



Shore Report

News for Residents of the City of Shorewood

Upcoming Meetings and Events

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City Hall Closed
- 1/8 7 p.m.
Park Commission Meeting
- 1/14 7 p.m.
City Council Meeting
- 1/15 7 p.m.
Planning Comm Meeting
Planning/Park follows
- 1/17-1/20
Arctic Fever
- 1/21 MLK Day
City Hall Closed
- 1/28 7 p.m.
City Council Meeting

Please check for meeting updates on the city website, www.ci.shorewood.mn.us.

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Shorewood, MN 55331
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League of Women Voters Mayors' Forum

Join community members, League of Women Voters – South Tonka and the Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, January 24, 7 p.m. for the “Mayors’ Forum”. The event is at Shorewood Community & Event Center, 5735 Country Club Road. This year the following will participate in this event:

- Mayor Paul A. Skrede, Deephaven
- Mayor Elect Todd Carlson, Excelsior
- Councilman Tom Fletcher, Greenwood (standing in for Mayor Deb Kind)
- Mayor Lisa Whalen, Minnetrista
- Mayor Scott Zerby, Shorewood
- Mayor Gerry DeLaVega, Tonka Bay
- Mayor Jim Doak, Woodland

This event is a panel discussion and gives residents an opportunity to meet the mayors, and to discuss significant issues in our communities.

The Forum will proceed as follows:

1. Forum will have a moderator
2. Each mayor will have five minutes to present a short update pertinent to their city
3. Q&A: Members of the audience will submit written questions for mayor(s) to answer.
4. Questions will be screened and/or consolidated by topic
5. Forum will be recorded by the Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission (LMCC) for playback on cable and online at www.lmcc-tv.org.

League of Women Voters South Tonka
www.lwvsouthtonka.org/

City Council Approves 2019 Budget

On December 3, 2018, a truth in taxation meeting was held at which the public was invited to discuss the city’s proposed 2019 General Fund budget and 2019 property tax levy. At the regular council meeting on December 10, 2018, the city council adopted the final 2019 General Fund budget and the 2019 property tax levy.

A Shorewood property owner’s property tax bill includes taxes for the city, county, school district, and other miscellaneous taxing authorities. The city portion of the tax bill is approximately 28%. The city’s 2019 adopted property tax levy of \$5,530,322 is 3.0% higher than the 2018 total levy of \$5,369,245. The city’s payable 2019 tax rate is projected to decrease by 0.3% from 28.635% in 2018 to 28.537% in 2019. In other words, property owners with no change in market values from payable 2018 to payable 2019 should experience an approximate 0.3% decrease in the city portion of their overall property tax bill. In the event of a market value decrease or increase from payable 2018 to payable 2019, city property taxes would change proportionately.

Services provided by the General Fund consist of public safety (including police and fire), public works

(including roads and snow plowing), parks and recreation, and general government activities. Additionally, transfers out of the General Fund are scheduled to assist in funding for the Shorewood Community & Event Center, and for various capital outlays, including parks, street improvements, and large equipment. Overall 2019 General Fund expenditures and transfers out are budgeted at \$6,319,948, or a 1.4% increase from the 2018 General Fund budget. Included is an increase to operating expenditures of \$63,906, or 1.3%. Total transfers out are budgeted to increase by \$22,410, or 1.9%. This includes a \$5,000 increase for capital equipment, and a \$25,000 increase for streets. General Fund 2019 revenues and transfers in are budgeted at \$6,273,532, or a 3.5% increase over the 2018 budget. Of the \$213,997 increase in revenues and transfers in, \$161,077 is to be generated from the property tax levy.

The 2019 budget is available on the city website, www.ci.shorewood.mn.us, under Finance. Please call the city with any questions.

