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AUGUST 2023

Water Usage Restrictions In Effect

The DNR is now requiring all water suppliers in Chisago County (including the City of Lindstrom) to implement water conservation measures.

Please limit using your irrigation systems to every other day, and only between the hours of 4am-7am and 8pm-11pm.

Water restrictions do not yet apply to indoor water use or to wells.

We will post more information and updates from the DNR when available.

If you have questions please contact City Hall at 651-257-0620 or email contactus@cityoflindstrom.us

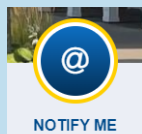
Please be a good steward of our water.

Learn more about how you can conserve water here: www.dnr.state.mn.us/waters/watermgmt_section/ appropriations/water-conservation-residents.html

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LINDSTRÖM LEDGER

Monthly E-Newsletter



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Harmony in the Park Season Finale Aug. 9th

Join us for the last **Harmony of the season on August 9th!** The [Rockin' Hollywoods](#) captivate audiences of all ages with their high energy performances of 50's-80's "Solid Gold Rock & Roll".

The [River City Cloggers](#) will kick off the pre-show events, and the [Chisago Lakes Lions](#) will be hosting their annual Harmony Corn Feed- so be sure to come hungry! Green Lagoon Ice Cream, Trinity Lutheran, local Boy Scout Troop #159,

and Mason's Sweets will also be there.

The [Harmony in the Park](#) concerts are FREE to the public and are family-friendly. Bring a lawn chair and come and check out these talented musicians!

6:30pm: River City Cloggers, Lions Corn Feed & Treat/Beverage Vendors

7pm: Rockin' Hollywoods

If there is inclement weather, the concert will move next door into the Community Center.

A special thank you to our sponsors and to Rusty Johnson for making the 2023 Harmony in the Park summer concert series such an amazing season!



Lindström Makes "Adorable Small Towns" List

World Atlas published an article last month called "[13 Adorable Small Towns In Minnesota](#)", and Lindström made the list!

The article notes that "Lindström cherishes its Scandinavian roots and welcomes tourists to experience its endearing lifestyle." Our boutiques with Nordic-inspired goods, Scandinavian design, Swedish cuisine, our Swedish heritage celebration [Karl Oskar Days](#), and our lakes were all factors in Lindström making the cut.

Words like "charming" and "friendly" were used to describe our beloved town; and this rings true because of our incredible residents and business owners.

Thank you for making us a community that stands out!

Others on the list were:

- Ely
- Biwabik
- Stillwater
- New Ulm
- Red Wing
- Lanesboro
- Henderson
- Grand Marais
- Grand Rapids
- Pipestone
- Excelsior
- Nisswa



If you've never been a "hometown tourist", visit our [website](#) and the [Chisago Lakes Chamber](#) in downtown Lindström. For pre-planned itineraries, visit the [Chisago Lakes Tourism](#) website.

The [Chisago County Historical Society](#) in downtown Lindström has tons of great local info too!



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Another Amazing Karl Oskar Days!

Lindström's 61st [Karl Oskar Days](#) is in the books, and the weather was perfect!

[Harmony in the Park](#) kicked off the festivities on Wednesday, featuring Bob & the Beachcombers. The turnout was HUGE with 1,110 people, 29 dogs, 1 bearded dragon, and 1 Marty. It was also Rusty's birthday! The Ambassadors addressed the crowd and did face painting for kids of all ages.



Harmony in the Park photos courtesy of Gus Gulbranson.

Visit Gus's Facebook page "[Harmony in the Park, Lindstrom, MN pics](#)" for more Harmony pictures from this season.

Thursday was [Diva Night & Bingo](#) and the [Chisago Lakes Ambassadors Coronation](#) (see article below).

Several food trucks, vendors and info booths were in Memorial Park and Beach Park on Friday and Saturday. A Lumberjack Show, bouncy houses, laser tag, and other fun games were also at Beach Park. (Pics on next pages.)

