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Monthly E-Newsletter



Water Usage Restrictions Still In Effect

The DNR is currently requiring all water suppliers in Chisago County (including the City of Lindström) 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@citvoflinds trom.us

Please be a good steward of our water.

Learn more about how you can conserve water here: www.dnr.state.mn.us/wate rs/watermgmt section/ap propriations/waterconservation-residents.html

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School Bus Safety Tips

Stop for School Buses: It's the Law!

State law requires all vehicles to stop for school buses when the bus driver activates the flashing lights and has the crossing arm fully extended.

For a video from the Minnesota State Patrol about the importance of stop arm safety, click HERE



Drivers who violate the law face a \$500 fine.

Drivers can face criminal charges for passing a school bus on the right, passing when a child is outside the bus, or injuring or killing a child.

Motorists:

- Motorists must stop at least 20 feet from a school bus that is displaying red flashing lights or a stop arm when approaching from the rear and from the opposite direction on undivided roads.
- Motorists should slow down, pay attention and anticipate school children and buses,

- especially in neighborhoods and school zones.
- The best way to be aware of your surroundings at all times is to put the distractions away.

Students:

- When getting off a bus, look to be sure no cars are passing on the shoulder.
- Wait for the bus driver to signal that it's safe to cross.
- When crossing the street to get on the bus or to go home, make eye contact with motorists before proceeding.

Twin Cities Live Features Chisago Lakes Area

During the week of July 31st, Twin Cities Live (KSTP Ch. 5) highlighted some of the unique spots, shopping, restaurants, and people of Chisago Lakes. All week, they brought stories that featured our area in their TCL segment "Your Town: Chisago City/Lindström".

They held a viewing party on August 3rd at Chisago City's Northern Tavern and Grill, with TCL hosts Elizabeth Ries and Ben Leber broadcasting live. They invited all from the public who wanted to join in the fun, and the place was PACKED!

Unfortunately, due to an ABC News Special Report our segment of the show wasn't broadcast live as planned. However, TCL did rebroadcast the entire show on Monday, August 14th. If you missed it or would like to see it again, click on the images in this article or scan the QR code

for the digital version of this newsletter with clickable links.



Sven Sjostedt, aka "Karl Oskar", was interviewed during the viewing party, highlighting the area's Swedish heritage.



Sven speaks Swedish fluently, and frequently plays the role of Karl Oskar during Karl Oskar Days and at various events at the Karl Oskar House at KiChiSaga Park in Lindström. Lindström Mayor, Judy Chartrand, was interviewed as well. It was a great opportunity for her to showcase Lindström.



The Mayors and City representatives also played a fun game called "That's My City", where the hosts asked questions about our Sister Cities, Lindström's umlauts, lutefisk and more.



Thank you ("tack" in Swedish), Twin Cities Live, Elizabeth Ries and Ben Leber! We hope you visit us again soon!

Lindström Adopts Cannabis City Ordinance

Many communities have a lot of questions following the August 1, 2023 legalization of possessing and using cannabis products by adults (21+) in Minnesota. The State has created the Office of Cannabis Management to regulate the cannabis industry in Minnesota. Find out more on their website: cannabis.state.mn.us/

In accordance with MN State Statute, the City of Lindström adopted the following Ordinance No. 20230817-01 on August 17, 2023, effective immediately. **Below are excerpts** from the Ordinance document. **To view Ordinance No. 20230817-01** in its entirety click here: www.cityoflindstrom.us/government/pages/city-code-updates

SECTION 1. Chapter 130: General Offenses, of the Lindstrom City Code is amended to include the following;

130.03. Cannabis and Hemp Public Use Prohibition.

(A) Definitions The definitions in Minn. Stat. § 342.01 apply to this section. In this section:

CANNABIS FLOWER: The harvested flower, bud, leaves, and stems of a cannabis plant. Cannabis flower includes adult-use cannabis flower and medical cannabis flower. Cannabis flower does not include cannabis seed, hemp plant parts, or hemp-derived consumer products.

CANNABIS PRODUCT: Any of the following: (1) cannabis concentrate; (2) a product infused with cannabinoids, including but not limited to tetrahydrocannabinol, extracted or derived from cannabis plants or cannabis flower; or (3) any other product that contains cannabis concentrate. Cannabis product includes adult-use cannabis products, including but not limited to edible cannabis products and medical cannabis products.

