



### **Water/Sewer Project**

Phase one of our Water/Sewer Project is done! This summer Phase 2 will begin with the construction of the new water treatment plant to further improve the water quality to the residents of Onamia! The water plant will be located in Onamia City Park near the two municipal wells. One of the wells is also being replaced to avoid some of the high concentrations of ammonia found in the water from it. While the ammonia isn't at a high enough level to cause a health concern, and the water is 100% safe to use, that well is no longer used because of the stronger taste and smell associated with it. Watch for more details soon.

### **Pet Reminder**

Just a reminder: When your pets are outdoors, they need to be fenced or chained. When walking your pet, they need to be on a leash or under control with an electronic collar. Pets running loose may be impounded, resulting in fines, impound fees and boarding costs. Finally, you are responsible to pick up after your pet when they use someone else's yard/sidewalk as a restroom. Let's keep our pets safe and our neighbors happy.

### **Spring Clean Up**

Spring is here! Let the clean-up begin!! City Maintenance will be doing some street sweeping in May. Please watch for them and move your vehicle off the street until your street is done. Thanks

When you rake and clean your yard, bagged leaves and bundled branches/sticks can be placed at the curb for pickup by the city workers. Please **remove the trash and garbage** before bagging the leaves. Grass clippings and leaves can be left in the fenced area to the west of the creamery building. Branches and brush can be hauled to the city dump site located 1.5 miles west of Onamia. Remember to **remove any trash or garbage** before dumping it. If you have questions about what to dump, call the city shop/maintenance dept.

### **Klondike Korner Park**

Klondike Korner Park is starting to bloom!!! This park is a great asset to our downtown. However, it

is in need of regular maintenance; planting, weeding and mulching. If you are interested in helping contact council member Joe Boeringa at 532-4449.

### **Onamia Days 202 "Full Steam Ahead"**

"Full Steam Ahead" is the theme for Onamia Days June 10-12. The Onamia Area Civic Association is busy making plans and looking for volunteers to help run events. Contact Marge Agnew to volunteer. The Grand Marshals will be Bill & Julie Hill. The Hometown Hero will be MN Teacher of the Year Sarah Lancaster. Attached is a preliminary schedule of events. There are some new things planned this year. Check the notes on the back of the schedule for more information.

This year the City of Onamia applied for and was awarded a grant from the East Central Regional Arts Council & the Cultural Heritage Fund to cover the cost of the street dance music and puppet show.

Onamia Days buttons will go on sale later this week at local businesses. They give you a chance to win some fabulous prizes during the weekend. Buttons are not required to attend the Street Dances on Friday and Saturday nights. Discount Carnival Ride Tickets will also be on sale from May 20 through June 9<sup>th</sup> at Onamia Drug, both Woodlands Bank locations and Agnew Hardware Hank.

### **July 3<sup>rd</sup> Celebration**

Mark your calendar for the 2022 July 3<sup>rd</sup> Celebration. There will be food stands and beverages, live music by Bourbon Creek, a cash raffle and of course FIREWORKS!! There will be no cover charge for the street dance. The East Central Regional Arts Council Grant is covering this cost also. Raffle tickets to pay for the Fireworks are on sale from Civic Members and local businesses.

### **Depot Library**

The Onamia Depot Library is currently open on Tuesdays from 11am to 3pm and Thursdays from 2pm to 5pm. Onamia Depot Library has a collection of Books, DVD, and other materials that



can be checked out. They also have a selection of read and return books that do not need to be "Checked out". Computers are also available for use. East Central Regional Library card holders can order books either on line or by phone with ECRL and they can be picked up at the Depot Library. If you do not have a library card, call ECRL at 763 689-7390 to apply. Please return any materials you have by placing them in the drop box inside or outside of the library.

Free Wi-Fi is available at the Depot Library and can be used at any time. The password is on the front door.

The Depot Library staff and volunteers are working on several programs and a book sale. Check the "Upcoming Events" in this newsletter and watch for more programs and details.

### **Election 2022**

This year's General Election is on Tuesday, November 8. The Mayor's office and two City Council positions will be on the ballot. Council members serve for 4 years and the mayor for 2 years. Anyone interested in running for office should complete the application at the city clerk's office and pay the \$2.00 filing fee between August 2 and August 16, 2022.

The Primary election is on August 9. Voters will choose the DFL or Republican nominees for U.S. Representative, Governor & Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, Attorney General State Senator and State Representative.

Voting Poles are open from 7 am to 8 pm on Primary and Election Day. If you have moved here since the last election you can register the day of voting with proof of residency.

### **Paperless Utility Billing**

The computer software used to print your monthly water bill also has the ability to send it to you via e-mail. If you are interested in receiving your monthly water bill via e-mail, send your email address with your next payment or contact the Utility Billing Clerk. She can be reached via at 532-3311 or e-mail at [cityhall@mlecmn.net](mailto:cityhall@mlecmn.net)

### **Need Police Assistance?**

If you have an emergency, CALL 911. They will send an Onamia Police Officer if available or a County Deputy. If you need police assistance **immediately** and it's not an emergency, Call 888-860-8250 and an Onamia Police Officer (if on duty) or County Deputy will be sent to you. This is the quickest, most efficient way to get an officer to help you.

If you are not in a hurry and just want to talk with one of our officers call 532-3131 and leave a message. Please do not call the City Clerk or private cellphones. Thank you

### **Upcoming Events:**

- May 21: Library Book & Bake Sale 10am - 2pm  
30: Memorial Day (City office is closed)
- June 8: City Council Meeting 6 pm  
10-12: Onamia Days  
19: Father's Day
- July 3: July 3<sup>rd</sup> Celebration (watch for signs)  
4: Independence Day (City office is closed)  
12: Dementia Friends Program 10 – 11:30 am  
at the Depot Library presented by Family Pathways  
13: City Council Meeting 6 pm
- Aug 9: Primary Elections 7am to 8pm  
10: City Council Meeting 6 pm

### **Yes, We Are Open!**

- City Hall – Mon – Fri 8am to 4pm 532-3311
- Police Dept. – 532-3131
- Maintenance Dept. – 532-5322
- Library Link – Tues 11am - 3pm  
Thurs. 2pm- 5pm  
Phone – 532-5210

City Parks – Daily until 30 minutes after sunset.

### **Your City Council:**

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