

**CITY OF WINDOM**  
**NEWS & NOTES**  
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**144TH EDITION**

**MAY 28, 2024**

**Department Head Meeting Highlights –**

- “Old” County Public Works Site\Facility – City Use?
- Website Training & Future Website Conversion Recorded for Use
- MN DOT Open House – Highway 60 – June 4<sup>th</sup> @ Windom Community Center
- Dept Head Date Change – June 11<sup>th</sup> MOVE to June 13<sup>th</sup>
- City Council Agenda Review
- Department Updates

**Activities & Project Updates**

- **Arena** – Setting up stalls and finishing sand prep for rink. Horse show this upcoming weekend.
- **Community Center** – Held a number of graduation parties and one birthday party. MN DOT open house June 4<sup>th</sup> followed by Council meeting.
- **Telecom** – Medallion hunt for Riverfest will start next week. Generator at NOC now working after repair. Lightening damage in town due to recent storms.
- **Liquor** – Chamber Coffee at the Liquor Store went well with about 10 people attending. Will host a Grand Re-opening June 4-5. Sign installation scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **Water\Wastewater** – Pool pump repaired. Will meeting with PIP to discuss water and sewer. Water plant electrical issue resolved.
- **Police** – Two applicants being recommended for hiring at June 4<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.
- **Economic Development Authority** – Have another façade improvement project pending. Interest in the RLF with a couple jobs created. Some more interest in the residential tax abatement program. MN DOT Carbon grant application for the traffic lights is due for review June 3-4<sup>th</sup> then goes to MN DOT Headquarters.
- **Library** – Today (May 28<sup>th</sup>) is a visiting author event. Will do fine free week during Riverfest.
- **Electric** – Final payment on Truck Garage being processed. Generator plant has exterior steel and roof work being done with placement of the radiators. Two new residential services installed and continuing to work on new County Shop service.
- **Building\Zoning** – Several new permits for decks, roofing and a fence pending. A variance application for a garage to be constructed. Code Ordinance revision to update language on short-term rentals.

- **Streets & Parks** – Crew continuing to patch streets and do painting, but rain makes some days difficult. A number of grass mowing complaints.
- **City Hall Office** – Finishing prep for June 3<sup>rd</sup> start. Wellness program form being completed for 2024. Working on City Hall staffing discussions.
- **Recreation** – Working on rolling out programs\scheduling.
- **Pool** – Water department fixed pump. Painting basin about done. High water table pushing ground water up through the drains due to leaks in the pipes.
- **Ambulance** – One new EMT started and then quit within a week. One more EMT will join when testing is complete. Recognition event for Kim Powers and Tim Hacker will be June 20<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm at the Emergency Services Facility. State funds awarded to rural ambulance services could provide funds to Windom.

## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING (6:30 PM) – June 4, 2024 – NOTE: COMMUNITY CENTER**

The upcoming City Council meeting will include these items:

1. Call to Order
2. Minutes, Licenses and Regular Bills
3. Public Hearing – MN DOT – Highway 60 Proposal
4. Airport – 2024 Maintenance Project
5. Resolution Designating 2024 Filing Period for City Election
6. Personnel
  - a. Police Officer
  - b. Seasonal Employees (TBD)
7. Contractor Payments & Change Orders
8. New Business
9. Old Business
10. Council Comments

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