CERTAIN CANNABINOID PRODUCTS: Any product legalized under Minn. Stat. §151.72.

LOWER-POTENCY HEMP EDIBLE: Any product that (1) is intended to be eaten or consumed as a beverage by humans; (2) contains hemp concentrate or an artificially derived cannabinoid, in combination with food ingredients; (3) is not a drug; (4) consists of servings that contain no more than five milligrams of delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol, 25 milligrams of cannabidiol, 25 milligrams of cannabiderol, or any combination of those cannabinoids that does not exceed the identified amounts; (5) does not contain more than a combined total of 0.5 milligrams of all other cannabinoids per serving; (6) does not contain an artificially derived cannabinoid other than delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol; (7) does not contain a cannabinoid derived from cannabis plants or cannabis flower; and (8) is a type of product approved for sale by the Office of Cannabis Management or is substantially similar to a product approved by that Office, including but not limited to products that resemble nonalcoholic beverages, candy, and baked goods.

HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMER PRODUCT: A product intended for human or animal consumption, does not contain cannabis flower or cannabis concentrate, and (1) contains or consists of hemp plant parts; or (2) contains hemp concentrate or artificially derived cannabinoids in combination with other ingredients.

PUBLIC PLACE: Property owned, leased, or controlled by a governmental unit and private property that is regularly and frequently open to or made available for use by the public in sufficient numbers to give clear notice of the property's current dedication to public use but does not include: a person's dwelling house or premises, including the person's curtilage or yard; private property not generally accessible by the public, unless the person is explicitly prohibited from consuming cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, or hemp-derived consumer products on the property by the owner of the property; or the premises of an establishment or event licensed to permit on-site consumption

- **(B) Prohibited Activity** No person shall use cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower-potency hemp edibles, hemp-derived consumer products, or certain cannabinoid products in a public place.
- **(C) Penalty** Violation of this section shall be a petty misdemeanor punishable to the maximum extent authorized in Minn. Stat. § 412.231 and Minn. Stat. § 609.0332.

Just like with alcohol, it is still **illegal** to operate a motor vehicle, off-highway vehicle, boat, or snowmobile while impaired by cannabis- or any other substance.

If you choose to consume cannabis please do not drive.



Are You Discharging Your Swimming Pool?

With Autumn just around the corner, those with swimming pools may be preparing to close them for the season.

One concern that must be addressed is the presence of chlorine. **Chlorination must be stopped several days in advance of discharging,** which will allow the chlorine to dissipate naturally. This usually can be accomplished in 3 or 4 days, but could take as long as a week.

Use a standard test kit to test the chlorine content. The water should be **completely free of chlorine (less than 0.1 mg/L)** and the pH is at a normal level (6.5-7.8) before discharging.

Chlorine free pool water with a normal pH level may be discharged onto vegeta-

tion located on your property. Be sure the discharge **does not** flow onto neighboring properties, cause soil erosion, create a nuisance, or run directly into any body of water (lake, stream, or wetland).



All measures should be taken to discharge the water to the ground. If this cannot be accomplished, consult with the <u>Minnesota Pollution Control Agency</u> (MPCA) for an alternative solution.

In no circumstance should **chlorinated** water be discharged into any surface water (storm sewer, sanitary sewer, ditch, lake, wetland, etc.) or onto vegetation. Doing so can cause serious damage to vegetation and to aquatic life.

Draining a Hot Tub

Hot tubs generally contain a much smaller volume of water than a swimming pool, therefore making water discharge less of an issue.

For more information on safely draining your swimming pool or hot tub, click **HERE**.



äppelmust ("eppel muhst": apple cider) Swedish must ("muhst"), or cider, is just as popular in Sweden during the fall as it is here. The warm and slightly spiced beverage is celebrated throughout Sweden at apple festivals (Äppelfest). In recent years, small batch breweries and orchards have added new twists to the old time favorite. Click **HERE** for more Autumn activities that are common in Sweden, such as Skördefestival



Mrs. Fosdick's 100th Birthday Honored

(harvest festivals) and Höstmarknads (Autumn markets).