Sporting activities included the Lindström Loppet 5k, pickleball tournaments, a golf tournament and the Herb Jangor 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

The [Lindström Fire Department's](#) Street Dance at the downtown Fire Hall featured the Billee Jo Hall Band, and was also a celebration for the Chisago Lakes Rotary for 25 years of service to our community.



LFD Street Dance photos courtesy of David Peck and Chisago Lakes Rotary.

KOD's traditional events like the [KOD Car Show](#), parade, KOD Street Dance, Photography Show, Trinity's Food

Tent, Diva Shopping & Bingo, and more, were all well attended and people had a blast! (Pics on next pages.)

The Karl Oskar House held a variety of events at Ki Chi Saga Park all weekend, including on Sunday.



Photos courtesy of *Friends of the Karl Oskar House*.

A [special thank you](#) to all of the sponsors, volunteers, Lakes Area Police, Lindström Fire Dept., Pauline Hinsch, and our Public Works Dept., who made this year's KOD a success.

Click [HERE](#) to follow the *Karl Oskar Days* Facebook page for details on next year's events, and visit our website:

www.cityoflindstrom.us/karl-oskar-days

New Chisago Lakes Ambassadors Were Crowned

New Chisago Lakes Ambassadors are crowned each year during Karl Oskar Days, and this year the ceremony took place at the band shell at Lindström's Lions Park. Congratulations, Queen Sam Johnson, and Ambassadors Maggie Kappelhoff, Lana Glenna, and Tori Newman! More pictures of their Karl Oskar Days adventures are available on the [CL Ambassador's Facebook](#) page. The [Chisago Lakes Ambassador Program](#) supports the development and growth of the young women in Lindström and the surrounding area. These young ladies expand their development in volunteerism and leadership, as well as earn a scholarship through this program.



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Karl Oskar Days: Memorial Park

Memorial Park had a wide variety of food trucks, information booths, retail vendor booths, and live FREE entertainment. Traditional Swedish food, such as lefse and Swedish sausage, were a crowd favorite.

Photos courtesy of Gus Gulbranson, unless otherwise noted. Photos have been cropped from originals.



Karl Oskar Days: Beach Park

Beach Park focused on games and entertainment for kids and families. An assortment of food vendors and retail vendors were also there. The Lumberjack Show, which was new this year, was a sight to see!

Photos courtesy of Gus Gulbranson, unless otherwise noted. Photos have been cropped from originals.



Karl Oskar Days: Car Show

The **KOD Car Show** SHATTERED yet another record this year with **over 200** registered show cars, several unregistered show cars, and TONS of spectators. The perfect weather brought out several really special show cars. What a show!

The **Outlaws Car Club** did a great job organizing the event on behalf of the city, and we appreciate **St. Bridget of Sweden** allowing us to use their parking lot again. **Thank you to all of the volunteers who made the KOD Car Show seamless!**

Knights of Columbus served food at the Car Show, and all proceeds benefited the St. Bridget of Sweden youth programs. Boy Scout Troop #159 served beverages, and the proceeds went to their troop. The Farmer's Market was set up at the south end of the parking lot and had lots of great homegrown and homemade items.

All photos have been cropped from originals.



Photos above & below courtesy of Gus Gulbranson.



Photo above courtesy of City Staff. Photo below courtesy of Gus Gulbranson.



1st, 2nd, & 3rd place, Best in Show, & Mayor's Choice. Congratulations!

Photos below courtesy of Outlaws Car Club & City Staff.



Karl Oskar Days: Parade

The parade was a blast, featuring marching bands, emergency responders, non-profits, businesses, dance groups, “Karl and Kristina”, and more. Pat Collins was the parade Grand Marshal, and Lindström’s Mayor and all four City Council Members either rode or drove in the parade.

Photos courtesy of Gus Gulbranson, unless otherwise noted. Photos have been cropped from originals.



Karl Oskar Days: Corn Feed, KOD Street Dance & More

The Chisago Lakes Freemasons Hiram Lodge #287 had their roasted corn feed in Mike O'Malley's State Farm Insurance parking lot. Saturday's KOD Street Dance was packed, and the crowd danced the night away to Mojo Monks.

