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MARCH 2023



# LINDSTRÖM LEDGER

## Monthly E-Newsletter



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We have another **amazing** line up of festivities in the works for this year's **Karl Oskar Days!**

Harmony in the Park will kick off KOD on Wed., July 5th. The Ambassadors Coronation and Diva Night will be on the 6th, and the Marketplace, info booths, food trucks, Activity Zone, and more, will begin on Friday and last into Saturday.

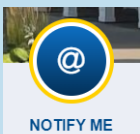
The grand finale of the KOD festivities will be the **Car Show**, Parade and Street Dance on Saturday.

The full list of this year's events are still being finalized, so **stay tuned!** Be sure to follow KOD on Facebook [www.facebook.com/KarlOskarDays](http://www.facebook.com/KarlOskarDays)

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## Stay Informed

Now you can stay informed with our new **E-Notifications** feature! Sign up to receive emails for city news, events, public notices and emergency alerts.



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## Seasonal Maintenance Workers Needed

### We're hiring!

The City of Lindström is accepting applications for **(4) seasonal maintenance positions** to work under the direction of the Public Works Foreman. These positions perform various types of manual labor in the general maintenance of the Public Works Departments, (Parks, Streets, Utilities). Qualified applicants must be at least 17 years old, have a valid driver's license, able to perform light to heavy physical

labor with the ability to lift/carry up to 50 lbs.

[See website](#) for complete job description & application forms. Background check and City application REQUIRED. **Return to:** Lindstrom City Hall, 13292 Sylvan Ave., Lindstrom, MN 55045 or **email it to:** [contactus@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:contactus@cityoflindstrom.us) <https://www.cityoflindstrom.us/administration/pages/employment-opportunities>

- Salary: \$16.62 per hour
- Full-time seasonal, for a period up to 120 working days.
- Not eligible for benefits.

### Position hours are:

Mon.-Thurs. 6:00am to 3:30pm & Friday 6:00am-10am.

If you have questions, call 651.257.0620 or email [contactus@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:contactus@cityoflindstrom.us)

**Application Deadline:**  
**Open Until Filled**

## Be A Harmony In The Park Sponsor

The Lindström Park Board is making plans for the fun-filled **2023 Harmony In The Park** summer concert series.

This event has become a big draw to the area, not only from the **local community**, but the **Twin Cities and Wisconsin as well**. In 2022, Harmony had **over 9,500 attendees!**



In conjunction with the concerts, we also have community events, such as Arts & Crafts Night, Serve & Protect Night, Health Fair Night, and many more.

Deutschland Meats, Trinity Lutheran's Youth Group, and Mason's Sweets will once again be our food vendors.



These **FREE** concerts are held on Wednesdays from June 7th - August 9th at our Lions Park Band Shell. Food & events begin at 6:30pm, and the concerts follow at 7:00pm.

Of course, to accomplish all of this community harmony, **we depend on our sponsors** for support. Please take a moment to view our Sponsorship Form and Preliminary

Schedule (pages 6 & 7).

In return for your good will and contributions, a **wide variety of marketing materials will acknowledge your sponsorship**. A verbal acknowledgement will also be made at each concert.

Thank you for your consideration. I hope to see you there for all of the fun and "Harmony in the Park"!

*Sincerely,*  
**Rusty Johnson**  
Harmony Chair  
Lindström Park Board

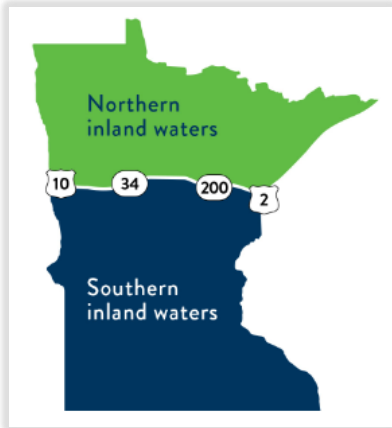


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## Ice Shelters & Fishing License Reminders

### Shelter Removal Deadlines

In the Chisago Lakes area, dark houses, fish houses and portables **must be off the ice no later than 11:59pm on March 6, 2023**. County sheriffs may prohibit or restrict the use of motorized vehicles if dangerous ice conditions are present.



