

# HOLDINGFORD

*“Gateway to the  
Lake Wobegon Trail”*



From City Hall, April 2018

Snow... go away. April usually is wet with rain, not inches and inches of snow. The council has been working on changes to our snow policy, due to complaints we have had in the last few weeks. With more residents having snowplows on trucks, rangers and 4 wheelers, we are seeing snow piles where they don't belong and that can cause safety concerns. Piles are too close to roadways, being put on other peoples' property and causing visibility problems. This spring, snow piles should melt fairly quickly, but if the city needs to move snow piles, we will be charging residents for the labor involved. Make sure the snow that you are piling up is on your property and far enough off the roadway.

Disposable wipes continue to be a costly problem for the city, which also means costly for you as taxpayers. Lift station impellers have been pulled to be balanced to help extend the life of the bearings/ pumps. The numerous times that we have had to pull the pumps to clear them of wipes means the threads in the volutes have stripped out, also more expense. We continue to ask that you NOT flush the wipes down your toilets into our sewer system. Continued expenses may have us looking at raising sewer rates.

The City has been working on an undertaking to annex property into the city. What will that mean for Holdingford? It may not happen right away, but single-family housing and new businesses will be a start for growth and opportunities that will help the city and the community. The council will keep you updated on the project as it develops.

Respectfully,

Sue Marstein Mayor of Holdingford

## Looking Ahead – Important Dates

- May 4 – Lawn and Leaf Curb-Side Pickup Begins
- May 5 – Holdingford City Wide Cleanup 9 AM - Noon/  
Holdingford Cares day
- May 12 – Wobegon Marathon – 7am – High School
- May 14 – Next City Council Meeting

For more community events, please see the Community Calendar at [www.holdingfordmn.us/calendar](http://www.holdingfordmn.us/calendar).

## Holdingford City Clerk's Office Hours:

Monday	8 AM – 4 PM
Tuesday	8 AM – 4 PM
Wednesday	8 AM – 6 PM
Thursday	8 AM – 4 PM
Friday	8 AM – Noon

## Mayor's Hours:

Mondays 5:30-7:00 PM  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month 8 – 10 AM

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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Holdingford Cares Day/City-Wide Cleanup Saturday May 5, 2017

Dumpsters will be at the Historical Museum 9 AM – Noon  
City Employees will be on hand to help unload items.  
For more information on what is accepted, please see our  
webpage ([www.holdingfordmn.us](http://www.holdingfordmn.us)).

If you have a need (lawn raking, flower garden cleanup,  
garbage cleanup, painting, window washing, etc.) please  
contact City Hall (746-2966) or Helping Hands (746-9960) with  
your request. The Lioness Club will serve lunch at the city  
center for anyone who would like to help by volunteering.

A dumpster is available by the waste water treatment plant for  
branches. You may also bring down lawn clipping and leaves to  
the compost piles. Please keep this area clean and organized.



#### Leaf and Lawn Pick up Begins

The first Friday of each month starting  
May 4<sup>th</sup> through November (weather  
permitting). Accepted items: Bagged  
leaves, lawn clippings and bundled  
sticks up to 4 feet long and no larger  
than 1 inch in diameter.



### Golf Cart Licenses Available at City Hall Cost: \$10.00



#### Permit conditions:

1. Only valid driver's license holders may operate golf carts on city streets and county roads.
2. Motorized golf carts may be operated within the city on county roads where roads are posted at 30 mph or under.
3. Motorized golf carts may only be operated on designated roadways from sunrise to sunset. They shall not be operated in inclement weather or when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog, other conditions or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons and vehicles on the roadway at a distance of 500 feet.
4. Motorized golf carts shall display the slow-moving vehicle emblem provided in Minnesota Statutes Section 169-522, when operated on designated roadways.
5. Motorized golf carts shall be operated at all times as close to the right curb as possible, except with the driver is making a left-hand turn.
6. No person shall operate a motorized golf cart on a public sidewalk or trail unless otherwise authorized by the county.
7. The number of occupants in the motorized golf cart shall not exceed the design occupant load. Each occupant must be seated in a seat designed for occupants.
8. All operator permits shall be issued for a specific motorized golf cart. A current city issued operator's permit tag shall be plainly visible from the front of the motorized golf cart.
9. Every motorized golf cart operator must have proof of insurance in possession while operating the motorized golf cart on designated streets and shall produce such proof of insurance on demand of a police officer as specified in Minnesota Statutes Section 169-791.
10. The motorized golf cart is in good working condition and safe for the transportation of passengers.

Upcoming Events at the Muni

April 21<sup>st</sup> – Cruise Control

April 27<sup>th</sup> – 2 Dog Night

May 5<sup>th</sup> – Pot 'O Gold Drawing

