

HOLDINGFORD



"Gateway to the Lake Wobegon Trail"



From City Hall February 2020

In the upcoming months, you will be hearing more about the plans for downtown Holdingford. Main street will be having water, sewer, and sidewalk renovations. In coordination with this project, the City and Chamber (Holdingford businesses) will be contracting out to Xcel, Midco, Century Link, and several others to move the electrical and utility lines from main street skylines, to the back alleyways. The last several years, the City has been making large financial improvements to our infrastructure to help buildings and streets last and stay well maintained. The council is hoping this next expenditure will be the last of the major improvements for a while. The city has been using our financial reserves as a way of taking care of these major expenses. While many may ask whether it is really necessary to move the utilities, it is one way that the council feels the City of Holdingford and its businesses attract others to shop, work and live in Holdingford. We want to continue to draw others to Holdingford to keep it growing and thriving.

Safe Routes to School projects will also be slated for this summer. Safety features by the High School, County Road 17 and 3rd Street, for safe crossing of streets will be taken care of; along with a sidewalk by the Wobegon Trail connecting to Holdingford Gas and Groceries. Stay tuned for more!

Thank you for your patience.

Respectfully,

Sue Marstein - Holdingford Mayor

Looking Ahead – Important Dates

- February 14 Valentine's Day
- February 17 City Hall Closed for Presidents' Day
- March 3 Presidential Nomination Primary at City Hall
- March 8 Holdingford Firefighters Relief Association Breakfast at City Hall (8:30 am – 12:30 pm)
- March 9 City Council Meeting

For more community events, please see the Community Calendar at www.holdingfordmn.us/calendar



Holdingford City Clerk's Office Hours:

Monday	8 AM – 4 PM
Tuesday	8 AM – 4 PM
Wednesday	8 AM – 6 PM
Thursday	8 AM – 4 PM
Friday	8 AM – Noon

Mayor's Hours:

Mondays	5:30 – 7 PM
1 st Saturday of the month	8 – 10 AM



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Free Polka Party March 22

The second in a series of three Polka Parties is Sunday, March 22nd. The party features Adam and the Jolly Jammers playing Czech, German and Dutchmen style music.

All parties are from 1- 4:00 p.m. at the Holdingford Legion Club. Dancing and singing is encouraged. Bring your favorite musical instrument to join in on jam sessions. Lunch and beverages available on site.

Mark your calendar for Sunday, April 26 for DyVersiCo playing German and Polish polkas and waltzes.

These parties are sponsored by the City of Holdingford with support by the Holdingford American Legion, Holdingford Area Historical Society and Holdingford Sno-fliers Club.



"This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Central MN Arts Board, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund."



Presidential Nomination Primary on March 3, 2020



For the first time since 1992, Minnesota will hold a Presidential Nomination Primary instead of the caucus straw poll on March 3, 2020. Results of this nomination primary will be binding in determining delegates for both major political parties. For more information go to: <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/>

Local Skating Rink is Open

The public skating rink is located in the softball field this year. This area will allow the rink to be lit up in the evenings. This rink is free and open to all residents. Come enjoy the brisk weather and have fun!!



No Ashes Allowed

A reminder to residents, ashes cannot be placed in trash cans or dumpsters. Even if you believe they are completely cooled off, they are not allowed. It is forbidden by the MN Pollution Control Agency as they cannot identify what was burnt.



NO DUMPING HOUSEHOLD ITEMS ALLOWED!! The city is having issues with people dumping furniture, small appliances, junk, etc. at the maintenance facility in or next to Tom's Refuse containers. This is illegal and not allowed! These containers are for Tom's Refuse use only. Area is under surveillance and will be monitored to prevent dumping. Please be respectful and get rid of garbage properly.

Holdingsford Firefighters Relief Assoc. Breakfast on March 8th

Come support your local fire department through this free will offering fundraiser. Enjoy a hearty breakfast and fellowship with your neighbors and support a good cause. Breakfast is a City Hall 8:30 am - 12:30 pm.



Lion's Club Indoor Fishing Contest on February 23 in St. Anna (1:00 - 3:00 p.m.)



City Reminder

Please update us at City Hall if you have a phone number change/second phone so we have a way to contact you if needed. Also, if you are leaving for an extended period of time (snow-birds) or returning from an extended period away, please let us know for utility billing purposes. We appreciate your assistance. **Thank you!!**

February is American Heart Month

Your Elected Officials

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Student safety

Please be aware of children crossing Highway 17 to shop at the Dollar General Store. Keep our children safe and slow down.



Be Aware of Phone Scams



Please be aware of phone scams from callers stating they are from Social Security, credit card companies, or any entity that may have your social security number or credit card number. These scammers will ask you for your personal information to use for their advantage. **DO NOT GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFORMATION** unless you have initiated the phone call.