# **HOLDINGFORD**

"Gateway to the Lake Wobegon Trail"





### From City Hall May 2020

Covid-19 has turned normal everyday life into something we have never experienced before. Hang in there! Watching the news gives you a lot of information, but it also can give you more worries. If you have questions that the city can help answer, with please contact us.

We have Hero's amongst us, the businesses that are open, the owners and employees that are showing up to work every day. The health workers, daycare providers and Volunteer Fire and Rescue people that are in our community. To all of you that are continuing your everyday jobs and those helping neighbors and friends, from school personnel and others, the list goes on ... Thank you does not say enough for how much you risk... our thoughts, prayers, and our gratitude for what you do for our Community!

Our Holdingford Daze event has not been canceled as of this printing. The Chamber is moving forward as planned and a decision will be reached in early June. The Helping Hands Raffle will be taking place as normal, set for Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup>, the Chamber is also selling their fundraiser raffle chances for Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. If you can help these organizations by buying tickets, they will be sold at local businesses.

June 13<sup>th</sup> is Clean-Up Day - a perfect time to do that garage or basement clean up. Please take advantage of this service, hours are 9-12 noon. Yes, you must pay for some items, but the cost is minimal and getting it out of your yard is a relief. ©

Remember, if you don't feel well, stay home and contact your doctor. If you go out, wash your hands or sanitize when you come home. Don't touch your face. Cover your mouth when you cough. Stay safe to all!

Respectfully,

Sue Marstein - Holdingford Mayor

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

- May 18 Special Council Meeting to approve SRTS bids (6:00 pm)(Virtual meeting)
- May 25 City Hall Closed for Memorial Day
- June 8 City Council Meeting at 7:00 pm
- June 13 Citywide Clean-up Day (9 noon)

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<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month 8 – 10 AM



# CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2020







# **HUSKERS STRONG!!**





# Scoop the Poop, Clean Up Pet Waste

Please be a responsible pet owner. When walking your dog, please be sure they are on a leash and clean up after them. Parasites such as roundworms and hookworms from dog waste are transmittable to other dogs and humans. Our ordinance requires owners to



clean up after their dogs on their property. a neighbor's property or public property and disposing of the feces in a sanitary manner.

# Corona Virus (COVID 19) Update

The spread of COVID 19 and actions to reduce its spread are on everyone's mind at this time. We are providing you with some useful links to use for reliable facts regarding this illness. As changes are taking place daily, please check these sites regularly:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/index.html;

https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/i ndex.html

The City of Holdingford is working to keep citizens as safe and healthy as possible by following guidelines from the Federal and State government. We hope you are also trying to follow mandates and are staying safe.

Please try to help local businesses with your support at this time. They are struggling like everyone else and need your support so they will still be here after this pandemic is over.

Keep your distance when around others, wash your hands, stay home as much as possible (especially if you are feeling ill), check up on neighbors who are alone or are unable to get out. We will get through this!!

### **Mayor**

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**Your Elected Officials** 

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### Citywide Clean-Up Day June 13th 9 a.m. to Noon

Dumpsters will be located at the Historical Museum, with city employees on hand to help unload. For a list of items accepted, see the Holdingford City website under announcements. This



is for city residents only. No hazardous materials will be accepted. Holding Township clean-up to be announced.

# 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!!

Wishing you a safe and happy Memorial Day. Take time to be thankful for those who served.



### Please Pump Sump Pumps Outside

That time of year is coming around 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 guys come out to check free of charge.

# City Compost Site



You may pick up compost for your gardens and landscaping needs free of charge. The Holdingford City Compost Site is located by the Waste Water Treatment Plant (behind the History Museum and past the maintenance garage) on the North side of town. There is a dumpster available for brush and branches (no tree trunks). When dropping off leaves, brush and grass clippings, please try to separate them and make sure they are free from trash.