Our KOD button grand prize winner was Marlys Dunne. She won a custom corn hole set with the Karl Oskar Days logo on it. **Congratulations, Marlys!**

Corn feed photos courtesy of Gus Gulbranson. KOD button winner, KOD Street Dance, & Lindström Loppet photos courtesy of City Staff. All photos have been cropped from originals.



Karl Oskar Days 2023 was a great time, and we can't wait until next year's celebration!



Prinsesstårta (prinn-sess-tourta): Princess Cake

Host your own Swedish [fika](#) with one of the most well-loved Swedish cakes! It's essentially a cream and marzipan cake, easily recognizable by its green color and decorated with a pink rose. It is often served as a birthday cake, and sometimes even a wedding cake. For an authentic Swedish recipe, click [HERE](#).



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City Projects & Development Updates

Albrecht Development at North Lindstrom Lake: A new concept plan was presented at the July Planning Commission meeting as well as at the July City Council meeting. The developer was informed that this is the last concept review of his project and the next step for the project is to come back with a preliminary plat.

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

Golf Estates: Construction in this development continues.

Hydration Station: We have received a SHIP grant to install a hydration station at the southwest corner of 292nd Street and Olinda Trail, along the Olinda Trail Multi-Use Trail. The hydration station backorder date was pushed back to August.

Irene Avenue, Irene Court, & Peninsula Avenue Street Improvements Project: The base course was installed the last week of July, and the wear course is anticipated for the first week in August. The schedule is subject to change. Through traffic through the construction area may be prohibited during various stages of the project. **For updates and the site map visit our website:**

www.cityoflindstrom.us/public-works/pages/current-city-projects

Lindström Fire Hall: Permanent electric is installed, and landscaping is completed. Miscellaneous punchlist items remain. The transition from the concrete driveway to Akerson Street and the concrete in the west lot are being addressed with the contractor. Occupancy is anticipated for late summer of this year. A plan to address the Akerson and access issues will be considered at an August 8 special Council meeting.

Lakes Area Police Hall: This project did not make it on the most recent bonding bill. Discussions continue.

Meredees/Peninsula: The developer failed to meet the deadline to file the final plat. The property was rezoned back to CBD (Central Business District) during the July council meeting. This property is privately owned (not city-owned).

Morning Sun Phase 4: The City continues to receive building permits.

Neal Avenue Street Improvements Project: Council approved the low bid at the July City Council meeting. The project will begin in either August or September. More information to come. **Updates will be posted to our website when we have established an anticipated start date:** www.cityoflindstrom.us/public-works/pages/current-city-projects

Newlander/Elm Street Reconstruction: Boulevard restoration is anticipated for mid-August. The project is nearly complete.

O'Jay Juice Factory: **DEED** awarded the City \$200,000 in Redevelopment Grant funds at the end of 2022. Both the City Council and EDA have held a series of closed meetings and/or work sessions to discuss the property, which included private data such as negotiations and the property appraisal. Negotiations are in progress. Staff is meeting with the county in August to discuss next steps for this project.

Park Street Parking Lot & Utility Undergrounding: The survey and concept plan are complete. Council and Staff have been meeting with stakeholders individually and a meeting with all stakeholders will be held at a later date.

Swedish Immigrant Regional Trail, Newell to Highway 8: The Park Commission has agreed to a trail alignment option that runs along the north side of Highway 8. More information to come.

Twin Oaks/Lyman Court Phase Two: The final pavement lift in the street and the trail pavement will be placed in the next couple months.

Veteran's Housing (Tingsryd Gardens): At the March City Council meeting, Council approved Resolution 20230316-01 granting the developer's request to extend the deadline for recording of the final plat to March 17, 2024.

Stay Informed: Sign up to receive City news, including public notices for City Council Work Sessions, public hearings, meeting date changes, cancelled meetings, public hearings, via email: www.cityoflindstrom.us/subscribe



Utility Billing

Utility bill postcards are mailed quarterly.