In honor of Helen Fosdick's 100th birthday, Mayor Judy Chartrand declared August 7, 2023 "Mrs. Fosdick Day". Many know her as Mrs. Fosdick from her many decades of teaching both Spanish and Swedish as a second language when Swedish was still offered at the Chisago Lakes High School. Helen has been a champion in preserving and promoting Swedish heritage throughout her life, and was instrumental in the formation of the Ki-Chi-Saga Club and 1996 Swedish Immigration Jubilee Celebration.

Mrs. Fosdick now lives in California, but her impact on this community will last for generations to come. **Gratulationer på bemärkelsedagen** (congratulations on your notable day), Mrs. Fosdick, you are a treasure to the City of Lindström!







Another Great Harmony In The Park Season

Lindström's <u>Harmony in the Park</u> FREE summer concert series runs for 10 consecutive Wednesdays every summer, and has grown bigger and better every year. Despite a few nights of poor air quality from the Canadian fires, and one night having to move into the Community Center due to inclement weather, **2023 still had 8,661 attendees** over the course of the 10 concerts.

The American Legion kicked off the season with the opening ceremony, and the White Sidewalls rocked the crowd of over 1,200 concert goers with classic 50's and 60's. A wide variety of classic cars and trucks participated in the annual Joe Wishy Memorial Car Show. Thank you, **Classtique Upholstery**, for letting us use your parking lot for the event!

Bob & the Beachcombers started out the Karl Oskar Days festivities with an energetic night of surfin' 60's and rockin' 70's. The Chisago Lakes Ambassadors greeted concert goers, did face painting, and sold their "Get Your Swede On" t-shirts, which were a huge hit.



Photos courtesy of Gus Gulbranson

The season finale featured the Rockin' Hollywoods and the annual Chisago Lakes Lions Corn Feed. The River City Cloggers opened the evening. Over 600 ears of corn were sold, and there were over 1,300 attendees!



Photo courtesy of Gus Gulbranso

We had a few new headliner bands this year, including Transit Authority (a Chicago tribute band), Absolutely Elvis by Todd Anderson, and Songs of the South (an Alabama tribute band). Each night of Harmony also had a corresponding event, such as Non-Profit Night, Law Enforcement Night, Lakes Appreciation Night, and much more.

Follow our Facebook page and subscribe to city emails to receive the 2024 schedule when it becomes available in the spring. We can't wait to see what the Lindström Park Board has planned for next year!

A special thank you to Rusty Johnson, the <u>Lindström Park Board</u>, our 2023 sponsors, the many anonymous donors, and our awesome food vendors (Trinity Lutheran Youth, Mason's Sweets, Green Lagoon Ice Cream and Deutschland Meats), for making the 2023 Harmony in the Park summer concert series such an amazing season!

Thank You, 2023 Harmony Sponsors!

PLATINUM SPONSORS (\$500 & UP)

- City of Lindström
- Borealis Dental Studio
- Boy Scout Troop #159
- Brink's Market
- Carlson BP
- Charpentier Team-

Lakes Country Realty

- 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
- MidWestOne Bank
- Nabpco Auto Parts
- Nick and Drew's Discount Foods
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GOLD SPONSORS (\$200 - \$499)

- A-Pro Pool & Spa
- AAA Recycling
- Amanda & Janet Brown
- Anderson & Koch Ford
- Anderson's Ice Cream Shoppe
- Bob & Laurie Burington
- Chisago County Historical Society
- Chisago Lake Lutheran Church
- Chisago Lakes Freemasons Hiram Lodge #287
- 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 and Bev Johnson
- Judy Chartrand in honor of

Chisago Lakes 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 Co.
- Virga Chiropractic Clinic

SILVER SPONSORS (\$100-\$199)

Carolyn Wishy in Memory of Joe

- Dale & Bev Cameron
- David Freemore
- Gary & Marna Gerke
- Gary Huber in memory of Betty Jo Huber
- George McMahon
- Kevin Stenson
- Larry & Bonnie Houger
- Lloyd & Linda Stream
- Maranatha Church, Chisago Lakes Campus
- Michael Mergens & Nancy Moe-Mergens
- Robert A. Cedergren
- Thomas & Michele Warner
- Tim & Teresa Ryan
- Tom & Nora Holt

BRONZE SPONSORS (\$25 - \$99)

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- Gary & Julie Lauritzen
- Gregg & Nancy Carlson
- In Memory of Bev Johnson
- John & Peggy Butterfield
- Kevin & Deborah Van Sloun
- Rita Maguire
- Suchismita Sarangi
- Tim & Carolyn Alm

This year's Harmony would not have been possible without your support. Thank you!