If shelters are not removed, owners will be cited. A conservation officer also may confiscate, remove or destroy any ice structure and its contents if not removed by the deadline.

For more information, please visit the MN DNR website:  
<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/fishing/shelter.html>

### Ice Is Never 100% Safe

There have been numerous reports of thin ice in various areas on our local lakes. Even in ideal conditions, ice is never considered 100% safe.



### Fishing License Renewals

You need to buy a Minnesota fishing license if you're 16 or older. **Annual licenses allow you to fish from March 1 to the last day of February the following year.**

Lower-cost licenses are available for shorter time periods. There is an added cost to fish for trout, salmon or sturgeon.

In most cases, Minnesotans don't need a license if you're fishing in a state park. The DNR's complete listing of fishing licenses can help you decide what to buy.

For more information, please visit the MN DNR website:

<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/fishing/index.html>

## Update on 2023 Mayor and Council Vacancies

A [Special City Council Meeting](#) was held on Thursday, February 9th to discuss the process of appointing a Mayor and City Council Member(s). No appointments took place at this meeting. Council decided to interview all of the candidates who had submitted their letter of interest by the February 3rd deadline.

As was explained on pages 1 and 2 of the [February E-Newsletter](#), the Council is allowed to appoint rather than to have the City bear the cost of conducting a Special Election (see Minnesota State Statutes Section 412.02 subdivision 2a).

The City Council held the majority of the interviews on the evenings of [Feb. 22nd](#)

[and 23rd](#), and will finish conducting interviews on the [March 2nd](#). The Council will make their decision at a [Special City Council Meeting](#) on March 3rd.

**To learn** about the responsibilities, roles, and eligibility of Mayor and City Council, and more, click here:

<https://www.cityoflindstrom.us/city-council/pages/2023-mayor-and-council-vacancies>

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[www.cityoflindstrom.us/subscribe](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us/subscribe)

Do you have questions or concerns?

**Please Contact:**

**Judy Chartrand, Acting Mayor**  
[jchartrand@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:jchartrand@cityoflindstrom.us)  
(651) 334-1263

**Linda Merkel, City Council Member**  
[lmerkel@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:lmerkel@cityoflindstrom.us)  
(651) 400-2242

**Brian Norelius, City Council Member**  
[bnorelius@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:bnorelius@cityoflindstrom.us)  
(651) 243-8115

**Melissa (Missy) Glenna, Interim City Administrator**  
[mglenna@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:mglenna@cityoflindstrom.us)  
(651) 257-0620



### Lindström Fire Department Awarded Generous Grant

Congratulations, [LFD](#), on being awarded the [Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program](#) for new 800 MHz Armer radios! The current radios used by LFD are almost past "end of life" and the model has been discontinued. This grant will allow Lindström Fire the ability to purchase all new radios, providing for clear and safe communication. This also makes the Firefighter's job safer in extreme and hazardous incidents.

Thank you, Chief Sellman, for putting in the hard work to apply for this competitive grant!

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# City Projects & Development Updates

**Albrecht Development at North Lindstrom Lake:** We are awaiting next steps from the developer.

**Elms Estates:** All of the units have been removed. The property is privately owned (**not** city-owned), and clearing and clean up of the property continues. The owner is actively marketing the property.

**Golf Estates:** Construction in this development continues.

**Lindstrom Fire Hall:** Permanent electric has not yet been completed. Completion has been pushed back to spring/summer of this year.

**Lindstrom Police Hall:** Preparations are being made for this year's bonding bill. Our lobbyist is in place and the project is still on with Minnesota's Management and Budget (MMB) office. A meeting with Senator Koran and Rep. Neu Brindley took place on February 3.

**Maple Street:** The City Engineer conducted a traffic study for Maple Street. Another neighborhood meeting will be scheduled in the Spring of 2023 to discuss the findings of the study.

**Meredees/Peninsula:** The developer failed to meet the deadline to file the final plat.

**Morning Sun Phase 4:** The City has received two building permits so far this year.

**Newlander/Elm Street Reconstruction:** A few of the erosion control devices were left in place to protect from a quick thaw. The rain garden and punch list items will be addressed this year. To learn more about this project, click [HERE](#).