1st Quarter: January-March	Bill mailed: 1st week of April	Bill Due: 1st week of May*
2nd Quarter: April-June	Bill mailed: 1st week of July	Bill Due: 1st week of August*
3rd Quarter: July-September	Bill mailed: 1st week of October	Bill Due: 1st week of November*
4th Quarter: October- December	Bill mailed: 1st week of January	Bill Due: 1st week of February*

*For exact utility bill due dates, please refer to your mailed postcard bill or review your bill online.

The City is able to read your meter remotely.

Meters are read each quarter, as close to the end of the quarter as possible.

If you have questions about your water meter, meter readings, and/or utility bills, please contact Assistant Finance Director, Krista Lord, at 651-257-0621 or klord@cityoflindstrom.us

To set up auto pay, to pay online, or to view your bill online, visit our website: www.cityoflindstrom.us/utility-billing

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Upcoming Events



Karl Oskar House Tours

Sundays, Mid-May - Late September
1pm - 4pm

29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström

Swedish novelist Vilhelm Moberg visited the Chisago Lakes area in 1948 and subsequently wrote his acclaimed series (The Emigrants, Unto a Good Land, The Settlers, and Last Letter Home.

Moberg's fictional characters Karl Oskar and Kristina Nilsson were based on his research of real life Swedish settlers in the Chisago Lakes area. The Karl Oskar House was Karl Oskar and Kristina Nilsson's third home in the novel series. The name of the house, Nya Duvemåla, is a reference to Kristina's fictional Swedish home.

To take a virtual tour, click [HERE](#).

To schedule a tour or visit contact:
friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com



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 page 5 for this season's schedule, which includes all of the events, the evening's themes and sponsors.

Thank you sponsors!

FREE admission.
Fun for all ages!



Labor Day Weekend Rubber Duckie Paddle

Sunday, September 3rd
Registration: 12:30pm - 1:30pm

Lindström Beach Park 12505 Newell Avenue, Lindström

Gather all 10 different rubber duckies from various locations along shore on North Lindström Lake, Bull Lake, & vicinity to win prizes! Prizes awarded at 4pm at Lindström Beach Park.

- Non-motorized watercraft only
- One entry per watercraft (kayak, canoe, paddle board, rowboat, etc.)
- Registration required

FREE registration.
Fun for all ages!

See pages 11 & 12 for map & additional details.



Allemansrätt Park Nature Party!

Sunday, September 17th
1pm - 5pm

Allemansrätt Park 31316 Olinda Trail N., Lindström

Save the date for the Friends of Allemansrätt's annual Nature Party!

Games, prizes, and more.

Details to come in late August. The final events poster will be published in the September edition of the Lindström Ledger E-Newsletter.

FREE event.
Fun for all ages!

For more information call Rich or Shari at 651-257-9380



Nordic Folk Music Jam

Sunday, September 24th
1:30pm - 3:30pm

29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström

Watch talented musicians play at the Karl Oskar House in Ki Chi Saga Park.

This is the music wrap up for the season- see you there!

Follow "Friends of the Karl Oskar House" on Facebook:
www.facebook.com/LindHistSoc

Questions?
nyaduvemalamusic@gmail.com



Downtown Lindström

We have a lot to offer here in Lindström!

- Antiques
- Vintage & Repurposed
- Art
- Gifts
- Specialty
- Food & Drink
- Boutiques
- Services

Shopping local keeps our downtown vibrant, increases local prosperity, is better for the environment, creates jobs, and so much more.

Follow "Downtown Lindström" on Facebook for special shopping events, sales, workshops, classes, and more:

www.facebook.com/DowntownLindstrom

Visit our Community Events page for more info
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Harmony in the Park

2023 Summer Concert Series

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.

