

HOLDINGFORD

"Gateway to the Lake Wobegon Trail"



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Holdingford City Office

Hours:

Monday 8:00am – 4:30pm

Tuesday 8:00am – 4:30pm

Wednesday 8:00 am – 4:30pm

Thursday 8:00am – 4:30pm

Friday 8:00am – 11:00am

Mayor's Hours:

1st Saturday of the month 8 – 10 am

Friday 8:00am – 11:00am

From City Hall July 2022

The city has hired Nicky Lahr as Clerk Treasurer. Nicky is also from the Holdingford area, as is Kelly Abfalter our Deputy Clerk. Nicky will be starting the first part of August and it will be nice to have City Hall fully staffed and open full time. Please stop in and welcome the new staff. It will take a bit to get used to City government, but both ladies are excited to learn. Welcome!

Holdingford Daze, was a great success, exciting and fun. A big thank you to the Holdingford Chamber and all organizations and volunteers that helped to put on the community event. Our small-town swells to large numbers for all the activities and it was great to have a safe, fun filled weekend.

As we move into August, political signs and mailings are starting to show up. Here in Holdingford we will have openings for city council positions and also planning and zoning positions. To keep a community strong and growing, we need residents that are involved in decision making positions. Our schools, churches, city government and organizations, all look for new people and participation that brings in new ideas and growth. Please think about what you could do to be a vital part of this great community, become involved.

Have a wonderful summer.

Respectfully,

Looking Ahead – Important Dates

August 8 City Council meeting

August 15 Holdingford Endowment Gulf Outing

August 18 & 19 City Wide Garage Sale

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

Ways to Pay Your City Bill

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:

1. Mail your bill to the City at PO Box 69, Holdingford, MN 56340
2. Drop it off in the drop box (pictured) this is just to the left of the front door. This box is checked regularly.
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 holdingfordmn.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.
6. Stop by City Hall and pay in person.
7. Check with your bank to see if they have an online bill pay option.



Dog Owners

The City has been receiving calls about dogs roaming free in town and leaving messes in peoples yards. Our ordinance states that it shall be unlawful for pets to run at large. All dogs must be in their yards or on a leash when out of the yard. Please be respectful and keep your pets in your yard, or on a leash when taking them out of the yard.



Watch for Bicycles!

With nice weather, be sure to watch for bicyclists. There are so many great reasons to ride your bike, it offers fun, freedom and exercise and it's good for the environment. We want kids and families to ride their bikes as much as possible.



Pump Sump Pumps Outside

That time of year is here again. If you have a sump in your home, please be sure the water is being pumped outside and not down the sanitary sewer system. It is against our ordinances to pump sump water into the sanitary sewer system. If you are not sure where your sump is pumping to, please call City Hall at (320) 746-2966 and we will have one of the maintenance staff come out to check free of charge.



Leaf and Lawn Pick up

Pick up is the first Friday of each month beginning in April and runs through November (weather permitting). Accepted items: Bagged leaves, lawn clippings and bundled sticks up to 4 feet long and no larger than 1 inch in diameter.

NOTE: BURNING LEAVES WITHIN CITY LIMITS IS PROHIBITED!



HAZARDOUS WASTE PICKUP DATE/TIME/PLACE:

Wednesday, August 10th: 10 am – Noon St. Stephen – City/Fire Hall

Items accepted: Paints, Automotive & Garden Chemicals, Fluorescent Bulbs, Fuels, Cleaners, Aerosols, Adhesives, Mercury

<http://co.stearns.mn.us/Environment/RecyclingandWasteDisposal/HHWMobileUnit>