HOLDINGFORD

"Gateway to the Lake Wobegon Trail"



From City Hall, November 2017

Bad weather prolonged the paving last month, but thankfully the roadwork on County Road 9 and the city alleys behind main street businesses are finally finished. They look and drive great. Main Street, is the next in line to be redone, main street is a "County road" and will be the final project to get our Holdingford roads in good order. Sad to say the County has marked that improvement for Main street to 2020, I will continue to ask that its repaving, be moved up, but we will have to put up with the pot holes and the sad shape it is in for a while longer.

Recently the St. Cloud Times ran an article about the Minnesota Municipal Liquor Stores see drop in profits, record sales. While the report gave no explanation for the decreasing profits, municipal liquor stores have felt increasing competition in recent years. Holdingford ranked 118 out of 195 cities statewide for net profits. That may not be great, but we did not lose money, we did make money at the Muni (Holdingford Municipal Liquor Store). It takes the community, and people that buy locally that keeps money in town. Thank you for spending money at the Muni and at the other Holdingford businesses, it helps all of us. Keep it up and ask your friends to do it also!

Winter reminders, parking restrictions are in effect at 1/10" inch of snowfall. The city will be clearing sidewalks at the same time as we plow streets after a snowfall. Residents are asked to maintain the sidewalks and keep them clear of drifting or blowing snow or ice, afterwards. Pedestrians need a safe place to walk during the winter month when roads are slippery. Thank you for helping us keep our streets as safe as we can by keeping sidewalks available for pedestrians. Fire hydrants freed from snow help the Fire Department by saving time in emergency situations in which the fire hydrant is needed. If you have a hydrant on your property please keep it clear of snow.

Thank you, Respectfully

Sue Marstein City of Holdingford Mayor.

Looking Ahead – Important Dates

- November 23-24 Thanksgiving –Offices closed
- December 8 Santa Day
- December 11 Truth in Taxation public hearing and 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 CLOSED

Mayor's Hours:

Mondays 5:30-7:00 PM

 1^{st} Saturday of the month 8 - 10 AM

City of Holdingford

420 Main Street, PO Box 69, Minnesota 56340

City Office: 320-746-2966

www.holdingfordmn.us clerk@holdingfordmn.us



Dog Licensing

Thank you for being a responsible pet owner and licensing your pet. The City of Holdingford requires that all dogs be licensed by the city. Dog licenses are issued for a two year period. Current dog licenses expire December 31, 2017. Dog licenses can be obtained at City Hall. <u>Please bring current proof of rabies vaccination</u>. Questions may be directed to 320-746-2966.

Fees

\$10 Two Year Tag

\$40 Non-Neutered/Spayed dog with two-year tag

\$50 Reclaiming Dog from Tri-County Humane Society

\$20 Reclaiming Dog from city worker

\$75 Penalty for Dog with no license.

Christmas in Holdingford

- * Friday, December 8, 2017, 4:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.
- * Santa will be at the Holdingford American Legion 4:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.
- * Horse drawn sleigh rides 5:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.
- * Tree lighting and caroling at The Wobegon Trailhead Garden at 6:30 P.M.
- * Live Nativity in front of the Holdingford City Hall 5:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.
- * Refreshments will also be available at the Holdingford City Hall.

If you see vandalism in the City of Holdingford please call the sheriff's non-emergency line at 251-4240.



Parking Restrictions went into effect November 1st. No parking on public streets between the hours of 2am – 6am during or after any snowfall of 1/10" or more until after the snow has been cleared.

Happy Thanksgiving!