PLATINUM SPONSORS

City of Lindström
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 Chisago City Fire Department
 Chisago Lakes Lions Club
 Chisago Lakes Rotary-25th Anniversary
 Deutschland Meats
 Grandstrand Funeral Home
 Lindstrom Family Dentistry
 Lindström Fire Department
 Lindstrom Hardware
 Lindstrom Thrifty White
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 Nick and Drew's Discount Foods
 Northwoods Roasterie
 Plastic Products Company, Inc.
 Security State Bank of Marine
 The Isabella A. Smith Estate
 US Bank

DATE	BAND (Starts at 7:00)	EVENT (Starts at 6:30)
June 7	The White Sidewalls <i>50's & 60's Doo-Wop / Rock & Roll</i>	• American Legion Opening Ceremony • Joe Wishy Memorial Car Show
June 14	A Hard Day's Night <i>Beatles Tribute Band</i>	• Public Safety Night
June 21	Transit Authority <i>Chicago Tribute Band</i>	• Chisago Lakes Lions Night
June 28	Songs of the South <i>Alabama Tribute Band</i>	• CLHS Marching Band- Starts @6:15pm • CL Rotary Night- 25th Anniversary
July 5	Bob & the Beachcombers <i>Surfin' the 60's & Rockin' the 70's</i>	• Karl Oskar Days Kickoff Night • Lakes Appreciation Night
July 12	Jonah & The Whales <i>Rock/Variety</i>	• Non-Profit Night • Craft Show Night
July 19	Monroe Crossing <i>Bluegrass / Classic Country</i>	• Faith Community Night • Unexpected Company Chorale Group
July 26	The Dweebs <i>Top Hits from the 60's thru Today</i>	• Family Pathways Night
Aug. 2	Todd Anderson presents Absolutely Elvis	• Health Fair & Age Well Night • Sweet Adeline's Lakes Country Chorus
Aug. 9	Rockin' Hollywoods <i>50's-80's Rock</i>	• Chisago Lakes Lions Corn Feed • River City Cloggers

GOLD SPONSORS: A-Pro Pool & Spa • AAA Recycling • Amanda & Janet Brown • Anderson & Koch Ford • Anderson's Ice Cream Shoppe • Bob & Laurie Burlington • Chisago County Historical Society • Chisago Lakes Freemasons Hiram Lodge #287 • Chisago Lake Lutheran Church • County Chauffeurs & QME • Daphne Molnar- REMAX • Edward Jones-Greg Paine • Farmers Insurance-Tom Kieffer Agency • Fredell Monuments- Dale & Becky Fredell • Gustaf's Eatery • H&L Machine LLC • In Memory of Russ & Bev Johnson • Judy Chartrand In Honor of CL Rotary • Lakes Veterinary & Surgical Center • Lindstrom Farmers Market • Lindstrom Wheel Horse • Mickelson Landscaping • Peterson Repair & Towing • Picket Fence Gals • Pleasant Valley Orchard • RG Realty Group- Becky Carlson • Scandia Electric • Second Generation Builders • Swedish Inn • Uncommon Loon Brewing Company • Virga Chiropractic Clinic

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Labor Day Weekend Rubber Duckie Paddle Sunday, September 3, 2023

Register for **FREE** at Lindström Beach Park
12:30pm - 1:30pm

12505 Newell Avenue, Lindström, MN 55045

Gather all 10 different rubber duckies from various locations along shore on North Lindström Lake, Bull Lake, & vicinity to win prizes!

- **Non-motorized watercraft only**
- **One entry per watercraft**
(kayak, canoe, paddle board, rowboat, etc.)
- **See next page for map & additional details**

Prizes awarded at 4pm at Lindström Beach Park:

- **\$100 - Drawing of the winning duck**
- **\$50 - Second place**
- **Numerous gift cards**
- **Special prize for the watercraft that is "Ducked Out" for the event!**



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- #1—REGISTER AT LINDSTRÖM BEACH PARK 12:30pm - 1:30pm:** Free registration! Must register to participate. Non-motorized watercraft only. One entry per watercraft (kayak, canoe, paddle board, rowboat, etc.).
- #2—FIND ALL 10 DIFFERENT RUBBER DUCKIES:** Search along shore, around docks, etc. on North Lindström Lake and Bull Lake, and in between! Follow instructions given at registration.
- #3— PRIZES AT LINDSTRÖM BEACH 4pm:** Meet back at Lindström Beach Park to see if you've won!

Reminders:

Don't forget to bring water to hydrate, sunscreen, insect repellent, and your own Personal Floatation Device. Bring a dolly or sufficient muscles. Free vehicle parking is available at Lindström Beach Park. Also, we recommend that you layer for the weather.