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Arctic Fever Volunteers Needed

Arctic Fever is the winter festival hosted by Shorewood, Tonka Bay and Excelsior. The 2018 celebration is January 17-20 in various areas including Freeman Park, Manitou Park and downtown Excelsior. Most events are free and the festival is a great way to get the entire family outside to enjoy a Minnesota winter. Events such as human bowling on ice, dog sled rides, a bike race, ice skating, bonfires, and much more give you a reason to celebrate winter.

Arctic Fever is in need of teen or adult volunteers for various outdoor locations. To volunteer, contact the city at 952.960.7900. You can spend one hour or all day. Opportunities can be viewed on the website, www.arcticfever.net.

Christmas Tree Disposal

Christmas trees and greenery are treated like other yard waste and cannot be placed in your regular garbage. All garbage haulers in Shorewood have collection procedures in place. Contact your garbage hauler for pick up dates and cost. A list of contact numbers for Shorewood's licensed haulers is below for your convenience:

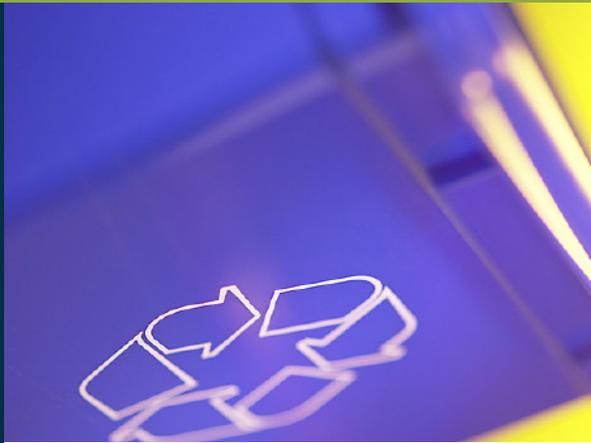
Blackowiak Disposal
952.472.3398

Republic Services
952.941.5174

Randy's Environmental
952.472.0401

Waste Management
888.960.0008

For drop off locations, see the city web site under Environment: Yard Care.



Recycling Weeks for January 2019

All recycling must be curbside no later than 7 a.m. on recycling day. Mainland residents recycle January 9 and 23; Islands recycle January 10 and 24.

Report misses: City hall, 952.960.7900 by noon the following day

Holiday light recycling

Did this holiday season leave you with a few unwanted or nonworking holiday lights? Do not toss them in the garbage—recycle them! The City of Shorewood collects holiday lights for recycling. Unwanted extension cords are also accepted. Simply bring your

unwanted lights and cords to city hall during regular business hours, Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The bin is located in the front entry.

There is also a battery collection bin for household batteries at city hall.



Solid waste phone survey for residents



In 2018 the city council took the next step in investigating the solid waste collection system by approving a proposal for a scientific survey to be conducted

by the Morris and Leatherman company. Calls will be made to 400 households in Shorewood. These calls will include a list of 20 questions about trash collection. Representatives from Morris and Leatherman will develop questions that are neutral and not designed to elicit a specific response.

The survey is scheduled for January or February. If you are

called, the city encourages your participation in the survey as all the people to be called are going to be selected on a specific basis to ensure the sample is representative of the city as a whole. Caller ID will show a '651' number from Morris and Leatherman.

Updates about the investigation of the solid waste collection system are posted at the city's website under Environment/Trash Hauling. If you have questions, please contact city hall, 952.960.7900.

Sand/Salt Barrels Available for Winter

To help keep your driveway and walkway safe, residents of Shorewood can purchase a 50-gallon barrel filled with a sand and salt mixture. The cost is \$40 for the initial barrel and \$30 for

refills. Request and pay online (under Services/Winter services) or send a check payable to City of Shorewood, along with your request (including name, address and phone number) to: City of

Shorewood, 5755 Country Club Rd, Shorewood, 55331. The Public Works Department will contact you to schedule a delivery time.

Keep Waterways on a Low Salt Diet

MPCA recommends a low-salt diet for Minnesota waters. Doctors tell us to stick to a low-salt diet. Our lakes and streams should follow the same advice. When winter comes and snow and ice build up on Minnesota roads, parking lots, and sidewalks, one of the most common reactions is to apply salt, which contains chloride, a water pollutant.

