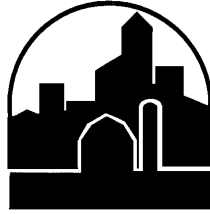


CITY OF WINDOM

NEWS & NOTES

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May 10, 2022

Department Head Meeting Highlights

- City Facilities Tour – May 18th – 5 pm Start
- MMUA Evaluation – Safety Instructor Reminder
- City Employee Appreciation Event – July 15th – Windom Country Club
- Wellness Bio-screening will be June 28 & July 19 in City Hall, Council Chamber from 7 – 10 am.

Activities & Project Updates

- **Arena** – Firefighter’s Dance went well. Footing prep this week for horse show at end of May.
- **Community Center** – Concert this weekend & Wedding next weekend. Blood mobile visit and graduation parties upcoming. ALC school will do graduation ceremony at Community Center.
- **Telecom** – Tim Fjeld is leaving for another job. Still need cable tech.
- **Liquor** – Sales picking up as weather gets nice. Working on the possibility of having an on-line sales app for purchases and curb-side pick-up.
- **Water\Wastewater** – Empire back in town to do sewer jetting. WET test passed so going out of TRE protocol. Hydrant flushing this week. Well #8 had an issue this weekend, but got repaired.
- **Police** – Worked with Chamber and Street Dept to get Riverfest Parade route set. Normal busy.
- **Economic Development Authority** – Southwest MN Housing Partnership looking for a project site in Windom. Cemstone closing on May 13th maybe delayed due to title issues. Subway doing research on a new site. Working with Shopko owners on a possible redevelopment. Contacting grocery store prospects. Restaurant prospect looked at Windom and staff following up.
- **Library** – Council approved advertising for a new FT Library Director. Summer reading program starting May 31st. Doing an activity with Chamber for 3rd Thursdays on May 19.
- **Electric** – Fuel tank replacement project nearly done, one change order needed for time extension. Hylife line done and target date for energizing is June 15th. New LED lights at Volleyball Court will do something for use only by league. Kwik Trip duct is in and switch set.
- **Building\Zoning** – Planning Commission tonight to work on minor subdivision and parking variance for new retail store by Shopko and Guardian Inn. Plans for Headwaters’ apartments have been submitted.

- **Streets & Parks** – Restrooms are open. Crew doing mastic work and tree planting will be May 16-18. Manhole repair work also underway throughout town.
- **City Hall Office** – Further will convert to WEX will be the new administrator for VEBA, HSA and flex benefits in September. Possible hire for the PT Admin Assistant position and two intern applications.
- **Recreation** – A lot of kids signed up for programs. Field scheduling will be very tight and conflicts possible. Shelter rentals also increasing and with the new shelters under construction this year people are being referred to Kastle Kingdom shelter.
- **Pool** – Prep work to start soon and crew will do painting this year. Paint costs are up.

CITY COUNCIL – May 17, 2022 at 6:30 pm

The upcoming City Council meeting will include these items:

1. Planning Commission – Minor Subdivision and Variance
2. Street Closure Requests – Multiple Events
3. Electric Dept – Change Order Request – Fuel Tank
4. Personnel Items
 - a. PT Office Admin Assistant
 - b. Park & Recreation Seasonal Hiring – Pool & Rec
5. Mayor Appointments
 - a. Hospital Board Appointment
6. Old Business: City Facilities Tour – May 19th

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