



POLICE

As the heat begins to increase, we here at the Becker Police Department continue to receive our typical summer heat related calls and also continue to sweat with all of our equipment on. During the summer months our officers respond to countless heat related medicals. Be sure that you are properly hydrated before, during and after any physical exercise to ensure your body can replenish what is lost through sweat. Also try to take more frequent breaks when outside and find shade to cool down. Another issue that our department has been dealing with now that the weather is warm has been dog bites.

Per our city ordinance, if your dog bites a human being unprovoked it must be quarantined for 14 days. This 14 day quarantine can be at the owner’s home or a veterinary clinic based on officer discretion. The process involving a dog bite to a human is very complex and includes not only a 14 day quarantine, but proof of rabies vaccination, city licensing, medical records and more. Dogs that have shown signs of being dangerous can be deemed a “dangerous dog” which would mean that it would have to be registered as a dangerous dog with the county and you may need to take out an insurance policy to cover any medical costs should the dog bite someone. As a reminder, it is against city ordinance for dogs to be off leash while outside of your yard and must be licensed through the city. If you have a dog that has not been licensed please contact City hall.

The final topic for this newsletter will discuss adult weekend recreation. We all love warm summer nights, sitting around a camp fire and enjoying an adult beverage (21+). No open alcoholic beverages are allowed to be carried on public property. Please remain in your yard with the beverage or leave it behind prior to walking. I have included the city ordinance for campfires below, please stay safe and have an enjoyable summer.

Officer Chris Lindbloom

Subd. 2 - Recreational Fires Permitted Recreational fires are permitted within the city limits. They can take place at any time during the day and do not require an open burning permit. Recreational fires must meet the following requirements:

A. Site Requirements. An area of no more than a three (3) foot diameter circle (measured from the inside of the fire ring or border) completely surrounded by noncombustible and non-smoke or odor producing material either of natural rock, cement, brick, tile, block or ferrous metal only and which area is depressed below ground, on the ground, or on a raised bed. Included are permanent outdoor burning fire places. Recreation fire sites shall not be located closer than twenty (20) feet of a structure or fence.

B. Burn Requirements. When a camp fire is used for recreational purposes, it must be ignited with an approved starter fluid using dry, clean Wood; producing little detectable smoke, odor, or soot beyond the property line; conducted with an adult tending the fire at all times; extinguished completely before quitting the occasion; and respecting weather conditions, neighbors, burning bans, and air quality so that nuisances, health or safety hazards will not be created. Mobile cooking devices such as manufactured hibachis, charcoal grills, wood smokers, and propane or natural gas devices are not defined as camp or recreational fires, and are not covered under this section of the code.

Becker Community Center

Freedom Days Week June 13th – 18th

Join the fun with several activities and events throughout the week. Saturday June 18th is the Grand Day! Activities and events on Saturday June 18th include the 5K and 1K Fun Run/Walk, Parade, Entertainment, Kids Games and Fireworks!

Summer Adventure Zone

Now taking registrations for Summer Adventure Zone – School Age Recreational Childcare. This program is open from 6am – 6pm. The kids enjoy a fully packed summer with several activities including swimming, rockwall climbing, visiting the library, outdoor play, field trips, off-site days at Becker City Park, and much more! Call the BCC or visit the website for further information.

Swimming Lessons

The BCC offers group and private swimming lessons year round for levels Parent/Child, Pre-school, and Levels 1-3. Contact the BCC for additional information.

Teddy Bear Junction

Drop off your ‘littles’ at Teddy Bear Junction Drop In Childcare to enjoy the BCC amenities or a group fitness class! Teddy Bear Junction is open Monday – Thursday 8am-10:45am and 5:45-8:15pm. Also open on Friday mornings 8am-10:45am and Saturday mornings 8:30-10:30am. TBJ is open for children ages 3 months to 12 years of age. Cost: Members \$2/child/hour, Non Member \$3/child/hour. Plan to visit often? An unlimited monthly pass for family members is only \$30/month!

Culpepper and Merriweather Circus

Save the Date! Wednesday, July 27th at the Becker Community Center.

Sherburne County History Center

- June 4 – Plant Sale fundraiser at Sherburne History Center
- June 14 – 7:00 pm - Ice Cream Social – FREE family event – ice cream, live music, and family fun at the History Center
- July 7 – 6:30 pm – Book Club – Clifford Simak night. Pick any title by Minnesota author Clifford Simak. The SHC Book Club discusses books of Minnesota historical interest or written by Minnesota authors.
- July 14-17 – Sherburne County Fair, at the Fairgrounds in Elk River
- July 21 - Elk River History Buffs. Join SHC director Mike Brubaker at the Elk River Activity Center for a discussion of local history topics. The event is free, but please call the Activity Center at 763-635-4500 to pre-register.

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/

GOLF

Pebble Creek Golf Club and the City of Becker are excited to announce the first annual Community Concert at the Creek. The Pebble Creek driving range will be the stage for the outdoor music event. We have secured local favorite Outside Recess to open the show for the Chris Hawkey Band. The doors will open at 6pm and the music is scheduled to start at 8pm and wrap up around 11:30. Tickets will be only \$10 and available at the Pebble Creek Pro Shop, the Becker Community Center or online at Ticket Web. Food and beverage will be available. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and a desire to have a good time. Sponsorship opportunities are available, if interested, contact Troy Malo, tmalo@ci.becker.mn.us or 763.200.4261. As a result of alcohol being sold, this is a 21 yrs. and older event. All concert goers will need to present a valid ID for entry to the show. Get your group together and secure your baby sitters now, it will be a community event you won't want to miss!



Street Lights Out?

Call City Hall

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

Coffee with the Mayor

May 21st, 2016

Bulldogs Pizza

9:00am to 11:00 am

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

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 open are:

Mayor - 4 year term

Two City Council - each a four year term

All City Garage Sale

June 11th

Contact Citizen Newspaper for more details.
763 261-5880



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June and July 2016

Meeting Dates

City Council

Tuesday, June 7th 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 21st 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 5th 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 19th 6:00 p.m.

EDA

Monday, June 13th 5:30 p.m.
Monday, July 11th 5:30 p.m.

Planning Commission

Monday, June 27th 6:00 p.m.
Monday, July 25th 6:00 p.m.

Park & Rec Committee

Wednesday, June 22nd 7:00 p.m.*
Wednesday, July 27th 7:00 p.m.*

*Meetings are held at the Becker Community Center

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 - 479 - 1720

Water Supply Department.....763 -200 - 4276
Community Center.....763 -200 - 4271
Pro Shop.....763 -200 - 4268
POLICE.....763 -200 - 4267
EMERGENCY.....9-1-1

City AdministratorGreg Pruszinske
Treasurer.....Sarah Brunn

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

Hello,

One of our favorite seasons of the year is just around the corner. Before we get there, we have some very important dates in May to remember - especially Mother's Day (Thank you to all Moms) and Memorial Day. A very special thank you goes out to all Veterans, Service Members and Families for your sacrifices to protect our country and it's citizens. Let's not forget about the fishing opener, good luck to all! Congratulations to the graduating class of 2016 - Best wishes as you embrace your futures!

June brings warmer weather and tons of outdoor activity - children outside playing, graduation parties, Father's Day (Thanks to all the Dads out there!) and FREEDOM DAYS! I encourage you to attend our Freedom Days activities. There has been a lot of time and effort put forth to make sure there is something for everyone to enjoy. I hope to see you there! Stay safe and enjoy the summer!

Sincerely,
Mayor Kleis

City Offices will be Closed
4th of July