



## Fall Leaf Pickup Dates

City refuse haulers annually provide spring and fall curbside leaf pickup dates along their regular route at no cost to residents. Private refuse haulers will pick up leaves and yard waste on **Tuesday, October 23 and Tuesday, October 30**. Residents are encouraged to set out their bagged leaves (no brush) early in the morning on those days. As a reminder, City ordinance prohibits the burning of leaves or grass clippings. Also, it is a violation of City ordinance to put leaves from your yard into the street. Disposal at a proper compost facility, backyard composting, or mulching of leaves and clippings is recommended. **IMPORTANT! Leaves must be bagged in compostable bags only, no other bags may be accepted.** Residents in the Twin Cities area who bag their yard waste are required by state law to put their waste out for pickup in compostable bags – either paper (kraft) bags or compostable plastic bags. Most grocery, hardware and home improvement stores now carry compostable bags.



## Hydrant flushing

The Public Works Department will be flushing hydrants **October 15 through October 18**. You may notice discoloration and rust particles in your water during this process. If you notice discoloration, letting your faucet run for a short time should clear your water lines. Wait to wash light clothing until you notice the water has cleared. Should you have any questions, please call Public Works at 952.476.2855.



## STREET SWEEPING

Street sweeping in both spring and fall helps keep our neighborhoods clean and reduces pollutants in stormwater runoff to protect our waterways. Long Lake fall street sweeping is scheduled to take place during the week of **October 22 through October 26**.

## REMINDER: OVERNIGHT PARKING ON CITY STREETS IS not permitted

No parking is allowed on any street in the City of Long Lake between the hours of 2:00 am and 6:00 am - signage notifying residents of this year-round parking restriction is posted at all major roadway entrances to Long Lake. Parking regulations are enforced by the Wayzata Police Department.

This restriction is important to assure clear access at all times of day for emergency vehicles, and for maintenance operations such as snow/ice removal or infrastructure repairs.

Temporary exceptions may be made to allow on-street overnight parking in the event of driveway resurfacing or other brief special circumstances. For more information or to request permission to temporarily park a vehicle on-street overnight, please contact City staff at 952.473.6961 x1.

## Stormwater best management practices: plant trees!

Make plans to plant a tree (or ten!) in your yard this fall to improve your local habitat. Trees are both beautiful and functional. They shade your house from scorching sun in the summer and block it from icy winds in the winter. **A mature tree canopy can intercept 1,600 gallons of rainwater per year;** this is stormwater that may otherwise run off of roofs and streets, causing pollution to local water bodies. Trees improve air quality by catching dust in the air and provide valuable habitat for birds and other wildlife.

When selecting trees for your yard, it is best to plant a variety of natives to prevent the spread of disease. By interspersing conifers and deciduous trees, you will ensure that your landscape is verdant throughout the year. Choose a fruiting tree, such as a chokecherry or plum, to attract birds and maybe even give yourself a canning project for future fall seasons.

Contact a local nursery/garden center for tree sales and planting information.

## LONG LAKE 2013 BUDGET UPDATE

The Long Lake City Council approved a proposed 2013 General Fund budget and preliminary payable 2013 property tax levy at the September 4, 2012 regular meeting. The proposed budget of \$1,410,450 reflects a \$59,482, or 4.4% increase over the adopted 2012 budget. The budget reflects revenue increases in liquor license fees, fire capital equipment contract customer reimbursements, and reduced investment interest earnings. The proposed 2013 budget is supported by a preliminary payable property tax levy of \$1,023,270 which represents a \$15,708 or 1.56% increase over the certified payable 2012 levy.

Other items being discussed in conjunction with the 2013 budget process included a proposed Brimhall / Tamarack Avenues Street Reconstruction Project; the purchase of a replacement Fire Chief command vehicle; the renovation of the Watertown Road lift station; and a decrease in 2013 wastewater treatment costs from the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services Division (MCES) of \$51,867 (26.6%) that will result in a sanitary sewer rate decrease recommendation in the neighborhood of 10%.

