## HOLDINGFORD

"Gateway to the Lake Wobegon Trail"



#### **Your Elected Officials**

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#### **Holdingford City Office**

#### **Hours:**

Monday 8:00am - 4:00pm Tuesday 8:00am - 4:00pm Wednesday 8:00 am - 6:00pm Thursday 8:00am - 4:00pm Friday 8:00am - 12:00am

#### Mayor's Hours:

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month 8 – 10 am Friday 8:00am – 11:00am

### January, 2023 From the Mayor

The Clerks at City Hall have been working on getting the word out and introducing the new Utility Bill format, that will start in February. This change was needed, due to the number of postcards, going through the post office equipment, that became damaged or just did not arrive to city residents. The new look to the cards, with the new perforation (tear off) should help the problem and delays and phone calls. Any questions you have with understanding the new format please check with City Hall and Nicky and Kelly will be happy to explain.

The council has put in motion a project that cannot be put off any longer. Our Main Lift Station located along County Road 17, takes most of the waste from the city sewers and sends it on to the Waste Water Treatment plant. It has been taking the brunt of disposal wipes for many years. The inside workings and equipment have become worn down and difficult to replace. The City has brought this to the City residents' attention on numerous occasions, that wipes cannot be flushed down the toilet, they do not deteriorate and the time and wear on the equipment of the lift station has taken its toll. A new Lift Station with modern equipment and better processes for the waste water will be expensive, and the council is looking into funding that is available for the city. Updates to follow.

2023 is just beginning, snowfalls and cold hopefully will pass quickly. Shop local, keep our community strong, thank you!

Respectfully,

Sue Marstein Holdingford Mayor

#### **Looking Ahead - Important Dates**

Next City Council Meeting, February 13th, 2023

City Hall Hours will be changing Effective January 29th to the following: Monday-Thursday 8:00 A.M.—4:30 P.M. Friday 8:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.

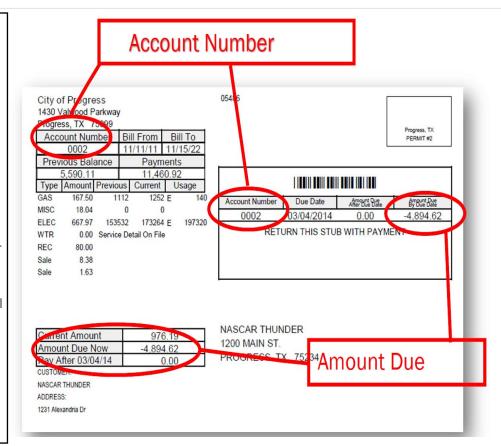
For community events, please see the Community Calendar at <a href="https://www.holdingfordmn.us/calendar">www.holdingfordmn.us/calendar</a>

# Ways to Pay Your City Rill

Did you know there are many options to pay your utility bill? Utility bills are due by the 20th of each month and we appreciate everyone paying on time!

Here are your options:

- Mail your bill to the City at PO Box 69, Holdingford, MN 56340
- 2. Drop it off in the drop box, that is just to the left of the front door at City Hall.
- 3. If you bank with Stearns Bank, drop your payment off with them.
- 4. Pay Online with the "Pay your utility bill online" link on our website holding-fordmn.us
- 5. Enable automatic withdrawals from your bank account. Enrollment for this can be completed at City Hall. Please bring a voided check if you choose this option.





Please help keep snow & ice 3 feet from fire hydrants

Citizens asked to assist our first responders so that fire hydrants can be accessed quickly during emergency situations