Salt pollutes. When snow and ice melts, the salt goes with it, washing into our lakes, streams, wetlands, and groundwater. It takes only one teaspoon of road salt to permanently pollute 5 gallons of water. Once in the water, there is no way to remove the chloride, and at high concentrations, chloride can harm fish and plant life. Less is more when it comes to applying road salt.



Arctic fever

Winter cannot keep a good Minnesotan in! Check out all of the Arctic Fever Winterfest activities on the insert in this newsletter. Everyone should experience the fun that a great winter offers.



Planning and park commission openings

Residents encouraged to apply

It's easy to ignore how things get done in the city: your street gets plowed, your toilet flushes and everything goes away, your park is mowed and your potholes get filled. Now you can be a part of the system by joining one of Shorewood's commissions or representing the city on a board.

Planning Commission

There are currently openings available on the Planning

Commission. The Planning Commission serves as an advisory commission to the City Council on planning and development issues. The Planning Commission meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. A tentative second meeting is scheduled for the third Tuesday as needed.

Park Commission

There are openings on the city Park Commission. The

Park Commission serves as an advisory commission to the City Council on park and park programming issues. The Park Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month.

To apply for any of these volunteer positions, please send a letter of interest to the city by email, cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us, or by mail or in person to City of Shorewood,

Show off your city in photos

The fall/winter photo contest is taking place. Submit photos in the following five categories:

- People of Shorewood
- Pets and Wildlife
- Events and Activities
- Splendor of seasons

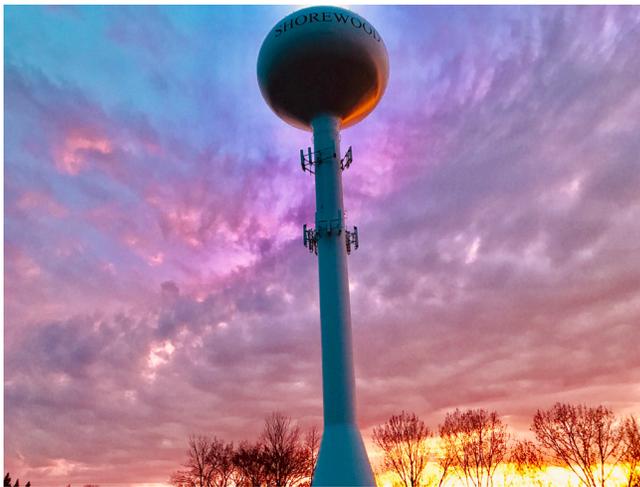
All photos should be taken during the fall and winter months. Winners in each category will have their photos framed and displayed at city hall and will each receive a framed print. Submissions will be accepted through March 25 at 4:30 p.m.

2019 Photo

Contest Rules

- Entrants must live, work, or attend school in Shorewood
- Photos must be taken in Shorewood between September 21, 2018 and

March 21, 2019. Each photo entry must include photographer's name, address, phone number, and email address, age (if under



- 18), intended category and title of the photo
- Photo submissions with professional logos or watermarks will not be considered

- Photos must be submitted to cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us, or on a flash drive brought to city hall. Files must be in high resolution jpeg format.

Include the exact location of photo being submitted.

- Participants must have permission from any persons pictured in the photo to use that photo and permission of a parent in case of minors – Subject permissions must be obtained before submitting photos.

- Once submitted, entrants grant reproduction rights (both print and digital) to City of

Shorewood

- Each person may submit up to five photos

For additional information contact the city at 952.960.7900, or email cityhall@ci.shorewood.