## Public Hearing TO DISCUSS Final 2013 Budget AND LEVY Adoption

A public hearing has been scheduled to discuss the proposed 2013 levy and budget in conjunction with the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on Tuesday, December 4, 2012 at 6:30 pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Concerning the proposed 2013 General Fund budget, 88% of revenues come from property taxes (59%) and fire protection charges for service (29%); while 60% of expenditures are in the public safety areas of Police (21%) and Fire (39%).



## MINNESOTA STATE GENERAL ELECTION

The Minnesota State General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2012. As a resident of the City of Long Lake, your voting location will be Long

Lake City Hall located at 450 Virginia Avenue. Voting begins at 7:00 am on Election Day and ends at 8:00 pm. A link to view a sample copy of the General Election ballot that will be voted in Long Lake on Election Day is available online at [www.longlakemn.gov](http://www.longlakemn.gov).

### City of Long Lake offices on the ballot

The City of Long Lake will be conducting a municipal election in conjunction with the State General Election for the purpose of electing the office of Mayor for a two-year term; and two Council Member seats for four-year terms. Candidates for these city offices are listed below in the order they will appear on the ballot.

Beginning Monday, October 8, the Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission (LMCC) will be broadcasting pre-recorded candidate statements by City candidates for office on Channel 21 and on their website at [www.lmcc-tv.org](http://www.lmcc-tv.org).

*Candidate for Mayor* - Tim M Hultmann

*Candidates for Council Member (2 Seats)* - Kurt W. Kaminski, Roger Adams, Liz Olson

### Election day voter registration

If you are not already a registered voter by the time Election Day arrives, you may register to vote on Election Day by completing a Voter Registration Application and providing election judges with certain acceptable forms of identification to prove your eligibility:

- \* A valid MN driver's license, MN ID card, or Tribal ID with your current Long Lake address (or receipt for renewal of the license/ID with your existing ID).
- \* One of the following documents that contains your name and photo - MN driver's license or ID card with a previous address, US passport, US military ID card or student ID from a Minnesota college - AND a utility bill with a due date within 30 days of the election that contains your name and current address.
- \* Another registered voter living in the precinct who will come to the polling place with you to vouch for your residency.

Please contact Jeanette at 952.473.6961 x1 for additional voter registration or eligibility information.

### ABSENTEE VOTING

Absentee voting is available to persons who will be unable to come to the polling place on Election Day due to illness or disability, absence from the precinct, religious observances, service as an Election Judge in another precinct, or eligible emergency declared by the governor or quarantine declared by federal or state government. Absentee ballot application forms and more information are available online at [www.longlakemn.gov](http://www.longlakemn.gov). Please submit completed applications per the instructions on page 2 of the form as soon as possible to allow adequate time for mail delivery.



### A FEW WORDS ABOUT CAMPAIGN SIGNS

Political campaign signs can be displayed until 10 days following the General Election. Per Minnesota state law, there is no limit to

the number of campaign signs you may have on your property; however, political campaign signs may be placed only on private property with the property owner's permission. All signs must be freestanding - please do not attach anything to signs (i.e. balloons, banners, or any moving devices). Signs may not be attached to trees, poles, fences utility poles/boxes, or any other sign.

**PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY** - Signs cannot be placed in, on or over any portion of a City, county or state road, sidewalk or right-of-way. For Long Lake city streets, this means signs must be placed 11 to 15 feet back from any street curb. Remember, county roads and state highways have a much wider right-of-way.

### Long Lake fire department FIRE PREVENTION OPEN HOUSE



Don't miss the annual Long Lake Fire Department Fire Prevention Open House on Saturday, October 13, 2012 from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm at the Long Lake Fire Station, 340 Willow Drive.

In past years this event has been known as Kids Day ... while there will still be lots of activities for the kids to enjoy, we invite the whole community to be a part of this fun event! There will be a life safety trailer, car fire simulation, water spray house, fire truck rides, face painting, a bounce house, dunk tank, silent auction, snacks/refreshments, a bonfire, and live music. North Memorial Ambulance, Hennepin County Water Patrol, Wayzata and Orono Police Departments, and Air Care Helicopter will also be on site.

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