**O'Jay Juice Factory:** [DEED](#) awarded the City \$200,000 in Redevelopment Grant funds at the end of 2022. The EDA held a closed meeting to discuss the appraisal (private data) of the property at the February EDA Meeting.

**Park Street Parking Lot Utility Undergrounding:** The survey is complete. We are awaiting a concept plan from the City Engineer. This project will be discussed at a future City Council work session.

**Swedish Immigrant Regional Trail, Newell to Highway 8:** At the December Council meeting, business owners on the proposed new trail alignment were not in favor due to safety and losing parking spaces. At the February Council meeting, Council chose to withdraw the grant application for this project, as the grant does not allow for revisions to the trail alignment plans that were submitted with the grant application.

**Twin Oaks/Lyman Court Phase Two:** The project is on hold for the winter. Paving is delayed until spring.

**Veteran's Housing (Tingsryd Gardens):** This project is on hold due to financing.

## Upcoming Events



### Memorial Day Paddle

Monday, May 29th

Time to be determined

Starting Location to be determined

[29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström](#)

Get your kayaks ready for another Memorial Day Paddle on the [Chisago Lakes Water Trail](#)! **No registration necessary. More info coming soon!**

Stay up to date on the [Chisago Lakes Water Trail](#) Facebook page.

Water trail maps are available on the website, or stop by City Hall or the Chisago Lakes Chamber for the full-sized map/brochure.

### Harmony In The Park

Wednesdays, June 7th - August 9th

Events start at 6:30pm;

Band starts at 7pm

**Lions Park Band Shell, next to Lindström City Hall**

[13292 Sylvan Avenue, Lindström](#)



We have an amazing music line-up for 2023! See the page 6 for the Preliminary Schedule. The final schedule, which will include all of the events, the evening's themes and sponsors will be available in early to mid-May.

**FREE admission.**

**Fun for all ages!**

Click [HERE](#) for sponsorship forms & additional event information.

### Karl Oskar House Tours

Sundays, May Through Fall

1pm - 4pm

[29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström](#)

Watch for the spring reopening of the Karl Oskar House in May. To schedule a tour or visit contact:

[friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com)

### Nordic Folk Music Jam

Sunday, June 4th

1:30pm - 3:30pm

[29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström](#)

Watch talented musicians play at the Karl Oskar House in Ki Chi Saga Park. Questions? [nyaduvemalamusic@gmail.com](mailto:nyaduvemalamusic@gmail.com)

### Karl Oskar Days

Wed.-Sat., July 5th - 8th

Event times & locations throughout

Lindström will vary. Details for this year's events will be available soon- stay tuned!

Visit our Community Events page for more info

[www.cityoflindstrom.us](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us)



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# KARL OSKAR DAYS

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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

For 60 years, the Karl Oskar Days festival has been a highlight of the summer celebrations along the communities on Highway 8. Past residents from the City of Lindström have worked very hard to establish this festival to be the largest in the area. It is an honor to ban together with you to keep this rich heritage alive and strong.

In recent years, all communities have undergone adversity requiring deep grit to make it from season to season. The Chisago Lakes Area has not made it through unscathed. Costs for services and entertainment rise tremendously. Generous local businesses that sponsor this endeavor struggle to maintain the level of donations they are accustomed to. The desire to create family friendly entertainment at costs as low as possible, or even free, are in jeopardy. The need to keep costs down for vendors and parade entries has become strained. The opinion of the community to keep street dance fees at a historic low becomes threatened.

This is where you can help. To accomplish this level of community celebration, we depend on our sponsors for support. This is very important to our small, but well-known town, so please take a moment to view the included sponsorship brochure. In return for your goodwill and contributions, a wide variety of marketing materials will acknowledge your sponsorship. Thank you for your consideration! All donations appreciated by June 1, 2023.

Sincerely,

**PAULINE HINSCH**

*Special Event Coordinator, City of Lindström*

PLEASE CONTACT US AT  
(651)257-7648

EMAIL US AT  
PHINSCH@CITYOFLINDSTROM.US  
VISIT US ON

FACEBOOK AND [WWW.CITYOFLINDSTROM.US](http://WWW.CITYOFLINDSTROM.US)



# KARL OSKAR DAYS

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## Pick your favorite package.



