City of Nevis



## City Council Meeting dates: April 11th, May 9th, and June 13th

City Administration Offices, P.O. Box 108, 104 Main Street, Nevis, MN 56467, (218) 652-3866

#### Council Corner

Summer is just around the corner. It has been a long winter and all of us are ready to be out and about again enjoying our summer weather, our lakes, trails, and parks in the area. Our Business and Civic

Organization here in Nevis does a fantastic job of bringing so many active, entertaining, and fun events to town. It feels so great for us all to gather and enjoy the events and the company! Please watch the signs around town, the Northwood's Press, and Facebook to find out more information on all the fun we can have, all the while raising awareness for our businesses and community.

This last year has been another great one for our community with so many moments to be excited about. We can all be proud to be a part of this caring and extremely generous community! This is small town living at its finest. We can all be "Nevis Proud". Have a wonderful, safe, fun, family and friend filled spring and summer!!! Jeanne Thompson

#### Jeanne Thompson Mayor of Nevis

#### The Muni

We are headed into spring. We are looking forward to opening back up the beer garden. We have plenty of staff going into it and a lot of fun planned. Next month we will be implementing a new POS in the bar and that will make life a lot easier for the staff. Busy time is upon us and we are ready. Erin Rhoades Liquor Store Manager

# How can YOU Support our Local Businesses?

Continue to shop, dine, and look for services within the City of Nevis limits! Check out the Nevis Chamber of Commerce for a listing.



#### Desk of the Administrator Administration/Planning and Zoning

With spring right around the corner, we are all thinking of planting, landscaping, etc. Please do not dig until you have called Gopher One to come out and mark your lines.

Thinking of remodeling, siding, new windows, or adding on? Don't forget to stop by the city office for your building permits, fencing permits, etc.

# Why do I need a Building Permit?

Permits ensure that Building codes are met. Codes are intended to protect the public to set a minimum standard for the building design. They anticipate the everyday needs of the occupants, as well as emergency procedures in case something goes wrong, like a fire. Skipping a permit may cost you. If building inspectors discover work was completed without a permit, the homeowner and/or contractor can be fined. When this occurs, work that has been finished may have to be redone to meet the Building Code. Unauthorized work may also be discovered when future buyers hire an inspector who may research past improvements to verify permits have been pulled. In the end, the homeowner risks paying fines and having problems selling their home if a building permit has not been filed and approved.

#### **Property Maintenance Reminders**

#### Grass and Weeds:

All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of 8 inches. All noxious weeds shall be prohibited.

### **Property Condition:**

All exterior surfaces shall be protected from the elements and decay by painting, staining, or other protective treatments. Peeling, flaking and chipped paint shall be eliminated and surface repainted.

#### **Fence Condition:**

Wood fences should be painted or stained to prevent rot or deterioration. Broken, rotted, or dangerous fences should either be properly fixed, replaced, or removed.

### Address:

Make sure all address numbers are posted and visible from the street. These numbers shall contrast the background, and shall be no smaller than 4 inches in height.

Maintaining property maintenance throughout your community is key to keeping all current and prospective residents happy.

## Ordinance Reminder:

Ordinance #38: Regulating the Operation and Use of Snowmobiles, All-Terrain Vehicles, Go-Carts, Motorized Dirt Bikes and Neighborhood Electric Vehicles for the City of Nevis. When operating one of these vehicles, please make sure you are riding on the shoulder of the road, no rate of speed greater than 20 miles per hour on the city streets, no driving in a careless or reckless manner, no unusual noise as to disturb or interfere with the peace and quiet of others, all vehicles shall be licensed as required by State Statutes, the driver needs to be in possession of a valid Driver's License (not required for snowmobiles), and fully complying with the provisions set for by Minnesota State Statutes.

For a complete Ordinance listing, please refer to our City of Nevis Website.

#### PUBLIC WORKS

Please ensure that your Meter Reader and Meter are uncovered, and available for public works to read. Some residents have taken the meter reader off when getting new siding, and haven't re-placed it. When this



happens, our employees are unable to read your meter, The city office then averages your water usage in order to create a bill.

**Hydrant Flushing:** the city of Nevis will begin its spring Hydrant Flushing Operation throughout the City on April 26, 27, 28. Hydrant flushing is necessary to clean and maintain the water distribution system. During the flushing period, water can become discolored. If this occurs, run your cold water tap for a few minutes until the water clears. If this does not correct the problem, wait approximately one (1) hour and flush the cold water again. Do not run your hot water until the cold water tap has cleared. This discoloration is not hazardous for human consumption; however, clothing can become stained during laundering.