Council Activities

Since the last council meeting the city council:

- Accepted donations for Arctic Fever event.
- Approved plans and specifications and authorized advertising for bids on a sanitary sewer lining project.
- Approved an agreement with Barr Engineering for a drainage study of areas in western Shorewood.
- Held the Truth-in-Taxation public meeting to hear a presentation by Finance Director Joe Rigdon about the proposed 2019 city budget.
- Approved the seasonal hire of rink attendants.
- Adopted the 2019 property tax levy, 2019 general fund budget and the 2019-2028 Capital Improvement Plan for Shorewood Community and Event Center.
- Discussed street light policies and a request for a street light at Ferncroft Drive and Minnetonka Blvd.

Staff Recognition

The city council recognized four staff members for years of service awards:

Patti Helgesen	35 years
Brad Mason	20 years
Michelle Nguyen	15 years
Brett Baumann	5 years

Congratulations and thank you to the staff members for service to City of Shorewood.



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Warming House Schedule

Warming houses are available at ice rinks in Manor Park and Cathcart Park. Freeman Park has a free skate rink, but no warming house due to lack of attendants. Rinks may be reserved for a small fee by calling the city, 952.960.7900.

Monday-Friday
3:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.
Saturday 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Sunday Noon – 9 p.m.
Holidays 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Closing times may vary slightly if rink is not in use or an attendant is not available.

Fire lane access to lakes

Fire Lanes are rights-of-way that were originally dedicated to the city to provide water access for fighting fires. They now provide public access to Lakes Minnetonka and William in 10 locations, as shown on the City's zoning map. Shorewood City Code has specific language on how these areas may be used to access the lakes. The City Council asked staff to revisit the rules on fire Lanes. This study may include recommendations for or against altering the city code to allow new uses onto the fire lanes or if vehicle access to the lake would be appropriate.

To begin the process, staff will put together a history of fire lane usage in Shorewood, share a photo inventory of the fire lanes and identify the existing uses allowed. This information will be presented to a Joint Planning Commission/Parks Commission work session to be held on January 15, 2019 at about 7:30 p.m. after the regular Planning Commission meeting ends. This meeting is open to the public and speakers would be able to present comments on the topic or may submit written comments prior to the meeting. Because this is a work session, no changes to the city code would be adopted at the meeting, but the Commissions could provide staff with direction for future code amendments. Submit any written comments to: planning@ci.shorewood.mn.us.

Cocoa and cookies ice skating parties

Check out the ice at the community ice rinks this winter. Cocoa and cookies will be provided in the warming house. All ages will have a great time skating. No RSVP necessary. This all ages event will be a great time for everyone. Bring the entire family, invite friends, and let's skate!

January 11, Cathcart Park
January 25, Manor Park
February 1, Freeman Park

All events are weather dependent. Updates online, www.ci.shorewood.mn.us.



Shorewood Community and Event Center

www.southshore-center.org 952.474.7635

Get organized and declutter

Thursday, January 10, 7-8:30 p.m.

Local professional organizer, Michele Dudley, with Teyestone Organization, will discuss tips and tools to help you jump start your organizing projects for the new year! Leave the workshop with ideas you can implement in your space. Register by calling the center, 952.474.7635.

19 ways to save time and money organizing

Thursday, February 7, 10:30 a.m.-noon

Need ideas to help you get organized? Learn from local professional organizer, Michele Dudley with Reystone Organization. Register by calling the center, 952.474.7635.

Driver improvement class

Refresher course

Monday, January 7, 1-5 p.m.

If you are age 55+ you can get a 10% discount on your car insurance by taking a class. This class is for those who completed the 8 hour course and need a renewal. Register and get more information at Minnesota Safety Center, 1.888.234.1294.

Chair Fitness

Wednesdays, 10-10:30 a.m.; \$6 per class

This class addresses the needs and challenges of those in need of the stabilizing safety of a chair during workouts. Light weights, stretching and wonderful music will be incorporated into the workout.

Fitness Class

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30 a.m. \$6 per class or purchase a discount package with monthly sign up at class; Ages: 55+

This program, designed for active adults, uses low impact exercises to get your heart pumping! Exercises can be adapted for all levels of fitness and physical ability. Call the center, 952.474.7635, with questions.