**\$ 300**

### ● BRONZE sponsor

- In appreciation receive:
- business name on event poster placed in many locations



**\$ 750**

### ● SILVER Sponsor

- In appreciation receive:
- complimentary parade float entry seen by 7000+ people
  - business name on event poster placed in many locations



**\$ 1500**

### ● GOLD Sponsor

- In appreciation receive:
- complimentary parade float entry seen by 7000+ people
  - business name on most marketing material/social media
  - 2 free Loppet 5K registrations



**\$ 3000**

### ● PLATINUM Sponsor

- In appreciation receive:
- parade banner with logo viewed by approximately 7,000+ people
  - complimentary parade float entry
  - business name on ALL marketing material/social media
  - 2 free Loppet 5K registrations



## Payment.

Donations appreciated by June 1st

651-257-0620 (credit card)

13292 Sylvan Ave Lindström, MN 55045 (check) make check out to City of Lindström

visit City Hall(cash) M-Th 7a-4:30p; Fri 7a-12p

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you have a parade float? (platinum, gold and silver sponsors) \_\_\_\_\_

- Please fill out the parade entry form also. I'll email it to you.

Please provide a business logo for advertising to: [phinsch@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:phinsch@cityoflindstrom.us) if possible.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!**

# Harmony in the Park

## 2023 Summer Concert Series PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

**Wednesday Nights at 6:30 pm**  
**Lions Park Band Shell—(Next to City Hall)**

**All Concerts are FREE to the Public!**

*Concerts will be held in the Lindstrom Community Center if there is inclement weather.*

| <b>DATE</b>     | <b>BAND (Starts at 7:00)</b>  |
|-----------------|---|
| <b>June 7</b>   | <b>The White Sidewalls</b><br><i>50s &amp; 60s Doo-Wop / Rock &amp; Roll</i>      |
| <b>June 14</b>  | <b>A Hard Days Night</b><br><i>Beatles Tribute Band</i>                           |
| <b>June 21</b>  | <b>Transit Authority</b><br><i>Chicago Tribute Band</i>                           |
| <b>June 28</b>  | <b>Song of the South</b><br><i>Alabama Tribute Band</i>                           |
| <b>July 5</b>   | <b>Bob &amp; the Beachcombers</b><br><i>Surfin' the 60s &amp; Rockin' the 70s</i> |
| <b>July 12</b>  | <b>Jonah &amp; The Wales</b><br><i>Rock/Variety</i>                               |
| <b>July 19</b>  | <b>Monroe Crossing</b><br><i>Bluegrass / Classic Country</i>                      |
| <b>July 26</b>  | <b>The Dweebs</b><br><i>Top Hits from the 60s thru Today</i>                      |
| <b>August 2</b> | <b>Elvis Tribute<br/>with Todd Anderson</b>                                       |
| <b>August 9</b> | <b>Rockin' Hollywoods</b><br><i>50s-80s Rock</i>                                  |



**To receive the final  
schedule (when available),  
including events:**

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parks-department/  
pages/harmony-park](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us/parks-department/pages/harmony-park)



# Harmony in the Park Sponsorship Form

This amazing event would not be possible without the generous contributions of our sponsors. *Thank you, sponsors!*

## Sponsorship Levels for the 2023 Season:

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Corporate (Platinum)       | \$500 and up  |
| Business (Gold)            | \$200 - \$499 |
| Supporting (Silver)        | \$100 - \$199 |
| Family/Individual (Bronze) | \$25 - \$99   |

**100% of your  
sponsorship goes  
towards Harmony  
in the Park**

Banners (\$200 & up only), press releases, posters, and flyers will acknowledge your sponsorship. A verbal acknowledgement will also be made at each concert.



Sponsorship donations must be received by Friday, May 5, 2023 to be included on marketing materials. If we receive your sponsorship after the above date, your name/business will still be verbally acknowledged at each concert and will be included on our website, but will not be included on any of the *Harmony in the Park* marketing materials.

All donations/sponsorship can be dropped off at, or mailed to:  
Lindström City Hall, 13292 Sylvan Ave., Lindström, MN 55045

Make checks payable to: City of Lindström.

Debit or credit card payment: Call or stop in at Lindström City Hall at 651-257-0620 during regular business hours (Monday – Thursday 7am – 4:30pm and Friday 7am – Noon)

(Please return this portion with your payment.)

