

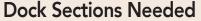
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FALL/WINTER 2022-23

Gull Lake Trail Update

Work is progressing to complete the Gull Lake Trail. The final design is being completed and reviewed by the appropriate authorities. It is anticipated that bids will be received for the link between Lake Shore and Nisswa in late 2022 or early 2023. Construction is slated for 2023 depending on the outcomes of the bids. As most of you are aware, prices are escalating and so are the costs of the trail project. Grants were awarded in 2020 based on 2019 construction estimates. In the meantime, easements are being secured for certain areas along the trail route. If you have any questions related to the trail or would like to donate (tax deductible) to the trail project please contact Teri Hastings at (218) 963-2148 ext. 2 or email at thastings@cityoflakeshore.com



Are you upgrading your dock? The City of Lake Shore is looking for dock sections that are in decent shape for portions of the trails in Fritz Loven Park to traverse low areas of the trail through the park. If you have any docks sections that you would like to donate, please contact city hall at (218) 963-2148 ext. 2.

CSAH 77 Roundabout

The City of Nisswa is planning on the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of CSAH 77 and Nokomis Ave in 2023. Final design work is currently in progress and the City plans to bid this project over the winter. Should bids be accepted, construction will begin in spring 2023, with an anticipated construction window of 60-75 days. The roundabout project will impact travelers along CSAH 77 from Highway 371 into the City of Lake Shore, and significant detours will be in place during construction. If the City of Nisswa awards the bid and the project moves forward, we will begin to communicate project information to the residents and businesses along CSAH 77, as well as to the City of Lake Shore. We will have a project website and will also have a camera that can be viewed 24/7. Questions at this time can be sent to Jenny Max, Nisswa City Administrator, at jmax@ci.nisswa.mn.us.

Bears, Bears, and Bears

There have been quite a few bear sitings in the area, even city hall had a bear visit during an afternoon council meeting a couple of weeks ago! Soon the bears will prepare for winter hibernation but did you know that a black bear can consume up to 20,000 calories a day as it prepares for winter hibernation! Seeing the high calorie count bears must consume, it is natural to see why bears turn to human food and trash when it is easily accessible (remember trash and human food isn't part of a bear's natural diet). Here are a few tips to limit human-bear interactions and bear proof their living space:

- Keep garbage in a well-secured location.
- Only put out garbage on the morning of pickup.
- Clean garbage cans regularly to keep them free of food odors: ammonia is effective.
- Use bear-resistant trash can or dumpster.
- Don't leave pet food or stock feed outside.
- Bird feeders are a major source bear/human conflicts. Attract birds naturally with flowers and water baths. Do not hang bird feeders from April 15 to November 15.
- Do not attract other wildlife by feeding them, such as deer, turkeys or small mammals.
- Don't allow bears to be comfortable around your house. If you see one, yell at it, throw things at it, make noise to scare it off.
- Secure compost piles. Bears are attracted to the scent of rotting food.
- Clean the grill after each use.
- If you have fruit trees, don't allow the fruit to rot on the ground.
- Talk to you neighbors and kids about being bear aware.

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Safety Tips to Help Avoid Deer Crashes

