disposed of properly.

If thrown in the trash or recycling, batteries may catch fire and pose a threat to people and property. Some batteries also contain toxic metals, such as cadmium, lead or mercury, which can pose a threat to health and the environment. For more information on recycling batteries, visit <https://recyclingandenergy.org/batteries/>

**Be a battery hero! Put batteries in their place by dropping them off at a county drop-off facility: South Environmental Center, 4039 Cottage Grove Drive, Woodbury, MN 55129.**



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