



2024

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

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entertainment of those who  
enjoy finding typos.

It seems Spring has sprung! With the warmer weather we've been having, the beach and the beach parking lot are now open! Beach parking pass information is listed below.

Additionally, the Pavilion is open for reservations. You can call City Hall to see if your date is available. If you are a resident, there is no fee to rent the Pavilion, other than the \$100 deposit, which is returned to you after your event as long as no damage has been done. If you need electricity, it is \$10 per side.

One thing to note... a permit is required to drive your ATV/golf cart in the City. If an ATV/golf cart is parked anywhere by the beach without a 2024 sticker indicating you have a permit, it will be ticketed.

As Always, Stay Safe!

~ Mayor Tom

**Beach Parking Passes Available**

Residents of Lake St. Croix Beach only can purchase parking passes for 2023 at City Hall. The cost is \$10 for the whole season. If you are 65 years or older, you can get a beach parking pass for free. Simply stop at City Hall and Staff will set you up with your pass. We ask that you bring your drivers license and have the number of your license plate.

**CITY MEETING TIMES AND DATES**

*All meetings are held in person at City Hall and via Zoom*

The **PLANNING COMMISSION** meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

The **PARKS COMMISSION** meets on the second Tuesday of each (except during the months of November and December) at 6:00 p.m.

The **CITY COUNCIL** meets on the third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

*In the continued effort by the Mayor and city staff to maintain transparency to the residents, here is a section from the financial report presented by the city account at the April City Council meeting. If you would like to read the report in it's entirety, it is available at City Hall.*

**CARLSON SV (City Accountant) REPORT**  
Presented at the City Council meeting on April 15th, 2024

I've heard that there are concerns from some of the residents about the city's finances, mainly due, I believe, to the negative Bluffland Fund balance. I would like to note that the 2023 financials are currently unaudited, and subject to change after the audit, which is scheduled for the end of May.

In the meantime, I'd just like to note that the city is not in debt for that amount. **Currently the city has no debt.** Actually, the City is owed funds in the amount of \$104,212.01. All those invoices have been covered by the General Fund. All the projects were discussed before the city council, and the council was aware that the city would have to cover a certain percentage of cost of the projects.

The issue is the Bluffland projects have spanned over years. The city did not receive the invoice for the 2022 project until midway through 2023. I believe the intent was to cover the remainder of the projects' cost at that time. Unfortunately, Lake St Croix Beach (LSCB), like a lot of cities in the area, encountered large unbudgeted expenditures resulting from the 2023 Flood and Spring Storm Damage. The Long-Term Improvement Fund is currently covering those expenditures while the city waits to be reimbursed.

I am taking a conservative approach in seeing exactly how much the city is going to be reimbursed for the 2023 Flood and Storm Damage, since it may not be 100%, before transferring funds from the General Fund to Bluffland Fund in order to cover the 2022 Bluffland project.

Given how the city intends to use its 2024 levy funds, the General Fund will only need to transfer around \$15,000, not \$82,000, to bring the fund back to zero. Once LSCB has completely paid for the 2022 project it can once again begin building up a reserve, like it does with the Street Improvement Fund, for the next Bluffland project since it will need to be maintained, and possibly repaired, in the future due to continued flooding.

Respectfully,  
Kim G ~ Accountant/Carlson SV



**VALLEY LIBRARY EVENTS for MAY** ~ closed on **Monday May 27th** for Memorial Day

**Did you know** you can send a print job to the Valley Library printer from your device at any time of day? No library card is necessary, just an email address. Find more information and detailed instructions at <https://washcolib.org/456/Wireless-Printing>

**Thursday, May 8th** 3:30-5:30 Brick Builder's Club ~ Drop by to design, build and create with LEGO bricks. No registration required. This program is recommended for ages 5-12.

**Friday May 10th** 2:00-4:00pm Finding Your Ancestors: Internet Genealogy 101 at the RH Stafford Woodbury Branch. Learn how to use popular online resources to do genealogy research. Registration is required <https://washcolib.libcal.com/event/12204029>

**Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>** 10:00-12:00 **AND Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup>** 2:00-4:00pm Let's Make Stuff: Tin Can Planters join our talented staff at the RH Stafford Woodbury branch where you will make your own Tin Can planter. Registration is required <https://washcolib.libcal.com/calendar/events/?t=g&q=planter&cid=-1&cal=-1&ct=41420&cm=5133&inc=0>

Washington County Library goes to the Movies! Reel Talk Movie Series:

**Monday May 13th** 5:00-7:30pm join fellow movie lovers at the Oakdale Branch for a film, discussion, and free popcorn <https://washcolib.libcal.com/event/10536943>

**Sunday May 19th** 2:00-4:15pm watch *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood* at the RH Stafford Woodbury Branch <https://washcolib.libcal.com/event/11726360>

**Monday May 20<sup>th</sup>** 6:00-7:00pm Dolls from Around the World presentation at the Oakdale branch. Learn about dolls from around the world with stories of the cultures they represent. Registration is recommended but not required. <https://washcolib.libcal.com/event/12304793>

*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 but a Microsoft Teams link can be provided for those who wish to join virtually. The title selection for the **Thursday May 23rd** meeting is "*The Maltese Falcon*" by Dashiell Hammett. <https://washcolib.libcal.com/event/11649383>

*For Kids:* Every Monday 10:30-11:00 am Storytime ~ Join us at 10:30 a.m. on Mondays for Storytime at Valley Library. Each week we'll read stories and sing songs that focus on strengthening early literacy skills. Meet new friends and spend time together as we sing, talk, read, write, and play ...at storytime! This storytime is for children of all ages and their caregivers. **No Storytime on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**. Super Storytime on **May 13th** 10:30-11:30 – Storytime plus a fun craft activity.

The theme for May is: Flowers Ongoing: Scavenger Hunt –theme: Flowers Find images throughout the library and win a prize.

The Valley Library Art Cart is available whenever the library is open. We provide the supplies and you provide the creativity!

May's featured activity is:

Paper Flowers



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651.439.9381

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651.436.8044  
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*Well Water Test Kits (WA  
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911



**ATV / Golf Cart Permits** – Now available at City Hall. The Permit Application Form is available on the City's website or from City Hall. Numbered stickers will be provided upon receipt of completed permit and fee of \$30.00.

Please note, the speed limit for any vehicle on LSCB city streets is 20mph! **If an ATV or gold cart is parked by the beach without a 2024 sticker, it will be ticketed .**

**City of Lake St. Croix Beach road right-of-way information**

With the warm spring weather, people start to work out in their yards on projects. This is a friendly reminder that the road right-of-way in Lake St. Croix Beach is generally understood as any land within 10 feet of a road's edge.

Be aware of this as you plan projects like flower gardens and fences. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall for clarification.



**Lower St. Croix Valley  
Veterans Memorial Park  
16455 20<sup>th</sup> St. South  
Lake St. Croix Beach, MN 55043**



Donations 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 and completely funded through donations.

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

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