2023 Harmony in the Park Photos

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City Projects & Development Updates

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

<u>Golf Estates</u>: 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. Site prep has begun, and the project will be complete in mid-September.

<u>Lindström Fire Hall</u>: Work to address the Akerson Street access issue has begun and should be completed this fall. Occupancy is anticipated for later this year.

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

<u>Meredees/Peninsula</u>: The developer failed to meet the deadline to file the final plat and was **not** given another extension. The property was rezoned back to CBD (Central Business District) during the July City Council meeting. This property is privately owned (**not** city-owned).

<u>Morning Sun Phase 4</u>: 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 includes curb, storm sewer and sanitary sewer manhole castings replacement, and removing existing pavement and repaving the street. Work will begin after Labor Day and is anticipated to be completed by the end of September/early October. Please limit your trips through this area to the greatest extent possible during this project.

Updates have been posted to our website, and will continue to be posted to our website until the project is complete: www.cityoflindstrom.us/public-works/pages/current-city-projects

Newlander/Elm Street Reconstruction: Boulevard restoration is nearly complete, which will close out this project.

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 met with the county in August to discuss next steps for this project.

<u>Park Street Parking Lot & Utility Undergrounding</u>: Council and Staff have been meeting with stakeholders individually, and a meeting with all stakeholders will be held at a later date.

<u>Swedish Immigrant Regional Trail, Newell to Highway 8</u>: 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 wear course of pavement is complete. Boulevard restoration remains and should be completed yet this year.

<u>Veteran's Housing (Tingsryd Gardens)</u>: 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.citvoflindstrom.us/subscribe



Utility Billing

Utility bill postcards are mailed quarterly.

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

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

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

<u>Labor Day Weekend Rubber</u> <u>Duckie Paddle</u>

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! Limited to first **100** who register day of event)

Fun for all ages!

See Rubber Duckie Paddle flyer on next pages for map & more details.

IMPORTANT UPDATE:

This event is getting a lot of response, so we are now having to limit participation to the first 100 who register the day of the event.



5th Annual Allemansrätt Park Nature Party!

Sunday, September 17th 1pm - 5pm

Allemansrätt Park 31316 Olinda Trail N., Lindström

Join the Friends of Allemansrätt and Lindström Park Board for this nature inspired community event!

Games, prizes, tours, food, and more.

See event poster on page 12 for details.

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



Trick or Treat on Main Street

Friday, October 27th 4pm - 6pm

Throughout Downtown Lindström & at the Chisago Lakes Chamber 30525 Linden St., Lindström

Trick or treat at our downtown businesses, and stop by the Chamber building for a goodie bag! Business sponsors are needed- contact the Chamber at 651-257-1177 or email info@chisagolakeschamber.com



Small Business Saturday

Saturday, November 25th (All Day)

Check off items on your holiday list by shopping in **downtown Lindström!** This annual holiday falls on the Saturday after Thanksgiving (the day after Black Friday).

- 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: www.facebook.com/DowntownLindstrom

Visit our Community
Events page for more info
www.cityoflindstrom.us



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12505 Newell Avenue, Lindström, MN 55045

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- 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!



Follow CLWT on Facebook!



Questions? Text (651) 402-5429



#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

Jemansrätt Park



5th Annual Nature Party!

Sunday, Sept. 17th, 2023 1-5pm

Free Event

- Roast Hotdogs and Marshmallows (Compliments of Kwik Trip)
- BYO..RWB...(Refillable Water Bottle)
- · Historic "Anderson" House Tours
- Learn About Volunteer Opportunities
- Digital Scavenger Hunt
- . Interactive Water Game
- · Geocaching, Yard Games, & Board Games
- . Allemansrätt Trivia Contest with Cash Prizes

Come enjoy nature with us!