***Yes, I want to be a Harmony in the Park Sponsor!***

Name/Business name as you want shown on marketing materials (**deadline 5-5-2023**):

Check box if you wish to remain anonymous

Amount of Sponsorship: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ *Thank you!*

To receive a copy of your receipt via email, please complete below:

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt # \_\_\_\_\_

Code 238-36230

# Lindström's Polka Party & Allemansrätt Candlelit Hike

## Lindström Park Board Polka Party

The polka party on Feb. 11th was an HUGE success this year, with 242 people attending! Nearly every age was represented at this family event, including very young children, high school kids, folks in their 90's, and everything in between. This was exactly the turnout we were hoping for.



Thank you, [Deutschland Meats](#), for providing the party-goers with delicious German food and drink!

Every year, the [Lindström Park Board](#) hosts this event (FREE admission) to help sponsor our [Harmony in the Park](#) summer concert series.

## Allemansrätt Candlelit Hike

Although the dogsled rides at the park were cancelled due to lack of lake ice, the candlelit hike through Lindström's [Allemansrätt Wilderness Park](#) was AMAZING! Over 300 people enjoyed this truly magical experience, and warmed up by the bonfire with a complimentary hot cocoa after their hike. People of all

ages attended, as well as a few dogs.

Thank you to the **many volunteers** that made this year's candlelit hike extra special!



## Våffeldagen: "Waffle Day" (Voe-fell däg-en)

On March 25th, Swedes celebrate Våffeldagen (Waffle Day). Waffles are eaten all year round in Sweden, but they are particularly popular on Våffeldagen. Swedish waffles are thinner than Belgian or American waffles, and are generally circular and divided into five hearts. Click [HERE](#) for an authentic Swedish waffle recipe!



# March Meetings & Closures

## Meetings

- Mar. 2      **Planning Commission:** 6:30pm
- Mar. 3      **City Council Special Meeting:** 4:00pm
- Mar. 6      **Park Board:** 6:00pm
- Mar. 8      **Police Commission:** 6:30pm
- Mar. 14     **EDA (Economic Development Authority):** 7:30am
- Mar. 16     **City Council:** 7:00pm
- Mar. 20     **Chisago Lakes Joint Sewer Treatment Commission:** 5:30pm
- Mar. 23     **Library Commission:** 7:00pm
- Mar. 27     **Cable Commission:** 4:00pm (CLHS)



- View our "City Calendar" on our website's home page for a complete schedule: [www.cityoflindstrom.us](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us)
- Click on the "[Agendas & Minutes](#)" button on the home page for more information.
- Click on "[Livestream Meetings](#)" on the home page to view a livestreamed meeting that is currently in progress, or to view a completed meeting that was previously livestreamed.

## City Hall Closed

No Scheduled Closures

Visit our Meetings, Agendas & Minutes page for more info

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# Enjoying Winter in Lindström

Lindström and the Chisago Lakes area has a lot to offer for winter activities!



## Cross Country Skiing, Snow Shoeing & Hiking

The 125-acre [Allemansrätt Wilderness Park](#) provides an abundance of trails with primarily hilly terrain. Explore Bull Lake, Anderson Peninsula, and more. Visit our city website's [Parks Department](#) page for more information.

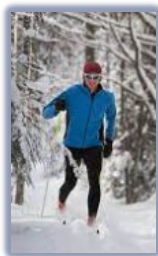
<https://www.cityoflindstrom.us/parks-department/pages/allemanr%C3%A4tt-park>

[The Swedish Immigrant Trail](#) provides a beautiful, relatively flat terrain for snow shoeing, [fat tire biking](#) (when there's not too much snow), and winter hiking. The snowmobile trail runs alongside sections of the trail, so be sure to stay on the cycling and pedestrian side of the trail when exploring this local treasure.



<https://www.chisagocountymn.gov/481/Swedish-Immigrant-Regional-Trail>

The [Chisago Lakes Golf Course](#) provides and maintains a 2.1 mile groomed cross country skiing trail when there is enough snow. The trail is open to the public. Snowshoeing and hiking is only allowed on the **side of the trail**, not on the trail.