- Drive at safe speeds and always be buckled up.
- Be especially cautious from 6 9 p.m., when deer are most active.
- Use high beams as much as possible at night, especially in deer-active areas.
- Motorists: don't swerve to avoid a deer. Swerving can cause motorists to lose control and travel off the road or into oncoming traffic.
- Motorcyclists: Avoid night and low-light riding periods. A rider's best response when encountering a deer is to use both brakes for maximum braking and to keep your eyes and head up to improve your chances of keeping the bike up. If a crash is imminent, and there is enough space to swerve around the deer without leaving the roadway, use maximum braking and just before impact, attempt a swerve in the opposite direction the deer is traveling. Riders are encouraged to wear full face helmets and full protective gear to prevent injury or death in a crash. High visibility gear can assist other driver's in seeing you better, whether it's while making an evasive maneuver to avoid a deer or laying on the roadway after impacting a deer.
- Don't count on deer whistles or deer fences to deter deer from crossing roads.
- Watch for the reflection of deer eyes and for deer silhouettes on the shoulder of the road. If anything looks slightly suspicious, slow down.
- Slowdown in areas known to have a large deer population such as areas where roads divide agricultural fields from forest land, and whenever in forested areas between dusk and dawn.
- Deer do unpredictable things they stop in the middle of the road when crossing; cross and quickly recross back; and move toward an approaching vehicle. Blow horn" to urge deer to leave the road. Stop if the deer stays on the road, don't try to go around it.
- Any Minnesota resident may claim a road-killed animal by contacting a law enforcement officer.
 An authorization permit will be issued allowing the individual to lawfully possess the deer.
- If a deer is struck but not killed by a vehicle, keep a
 distance as deer may recover and move on. If a deer
 does not move on, or poses a public safety risk, report
 the incident to a DNR conservation officer or other
 local law enforcement agency.

Reporting Suspicious Activity and Crime

The Lake Shore Police Department wants to remind residents to report suspicious activity. With your help and action, we will continue keeping this community safe from crime. When you help the police department, you are helping yourself from becoming a victim of crime.

If you see suspicious or unusual activity report it immediately by dialing 911. Even a five-minute delay in reporting can significantly reduce the likelihood of catching the criminal. Don't hesitate to call if you think something may be wrong or out of place. Think about what could happen if you delay or don't make the call. Get to know your neighbors and watch out for each other.

Snow Plowing Across Roads

Lake Shore residents are reminded that it is unlawful to plow snow from driveways onto or across city streets or country roads. Piles of snow left on or near the road can freeze into a solid mass creating a hazardous situation for vehicles and snowplows. Accidents and damages caused by snow piles left in the roadway may result in liability to the property owner. Piles of snow increase the chances of drifting snow onto the roadway.

Hunting

Firearm hunting is regulated by ordinance within the city of Lake Shore. A map has been adopted to identify where firearm hunting is allowed. Depending on residential density, specific areas are prohibited from firearm hunting while other areas allow for the discharge of specific firearms. State law still applies to the discharge of any firearm within the city. The city does not regulate the taking of game by bow & arrow. Bow hunting is governed by state law. Landowner permission should always be obtained for all hunting activity. The Firearms Hunting map is available at City Hall or at www.cityoflakeshore.com.

Property Watch

Property Watch forms are available at the Lake Shore Police Department or online at www.cityoflakeshore.com. A new property watch form needs to be filled out each time you are away on vacation or leaving for the winter season. This information notifies the police department that you will be away from your residence during a specific period and allows us to have contact information in the unfortunate event that something happens.



WEEKLY CURBSIDE RECYCLING PICKUP

One Earth Recycling provides a curbside recycling service in your area. We pick up your household recyclables, including plastic, glass, paper, and cardboard.

Paul Noskowiak, 12212 Little Pine Rd, Brainerd - 320-293-9306

From Mayor Krista Knudsen



As I reflect on my 10 years of service with the City of Lake Shore, I am humbled and inspired by the strong sense of community we have in our beloved city. There are many unrecognized heroes that voluntarily stand up and help out in times of need. Neighbors that go out of their way to help others clean up debris after summer storms. The (often) overlooked resident that volunteers to prune trees or collect garbage

throughout our city & our waterways. Neighbors that make meals or organize fundraisers for others that have fallen on hard times. Others that keep watch over and work to protect our cherished wildlife. So many of our community members go above and beyond to make our city beautiful, welcoming, neighborly. To all of you, Thank You! We appreciate you and all you do.

