

# HOLDINGFORD

*"Gateway to the Lake Wobegon Trail"*



## From City Hall September 2021

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### **Holdingford City 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 pm

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month 8 – 10 am

The storm we had several weeks ago, with very high winds, took down many residents trees and large branches. Thankfully, no one was injured and property damage was minimal. The city maintenance area where we allow leaves, grass clippings, and small branches was overloaded with the clean-up of that storm. The maintenance crew and Tom's Refuse spent many long hours making room and hauling away the loads of branches that were brought in by residents and non-residents. The city is looking for a close disposal area for these occasional weather events that exceed our capacity at the Waste Water Treatment area.

If anyone is willing to volunteer a spot for trees and branches to be disposed of, please call City Hall at (320) 746-2966. A large "Thank You" to all the community people that helped their neighbors by hauling away storm debris!

With school starting, please be mindful of obeying school bus stop arms and looking out for kids walking to school and home. Slow down on city streets. Thank you!

Respectfully,

Sue Marstein  
Holdingford Mayor



### **Looking Ahead – Important Dates**

**October 7 Holdingford Fire Department Open House 6 pm –7:30 pm**

**October 11 City Hall Closed for Columbus Day**

**October 12 City Council Meeting at 7 pm (changed from October 11)**

**November 8 City Council Meeting at 7 pm**

**November 11 City Hall Closed for Veteran's Day**

For more community events, please see the Community Calendar at

[www.holdingfordmn.us/calendar](http://www.holdingfordmn.us/calendar)

## Volunteers Wanted

The City of Holdingford is looking for volunteers to form a planning and zoning committee. If you would be interested in volunteering, please call City Hall at (320) 746-2966.



## Pillow Cleaning

Annual pillow cleaning will be on October 6, 2021, at City Hall.  
2:00 pm—6:00 pm  
Bring your feather or foam pillows for cleaning.



## City Council Meeting Date Change for October Meeting

Due to October 11th being a date City Hall is closed in observance of Columbus Day, the City Council has changed the meeting date to October 12th at City Hall at 7:00 pm.



## Donations Needed for Skate Park Update

The city is in the process of updating the skate park equipment at the Veteran's park. If interested in donating, please contact city hall at (320) 746-2966.



## Fire Department Open House

The Holdingford Fire Department will be having an open house on October 7, 2021  
6:00 pm—7:30 pm  
Come and bring your kids to check out the fire hall, equipment and activities.



## City Council Meetings

In order to ensure efficient and orderly council meetings, please be sure to have any agenda or paperwork items to City Hall by 5:00 pm on the Wednesday prior to the meeting date.  
Thank you!!



## Helping Hands Lunch & Learn

11:30 am  
Join them every 4th Thursday of the month at the American Legion Post in Holdingford.

Pedals to Petals Garden Club is looking for members. If interested, please contact Molly at (320) 808-5287.

Thank you club members for keeping the city gardens so beautiful every summer!



## Land Use Permits Are Required

Permits are required for new buildings, additions, fences, decks, residing, shingles, window replacement, etc.

Please contact City Hall if you have questions regarding a land use permit at (320) 746-2966. You can also visit our website for information regarding land use permits. Fees are doubled if you start a project without approval.

## Being a Good Neighbor

As a good neighbor, it's important to keep your property looking neat, and to follow any local ordinances regarding lawn care, trash disposal, and parking. Please keep yard displays family friendly.

**Neat exterior:** Standards and tastes in property care vary person to person, but so long as neighbors maintain their property, there's no need to criticize their fondness for garden gnomes.

**Trash:** Bag garbage and stash it in tightly lidded containers and secure recycling so it doesn't scatter in the wind.

**Power tool noise:** Limit the use of lawn mowers, leaf blowers, power tools, and the like to reasonable times or when permitted by town ordinances.

**Fall leaves:** Falling leaves respect no property lines, and the ones that fall in your yard, even from a neighbor's tree, are all yours.

**Pets:** As the owner, you are required to keep your dog under control at all times, and you are liable for any damage to person or property. Obey town or city leash laws, and watch out at home for: Incessant barking, dog(s) going AWOL, or aggressive behavior towards passerby. **Please be a good neighbor.**