<https://www.chisagolakesgolf.com/>

## Snowmobiling

There are many trails in the area for snowmobiling, which are primarily groomed and maintained by members of the [Wild River Snowmobile Club](#). Depending upon conditions, the trail may open later in the season than anticipated, and could also close temporarily after being opened for the season.

Please respect private property so we can keep the trails that we have. This includes staying on the trail **at all times**, as well as not utilizing the trails when private land owners have closed the trail gates. We rely ENTIRELY on private landowners for our trail system. Thank them by not trespassing.



For information on trail opening dates, temporary closures, trail maintenance, volunteer opportunities, and more, please visit WRSC's website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/wildrivernsnowmobileclub/?pli=1>

To follow WRSC on Facebook, click [HERE](#).

For snowmobile tips, trail maps, regulations and certification, visit <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/snowmobiling/index.html>

For City of Lindström ordinances regarding snowmobiles, please refer to the last page of this newsletter.

## Ice fishing

There are many lakes in the area to enjoy this popular winter pastime. Check out the DNR's website for license and safety info, programs and more.

[https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state\\_parks/ice\\_fishing.html](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/ice_fishing.html)

Fishing licenses are effective from March 1 to the last day of February of the following year. To purchase a Minnesota fishing license online or to find out where



you can locally buy a fishing license, visit the Minnesota DNR's website:

<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/licenses/agents.html>

All non-portable ice shelters must be licensed. A portable shelter is defined as a shelter that collapses, folds or is disassembled for transportation. Portable shelters only need licenses and identification when left unattended, which is defined as all occupants being more than 200 feet away. For more information visit:

<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/fishing/shelter.html>

## Ice Safety

White ice or "snow ice" is only about half as strong as new clear ice. Double the below thickness guidelines when traveling on white ice.



Temperature, snow cover, currents, springs, and rough fish all affect the relative safety of ice. Ice is seldom the same thickness over a single body of water; make sure to check the ice at least every 150 feet. For more information, please visit the MN DNR's website:

<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/ice/index.html>

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# City Wide Tree & Shrub Trimming On All Plow Routes

Several areas along city streets are becoming overgrown with trees and shrubs. Not only does this cause a hazard by obstructing visibility for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians, but it is also problematic for snow plows and emergency vehicles.

The City of Lindström will be trimming trees and shrubs that are within the road right-of-way (ROW) to increase safety and to help minimize damage to plowing and emergency equipment. **This project started in late September, and is anticipated to be completed for the season in mid-December. We will only trim what is needed.**

## What is a Road Right-Of-Way?

### Definition

Right-of-way is a legal right of passage that allows someone the right to travel across property owned by someone else.

Land within the right-of-way is reserved for public use. This may be used for public streets, sidewalks, alleys, public and private utilities, etc. Right-of-way width varies by location. A typical residential street has a right-of-way width of approximately 60 feet.

[https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/lindstrom/latest/lindstrom\\_mn/0-0-0-5817#JD\\_90.23](https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/lindstrom/latest/lindstrom_mn/0-0-0-5817#JD_90.23)

### § 90.23 TREES AND OTHER VEGETATIVE PLANTINGS IN CITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENT AREAS.

(A) Planting trees or other vegetation in the boulevard (street right-of-way) is not allowed without a permit from the city. Trees and other vegetation planted within city rights-of-way shall be maintained by the city.

(B) The city may plant or maintain trees and other vegetation in city rights-of-way and may assess the abutting property for any benefit or costs associated with the planting, maintenance or removal of the tree or other vegetation, whether planted by the city or the property owner.

(C) Trees and other vegetation may be planted and maintained in drainage and utility easements without a permit from the city at the risk of the property owner and provided that the trees or vegetation do not interfere with access to or use of the easement.

(Ord. 04-11-02, passed 11-18-2004) [Penalty, see § 10.99](#)



Example of a Road Right-of-Way (ROW):

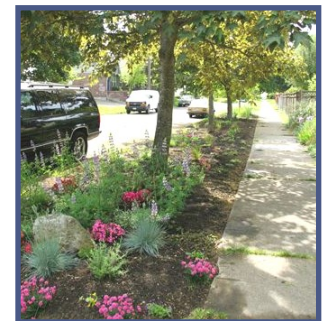
### What to do if your plantings are in the road right-of-way (ROW):

- Relocate your plantings to an area of your yard that is not in the ROW.
- If you choose to keep your plantings in the ROW, be aware that they may be trimmed or removed. Utility companies, as well as the City of Lindström, have the right to do so in the ROW, without compensating or notifying the property owner or tenant.
- Keep your neighborhood safer by keeping your trees and shrubs trimmed.