31316 N. Olinda Trail, Lindstrom

Hosted by The Friends of Allemansrätt Wilderness Park & Lindström Park Board For more information call Rich or Shari at 651-257-9380

This is not a Chisago Lakes School District #2144 sponsored event/activity. All costs for this event have been paid for by the host organizations.



Scan QR code for Facebook event!

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

Sept. 7 CANCELLED- Planning Commission: 6:30pm

Sept. 11 Cable Commission: 4:00pm (CLHS)

Sept. 11 Park Board: 6:00pm

Sept. 12 EDA (Economic Development Authority): 7:30am

Sept. 13 Police Commission: 6:30pm

Sept. 18 Chisago Lakes Joint Sewer Treatment Commission: 5:30pm

Sept. 21 City Council: 7:00pm

Sept. 28 Library Commission: 7:00pm (Chisago City Library)



- 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

Sept. 4 Labor Day



Visit our Meetings, Agendas & Minutes page for more info www.cityoflindstrom.us





Fall Notices & Reminders

Winter Parking Restrictions Begin November 1st

- 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 <u>Lakes Area Police Department</u> for more
 information using their non-emergency number 651-257-0622 or stop in at <u>City Hall</u>.

Street Sweeping

- Fall street sweeping generally starts in September, but could extend into October. Sign up for <u>email notifications</u> or follow us on <u>Facebook</u> for specific dates.
- The street sweeper moves very slow, so please keep a safe distance.



Fire Hydrant Flushing

- Fall hydrant flushing begins in September, but could extend into October. You may experience 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.



Recycling & Disposal Services

There is no official city-wide spring clean up day in Lindström, but we have several services available in the area. 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

Compost Site info is on the last page

Recreational Fires

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 sellman@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. (See Ordinances 93.18, 130.02, 94.02)

Thanks for being a good neighbor!

Firearms & Hiking Safety During Hunting Seasons

It is unlawful to discharge weapons within City Limits (including all City parks and in <u>Allemansrätt Wilderness Park</u>). A weapon includes any firearm, air gun, pellet gun, B.B. gun, bow and arrow, crossbow or slingshot. (<u>Ordinance 130.01</u>)

Please be aware that areas surrounding the City of Lindström and throughout Chisago County may not have such an ordinance. In fact, it is quite common to hear gunfire during hunting seasons in the areas immediately surrounding Lindström.

To ensure your personal safety, keep in mind a few simple things while using trails and parks during the hunting season:

- Be aware of trails that are closed during hunting season. For example, the **Swedish Immigrant Trail** closes during Firearm Deer Season. Check the **DNR website** for exact hunting dates.
- Know the hunting seasons in the region you are recreating. Check the **DNR website** for more information.
- Make yourself (and your dogs) visible. Wearing bright colors, such as orange, is always a good idea, regardless of the current hunting season. A brightly colored bandana or dog apparel for your pet is also a good idea.
- Keep your dogs leashed. Trapping seasons often coincide with hunting seasons, and dogs may be attracted to bait or scents used for trapping.
- Avoid trail and wilderness activities during high use hunting times such as: opening day, weekends, and morning/evening hours. Enjoy the outdoors in the middle of the day & middle of the week instead.

Leaves & Raking

Do not put yard waste, such as leaves, twigs, branches and grass clippings in your trash. Please contact your trash hauler to see if seasonal curb side pick up for yard waste is available, or bring your yard waste to our Area Compost Site (see below). Please also avoid raking or blowing leaves into the street (see "Storm Drain Care" below).



Storm Drain Care

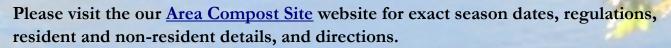
- Residents are urged not to blow leaves, grass, dirt, or other debris into the streets. This material can wash into the catch-basins and storm drains, causing them to become clogged and not function properly.
- This debris can also end up in our lakes, which results in excessive algae growth. To learn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

Thanks for being a good steward of our lakes!

Lakes Area Compost Site Closes Mid-November

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.



Click **HERE** to view our Area Compost Site informational video!



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