Questions? Text (651) 402-5429

Lindström's City Council

**Judy Chartrand,
Mayor**
(2023-2024)



Mayor Chartrand is the first female Mayor in the history of Lindström. Her first term as Mayor began on March 3, 2023. She served as a City Council Member immediately prior to her appointment to Mayor. She previously served as a Lindström Park Commission Member as well as a Lindström Planning Commission Member.

**Linda Merkel,
Council Member**
(2021-2024)



Member Merkel began her first 4-year term as a City Council Member in 2021.

**Brian Norelius,
Council Member**
(2023-2026)



Member Norelius began his first 4-year term as a City Council Member in January of 2023.

**Greg Krueger,
Council Member**
(2023-2024)



Member Krueger began his first term as a City Council Member on March 16, 2023. He served as a Lindström EDA Commission Member immediately prior to his appointment to Lindström's City Council.

**David Waldoch,
Council Member**
(1998-2004, 2017-2020, 2023-2024)



Member Waldoch began his current term as a City Council Member on March 16, 2023. He was previously a Lindström City Council Member during multiple terms since 1998. He previously served as a Lindström Planning Commission Member from 1988-1998, and again from 2004-2017.

Questions or concerns?

Our City Council is here to listen. To contact them by email or by phone, click here:

www.cityoflindstrom.us/city-council

Or mail or drop off a letter to them at Lindström City Hall:
**City of Lindström, 13292 Sylvan Ave.,
Lindstrom, MN 55045**

This Month's Meetings & Closures

Monthly Meetings

Aug. 3	Planning Commission: 6:30pm
Aug. 7	Park Board: 6:00pm
Aug. 8	EDA (Economic Development Authority): 7:30am
Aug. 14	Cable Commission: 4:00pm (CLHS)
Aug. 17	City Council: 7:00pm
Aug. 21	Chisago Lakes Joint Sewer Treatment Commission: 5:30pm
No Meeting	Library Commission: 7:00pm (Chisago City Library)
No Meeting	Police Commission: 6:30pm

- View our "City Calendar" on our website's home page for a complete schedule, including work sessions, cancelled meetings, or rescheduled meetings: 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



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Summer Notices & Reminders

Periodic Street Sweeping & Fire Hydrant Flushing

Occasional street sweeping & hydrant flushing may be needed throughout the summer.

- The street sweeper moves very slow, so please keep a safe distance. If possible, avoid on-street parking while street sweeping is in progress, as this allows the sweeper to do a more thorough job.
- Hydrant flushing can cause temporary low water pressure, which should resume to normal pressure shortly after the process is finished. “Spitting” or slight water discoloration can occur. If you experience this, let your water run for a short period of time to clear the pipes within your home.



Weed Elimination & Grass Cutting

Weeds and grasses are not allowed to exceed a height of **8 inches**. Any expenses incurred by the City when performing enforcement and/or cutting will be imposed on the Property Owner.

Noxious weeds and rank vegetation (click for definition) are considered a nuisance according to **City Code**. Property Owners shall prevent the growth of noxious weeds and remove all noxious weeds on land outside of the traveled portion of any Street or Alley within City Limits. If said weeds are not destroyed by the Property Owner, the City may remove them at the Property Owner's expense.



The term “weeds” does **NOT** include shrubs, trees, cultivated plants or crops. **Prairies**, as well as **butterfly & pollinator gardens** are considered cultivated plants **if** the vegetation is **not listed** in the definition of “**noxious weeds and rank vegetation**”, **AND** are planted in a **cultivated manner**.



Recycling & Disposal Services

Click on the links below for more information, or visit our **Resident Information** page for additional resources.

- [Chisago County Household Hazardous Waste Disposal](#)
- [Chisago County Waste Disposal & Recycling](#)
- [Chisago County Prescription Disposal](#)
- [SRC Waste Transfer Station & Recycling Center](#)
- [Abandon, unlicensed & inoperable vehicle ordinances & unwanted vehicle disposal](#)

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on the last page*

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To share “Summer Notices & Reminders” to Facebook, click [HERE](#).

