

## From City Hall - Mayors Report August 2015

If you like garage sales, our city wide sales this last weekend must have been like heaven to the garage sale enthusiast, certainly a variety of items and well attended. If you like hot weather, we had plenty of that too, this week should be a welcome break from that heat and humidity.

I am sorry to say, the annual Holdingford Area Community Picnic has been discontinued. But on a bright note, Holdingford Hometown Happenings will be having their Farm and Western Night, Friday August 21. Main Street will be blocked off after 4:00 pm to get ready for The Gene Ostendorf Band, who will be playing from 5-8 pm. Food specials, kids games, hay rides with root beer floats and much more will take place. The Commercial Club will be having their \$100.00 raffle at The Muni (Holdingford Liquor Store) at 9 pm. Tickets are still available at area businesses. Don't miss your chance to win a Polaris Ranger. Guns and money are also on the raffle! Fun for all ages! Come support your area businesses.

August is budget time. It's the time of year City Council members and employees prioritize our needs with the amount of dollars we are expected to receive. We need to budget in August because we must certify our levy to the County by September 15. Our Annual Audit report was presented by Molly Thompson of Schlenner Wenner & Co. at last Mondays Council Meeting. The purpose of the audit is to determine if the City has complied with Minnesota laws and regulations. The financial statements give the council a broad picture of how our different departments are running and where we are sitting financially. The council will be going over the recommendations of the accountants to determine if changes need to take place.

**REMEMBER** –the Household Hazardous Waste Collection is this Saturday, August 22 from 8-11 am at the High School South Parking lot. Left over paints, cleaners, sealers, pool chemicals, roofing tar, garden chemicals, fluorescent bulbs, aerosol, etc... will be collected at **NO CHARGE**.

Mayor's Hours: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month 8-10 am, 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month 5:30–7 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Mayor Sue Marstein