If you have questions regarding road right-of-way, please contact us at: 651-257-0620 or [contactus@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:contactus@cityoflindstrom.us)

## Right-of-Way Planting

The City of Lindström prohibits planting of trees or other vegetation in the boulevard (road right-of-way). Trees and other vegetation may be planted and maintained in drainage and utility easements without a permit from the city at the risk of the property owner and provided that the trees or vegetation do not interfere with access to or use of the easement. ([Ordinance 90.23](#))



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## Winter Notices & Reminders

### Winter Parking

- From November 1st to April 15th there is **NO PARKING** allowed on city streets between the hours of 2:00 am and 6:00 am or during snow events. This allows our crew to be able to plow in front of your house without having to plow around your vehicles.
- **During a snow event**, please avoid parking on city streets until the plows have cleared the road.
- If you live in downtown and use the city-owned Park Street Parking Lot for parking, you will need to obtain a winter parking pass. Please contact the **Lakes Area Police Department** for more information using their non-emergency number 651-257-0622 or stop in at **City Hall**.



### Protect Your Mailbox

- Mailboxes that protrude into the street are hard to avoid when snowplowing. Please make sure that your mailbox is the appropriate distance from the curb. Click **HERE** for specific USPS mailbox requirements and measurements.
- Most mailbox damage occurs from **the weight of the snow**- not from being hit by the plow blade. Consider replacing your mailbox with a swing style post.



### Snow Plowing

- If your lot is curved, please place reflective markers near the curb to help guide the snowplows.
- DO NOT plow or shovel snow across streets or into a Right of Way. This is referred to as **“snow-pushing”** and it is **illegal**.
- Any personal property located within the Right of Way, including garbage cans, are subject to plowing damage. ***Garbage cans need to be placed in the driveway, not in the street.***

### Snow Plow Safety Tips

Driving too close to snow removal equipment can be extremely dangerous. Follow at a safe distance (at least 5 car lengths away), yield to snowplows, never drive into a snow cloud, and do not use cruise control on wet or icy roads. Avoid passing snowplows, and be patient. Plows travel slower than posted speeds. Stay alert— a snowplow weighs 17 times more than a car! Assume plow truck drivers cannot see you. During a snow event, please avoid parking on city streets until the plows have cleared the road.

*Thank you!*

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## Keep Your Fire Hydrant Cleared

If you have a fire hydrant in your yard, please keep a 3-foot path cleared of snow around the hydrant, clear the hydrant of ice and snow, and keep a path shoveled from the hydrant to the street- and is the responsibility of the Property Owner.

Firefighters need to be able to **locate AND access** the fire hydrant quickly in case there is an emergency. Do your part and reveal the red. *Thank you!*



## Winter Shoveling

- **Property owners** are responsible to clear the sidewalks adjacent to their property of snow and ice **within 24 hours** of a snowfall event. For the benefit and safety of all pedestrians, please adhere to this [City Ordinance](#) (Ordinances 93.01 & 93.18).
- Help your neighbors out, especially if you know they are gone or are elderly. Consider clearing their sidewalks & driveways.

*Thanks for being a good neighbor!*

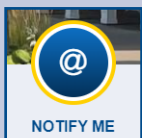


## Snowmobiles, ATV's & Golf Carts

- Snowmobiles, ATV's and golf carts are not allowed to travel on sidewalks, in city parks, or on private property without permission. Click [HERE](#) for complete City Ordinance information.
- Snowmobiles, ATV's and golf carts may operate upon the most right-hand lane of a municipal street or alley & may, in passing or making a left turn, operate on other lanes which are used for vehicle traffic in the same direction for purposes of going to or returning from a non-highway area of permissible operation by the most direct route.
- Snowmobiles, ATV's and golf carts shall only be allowed to travel on City Streets during the winter season, beginning November 1st through March 31st of each year.



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