

From City Hall March 2015 – Mayors Report

Congratulations to our Holdingford wrestlers who had a great showing at State this year. Nathan Brinker and Zach Scott both did an outstanding job and Holdingford is very proud of all our young athletes.

On Sunday March 8, we had a sewer main back up along County Road 9. With help from the City of Albany, who sent a jetter to help to clear the blockage, damage to homes was kept to a minimum. The reason for the blockage was items that shouldn't be flushed into sewers. At the Waste Water Treatment Plant, the maintenance crew has seen an increase in items being flushed down the sewers that are not biodegradable. This is very costly to the city in time and wear on equipment.

Cleansing Wipes and Baby Wipes ...the question comes down to how quickly a flushable product breaks down in water. In 2009, Consumer Reports tested many of the leading brands of toilet paper and flushable wipes and concluded that all of the wipes completely failed the disintegration test, while even the strongest, thickest toilet papers squeaked by with a low passing grade. Flushable? Yes. Dissolvable? No. Consumer Reports recommends that users of wipes should dispose of them in the trash instead of the toilet. Please don't flush these items.

Main Street Holdingford will have the opening of Everything Signs and the Central Minnesota Credit Union soon. Along with that, the old Wobegon Café has a new owner and they are working on opening as soon as possible. Welcome and thank you to these businesses. Businesses can open their doors, but it takes the community to support and make them strong. Please be sure to visit and buy at all our local businesses, keeping money in the area helps us all.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Marstein, Mayor, City of Holdingford