



## POLICE

Most of you may agree summers feel short in Minnesota and before you know it we are shaking out our dust covered jackets, putting the boats away, starting school shopping and welcoming the cooler days and fall colors. The beginning of fall means school is back in session. This also means increased traffic in and around the Becker School Complex. Please remember the importance of being patient when dropping or picking up your school children. This will ultimately increase safety and safer driving practices by all. During the warmer days of the Becker School year several children walk to and from school and extracurricular activities. Motorists should be more aware of their surroundings before, during, and after school hours. Parents should be reinforcing the importance of traffic safety to their young drivers and walkers. This includes students stopping at cross walks or busy intersection before crossing the street and looking in both directions. Distracted driving has been the main topic of conversation throughout the summer months and into fall. Drivers, please put down your phones, keep both hands on the steering wheel and keep your eyes on the roadway. If a distraction does occur, please make sure you pull over to a safe location. Your digital device is not worth someone's life. During the 2015-2016 school year we received several complaints from school bus drivers referencing school bus stop arm violations. Driver's need to remember it is a crime first of all to not slow down while the bus is stopped in the roadway with yellow lights displayed. Second of all drivers will receive greater infractions if they do not stop while the school bus is stopped in the roadway with red lights displayed, stop arm extended, and children present. Please remember my previous statement regarding distracted driving.

With the start of fall colors comes increased leaf pick up. Keep in mind your physical limitations when it comes to raking and bagging leaves. Take breaks when needed and if we are blessed with a warmer fall remember to increase fluid intake to deter dehydration. The burning of anything other than clean dry wood for recreational purposes in a 3 x 3 ring is prohibited. This means no one shall be burning leaves or yard debris (Refuse). Please see Becker City ordinance below. During this upcoming fall let's keep our children's safety in mind and have a fun and active school year.

### **Becker City Ordinance Section 10.26 (Open Burning) Subd. 3 Prohibited Burning.**

-No person shall be authorized to burn vegetative matter such as leaves and branches in residential lots. The use of Burners (Burning Barrels) is also prohibited.

Officer Johnathon Batterberry



**Golf Mixer - Thursday, July 28th - Pebble Creek Golf Course**  
 Open to the Public  
 9- Hole Scramble Tournament  
 2:00pm - Registration  
 3:00 pm - Shotgun  
 6:30 pm - Dinner  
 \$10,000 Hole In One Chance

For more information, sponsor and team forms call (763) 262-2420 or  
 email: [chamber@beckerchamber.org](mailto:chamber@beckerchamber.org) or [www.facebook.com/beckerchamber](http://www.facebook.com/beckerchamber)

## Becker Community Center

### Adventure Zone – Recreational School Age Childcare

Gym – Pool – Rockwall – Outside Play – Library – Games – Crafts – Experiments - & More!  
 Open before school at 6:00am and after school until 6:00pm. Also open on non-school days 6am-6pm. Now enrolling kids entering Kindergarten – 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

### Soo Bahk Do Karate

Registration is now open for a six week session on Mondays at Becker City Park from August 8<sup>th</sup> – September 19<sup>th</sup> (no class on 9/5). Beginner class 5:30pm, Advanced class 6:30pm.

### Group Swimming Lessons – American Red Cross

Morning Session – Tues, Thurs, & Fri on August 2<sup>nd</sup> – August 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Parent Child 10am, Preschool 10:30am, Level One 11:10am, Level Two 11:45am

Evening Session – Tues, Wed, & Thurs on August 2<sup>nd</sup> – August 17<sup>th</sup>  
 Preschool 5pm, Level One 5:40, Level Two 6:15pm, Level Three 7:15pm

### Preschool Enrichment Camp

Weather Explorers – Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00-10:30am  
 Sunshine, rain, snow and clouds... what is the weather like today? We'll learn about different kinds of weather, do a weather craft and sing songs about the rain and the sun.

### Community Center Membership

Be fit and have fun while you spend time with your family and friends! There are many benefits to being active! Moving your body will help you... Reduce stress! Add energy! Improve sleep! Manage your weight! Build strength! Keep your bones healthy! Many health insurance plans reimburse you for all, or a portion of your membership costs; additional information is available at the BCC.