Recreational Fires

[See Ordinances 93.60-93.70](#)

Recreational fires are only permitted if they meet the following conditions:

- Fires must be small- no more than 3 feet in height and diameter.
- A non-combustible fire ring shall completely surround the fire area, and must be depressed below the ground. Materials such as cement, brick, blocks, etc. are recommended materials.
- Fires may not be located closer than 25 feet from any structure.
- Additional conditions apply. See [Ordinances](#) for more info.



All other fires require an Open Burning Permit. Recreational fires or [open burning](#) will not be allowed when the City of Lindström, the [Minnesota Pollution Control Agency](#), or the [MN Department of Natural Resources](#) has officially declared a burning ban due to potentially hazardous fire conditions or air quality alerts. If you have questions regarding fires or burning, or questions on how to obtain an Open Burning Permit, please call the [Lindström Fire Department](#) Fire Chief, Scott Sellman, at 651-248-7421 or email him at ssellman@cityoflindstrom.us

Noise Ordinances

Noise from electronics, instruments, operation of equipment, gathering of people, etc. is not allowed between the hours of 10pm and 7am within the City Limits. Curfews and Park hours are also enforced. (Ordinances [93.18](#), [130.02](#), [94.02](#))

Thanks for being a good neighbor!

Landscaping Water Conservation Tips

- Select hardy plants and grasses that don't need as much water. Try native plants, and mulch plants heavily.
- Fertilizers increase water consumption. Apply the minimum amount needed.
- Plant trees strategically in your yard to help shade your home and yard. This will help to reduce energy use in your home and reduces water needs in your yard.
- Catch rain from your roof with a rain barrel and use this water for your plants and garden.
- Put 3 to 4 inches of mulch around trees and shrubs to help retain moisture and keep the ground cool.
- Place "thirstier" plants near the house where they can receive moisture from roof runoff.
- Letting your grass grow higher in dry weather saves water and helps to prevent your lawn from "burning". Taller grass shades the roots and holds soil moisture better than short grass. Ordinances limit length to 8".
- Use drip irrigation systems, timers, and rain sensors.
- Aerate your lawn periodically. Holes every 6" will allow water to reach the roots rather than run off the surface.
- Recycle your grass clippings into your lawn by using a mulching mower. You'll not only conserve water, but you'll also save time while mowing.
- Water your lawn early in the morning to prevent water loss from evaporation. Watering once or twice a week encourages deeper roots.

For planting/growing guides & more water-saving tips click [HERE](#)

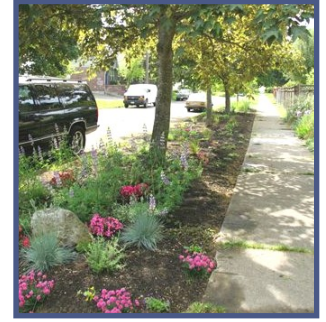


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Right-of-Way Planting

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](#))



Storm Drain Care

- Residents are urged not to blow leaves, grass, dirt, or other debris into the streets. This material can wash into the catch-basins and storm drains, causing them to become clogged and not function properly.
- This debris can also end up in our lakes, which results in excessive algae growth. To learn more about lake preservation, water quality and more, visit the [Chisago County Lake Improvement District \(CL LID\)](#) website.

Thanks for being a good steward of our lakes!

Lakes Area Compost Site

Weather permitting, the Lakes Area Compost Site is open from mid-April through the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Operating hours are Wednesdays 2pm - 7pm (or dusk), Saturdays 9am - 4pm, and Sundays 1pm - 4pm. The site may temporarily close during inclement weather.

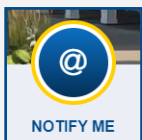
- **Allowed:** Grass clippings, leaves, and brush up to 3" in diameter
- **NOT Allowed:** Dimensional lumber, tires, appliances or household trash
- If available, wood chips, compost and black dirt are available for non-commercial use (for free!)
- No commercial businesses are allowed to haul to or from the site.



Please visit the our [Compost Site](#) website for exact season dates, regulations, resident and non-resident details, and directions.

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