Truly, we are blessed to live in a city where so many of our residents take great pride in our community. However, that doesn't mean there aren't situations that arise that need to be addressed. Keeping this strong sense of community in mind is important while addressing the occasional neighborhood concern. Weekend residents leaving their garbage out only to have bears strew it across the road, neighbors doing lawn work in the morning hours or late-night campfires that get too loud are some of the common concerns of residents. Often, these concerns can be efficiently and effectively addressed with a friendly neighbor-to-neighbor chat. Each side realizing there is a certain level of compromise needed to achieve an agreeable solution for all parties. We all love our community for many different reasons. Working together to share our city's cherished attributes will ensure Lake Shore remains the wonderful place we all call home.

Volunteer Locally with Faith in Action for Cass County

Most of us prefer not to dwell long on the question "What if I needed help, and there was no one there to help me?" We love our independence and plan to keep it – as long as possible. But, sometimes circumstances leave us in the position of needing help – and lacking the resources to meet our own needs.



Faith in Action provides services in partnership with local civic organizations, church groups and individuals who volunteer their time in non-professional assistance for frail elderly, disabled and others in difficult circumstances. Volunteers receive liability insurance, mileage reimbursement and service coordination that lets them choose how, when and how often they want to volunteer. "It's the best 'job' I've ever had," stated Volunteer Lorraine Enos of Hackensack.

Volunteers are urgently needed throughout southern Cass County. If you can give a few hours a month or several each week, you can make a difference in the lives of your neighbors in need. Snowbirds are welcome to volunteer when they can. Call Faith in Action for Cass County at 218-675-5435 to volunteer today!

Please help spread the word about Faith in Action's services of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors", and about volunteer opportunities that strengthen our communities. Contact us for more information at 218-675-5435, cassfia@uslink.net, or visit our website faithinactioncass.com. Thank you!

General Election

Tuesday, November 8, 2022, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Absentee voting began September 23rd and runs through Monday, November 7th at 5:00 p.m. Applications can be submitted on paper forms or online at https://mnvotes.sos.state. mn.us/ABRegistration/ABRegistrationStep1. aspx. In addition to the Courthouse location, in-person absentee voting is conducted at seven other locations across Cass County for specific precincts. Lake Shore is one of these locations and persons from the City of Lake Shore and Fairview Township can vote at Lake Shore City Hall at 8583 Interlachen Road, Lake Shore. City Hall business hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There are extended hours for absentee voting on Saturday, November 3rd from 10 am to 3 pm and until 5 pm on November 7th.

You can find a sample ballot online at https://myballotmn.sos.state.mn.us/.

Lake Shore has two council seats up for election this year and John Terwilliger and Andrew (Andy) Stewart are the two that filed for the positions available. Many of you know that our Mayor, Krista Knudsen, in running for MN State Representative District 5A; if she is successful, Lake Shore will need to appoint a new Mayor after the beginning of 2023 when she is officially sworn in and relinquishes her position as our mayor. At that time, the balance of the Council will appoint a new mayor.

UPCOMING AREA EVENTS

NOVEMBER 25, 2022 City of Lights Celebration Downtown Nisswa

JANUARY 15, 2023 Nisswa 100 Cross-Country Snowmobile Race

JANUARY 28, 2023 Brainerd Jaycees Ice Fishing Extravaganza

February 24-26, 2023 Gull Lake Frozen Fore

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Henry Cote Doug Miller Wayne Anderson John Terwilliger

Mayor

Krista Knudsen

City Clerk

Patti McDonald

City Administrator/ Planning & Zoning Administrator

Teri Hastings

Police Chief Steve Sundstrom

Public Works Roger Olmscheid

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the City Council are held the fourth Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Adjustment/Planning Commission

John Terwilliger - Liaison Jim Woll - Chair Pat Hastings, Gene Hagen, Arla Johnson, Robert Toborg Alternates: Glen Gustafson, Pam Poston

Road/Wastewater Committee

Wayne Anderson - Liaison Ray Rasinski, Jim Woll, Bill Schultz, Jim Halverson, Justin Stahnke

Park Committee

Henry Cote - Liaison Todd Peterson - Chair Greg Schwanbeck, Mary Kay Larson, Wesley Roberson, Cindy Terwilliger Alternate: Steve Sundstrom