### October Harvest Fest

Save the Date! Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at Becker City Park  
 5K & 1K Fun Run/Walk, Music, Kids Games and more!

## **1ST Annual Community Concert at the Creek!**

Pebble Creek is excited for the first ever event, a community concert on the driving range. Join us on the course July 30th @ 6:00PM . This will be a 21 years and older event. Tickets are only \$10 and are available for purchase at the Becker Community Center, Becker City Hall, Pebble Creek Pro Shop and online. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the door. Bring your ID, again this is a 21 years and older event, and you will need to bring proof of your age to enter. Pack your lawn chair and if the weather looks wet your rain coat, the show will go on rain or shine!

**PRIMARY ELECTION - August 9th**

**Polls Open 7:00a.m.—8:00p.m.**

City residents vote at City Hall

**12060 Sherburne Avenue**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:** That the Primary Election in the City of Becker, in the County of Sherburne, State of Minnesota will be held on Tuesday, the 9th day of August between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at 12060 Sherburne Avenue.

**Absentee Ballots can be requested through the Sherburne County Auditors Office beginning June 24th. at 763-765-4351 or the Secretary of State’s Office at [www.sos.state.mn.us/](http://www.sos.state.mn.us/)**

**City Council Positions Open**

Register for a City Council Seat at City Hall, 12060 Sherburne Avenue, beginning August 2nd through August 16th during regular business hours 8:00am to 4:30 pm. August 16th City Office will be open until 5:00pm.. The cost is \$2.00.

Seats that will be open are:

Mayor - 4 year term

Two City Council - each a four year term

**Farmer’s Market**

Fridays through October 14th, 3:00 - 6:00pm at the Becker Furniture World Parking Lot.

**Street Lights Out?**

Call City Hall

Main Number : 763 -200-4239, or 763 261-4302

**Becker Area Senior Center**

Seniors meet at City Hall every

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Any questions call BASC at 763 528-0643

**MN DOT Outreach Meeting**

**Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7 pm at the Becker Community Center.**

MN Department of Transportation (DOT) will present a proposal for safety improvements to the intersection of US Hwy 10 and Sherburne Avenue for you to see and they will answer your questions.

**Nite to Unite**

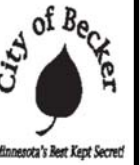
A reminder that Night to Unite/National Night Out will be held on Tuesday August 2nd this year. For anyone planning on having neighborhood or block parties, this would be a great night to have those events. We again will have a community picnic at Kolbinger Park and will respond to any neighborhood party to say hi. Please contact the Police Department to register your event so we can make sure we stop by. 763 200-4267.



**City of Becker Newsletter**

**August & September 2016**

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**Phone Numbers & Contacts**

Local Number: 763 -261 -4302

- City Hall..... 763 - 200 - 4239
- Mayor Jerome Kleis.....612- 219- 5992
- Public Works.....763 - 200 - 4275
- Metro West Inspections.....763 - 684 - 0383
- Water Supply Department.....763 -200 - 4276
- Community Center.....763 -200 - 4271
- Pro Shop.....763 -200 - 4268

**August and September 2016**

**Meeting Dates**

**City Council**

Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, August 16<sup>st</sup> 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.

**EDA**

Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m.  
Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m.

**Planning Commission**

Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.  
Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.

**Park & Rec Committee**

Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.\*  
Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.\*

\*Meetings are held at the Becker Community Center

**Meeting Locations:** All meetings are held at the Becker City Hall Council Chambers, unless noted. Meetings in the Chambers are equipped with hearing aid devices.

**Greetings from the Mayor**

Greetings,

I hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful summer. Taking time for family trips, camping, fishing or just relaxing is a must. There are many more activities and events to attend and participate in before our summer is gone. Continue to check out the City and County websites. Be safe in all you do and have fun.

Sincerely,

Mayor Lefty Kleis

**City Offices will be Closed  
Labor Day, September 5th.**