Busy Bee Quilters

Monday and Wednesday 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; Ages: All

Have a great time sharing personal quilt projects, helping each other, and making various service projects. For more information, call Linda, 952.475.1430.

Woodcarving

Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.; Ages: All

Have you thought of woodcarving as a hobby or already carve? Stop in and join this community of carvers. Learn how or carve and share your knowledge. No fees or sign up necessary.

Knitting

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.; Ages: All

Open to all interested in the needle arts. All levels of expertise welcome. Bring your favorite pattern to share and learn great tips from fellow knitters! No RSVP necessary.

Beading

Tuesdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

No experience needed for this fun group. An instructor is available if you are new to beading. Supplies available, or bring your own. For more information contact Linda, 952.475.1430. No RSVP necessary.

Mahjong

Wednesdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

Mahjong is a tile-based game which originated in China. It requires tactics, observation, memory, teamwork and is generally played with four players. Join a table each week for a fun and challenging game. Instruction is available.

Toastmasters

Thursdays, 12-1 p.m.; Ages: All

If you have wondered what Toastmasters is all about, or used to be in a group and are looking for a local group to join, a Toastmasters group is now at Southshore Center weekly. Stop by any Thursday.

Bridge

Thursdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

Love the game of bridge? Want to join a table, or improve your skill? Call the center to reserve a spot for weekly games, 952.474.7635.

Dementia Support Group

Fridays, January 4 and January 18 9-10 a.m.; Ages: All

First and third Fridays monthly

If you are caring for a loved one with dementia, or someone close to you is suffering from dementia and you could use some support, meet with other concerned caregivers. Learn from each other on ways to be a better caregiver, and to better take care of yourself. Questions? Call Jane at 952.474.4673, or Joanne, 952.474.6022

Instant Pot introduction

Monday, January 14,

10 a.m.-noon; \$5

Bring your instant pot and join with others as we make at least four different items. We will then enjoy a meal of our new recipes! Call to register, 952.474.7635. Please include any dietary restrictions with your registration. Maximum: 8

Happy Feet

Monday, January 21; \$40

Appointments: 763.560.5136; Age: 55+

Clients who regularly receive nursing foot care express an increased sense of comfort and well-being. The health and appearance of the feet are restored so that the client may once again participate in improved daily living. Care includes foot soak, foot massage, care for corns, calluses or problem nails.

Get the Best Out of Life as You Age

Thursday, January 24, 10:30 a.m.

Jean Ketcham is the epitome of living dangerously with fun, spirit and style! Her roles as homecoming queen, tennis competitor, business owner, parent, sales executive, entrepreneur and cancer survivor converge to give her the credentials for her sage leadership of this organization. Known for her "2 Cents Worth" editorials. agingbutdangerous.com is her website

Paint, Paper, Scissors Painting

Monday, February 11, 1-3 p.m.

No experience necessary! Make and Take Art; You will be painting "Freda's Door". Call the center to register; \$25

The center is closed
January 1, 21 and
February 18.



Arctic Fever

Arctic Fever 2019

Thursday, January 17; 5:30-8 p.m.

Art Via Vino \$40; 5:30 p.m. social time - paint from 6 - 8 p.m.
With a paintbrush in one hand and a glass of wine or soft drink in the other, enjoy step-by-step guidance from local artist, Marla Mullaney. Supplies provided. Come alone or with friend.

Friday, January 18; 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Free Pizza Party and Snowsculpting Voting

- Free Joey Nova's Pizza (while supplies last)
- Beer tasting by Excelsior Brewing
- Chair massages by Health Source Chiropractic of Minnetonka
- Ice carving demo
- Candlelight walk
- Pinecone hunt
- Photo booth
- Crafts and more!



Arctic bowling
Country Club Lanes
Saturday, 1:30-6 p.m.
Reserve a lane
952.474.5959

Saturday, January 19

**Shorewood
Freeman Park**

6000 Eureka Rd

- Sleigh rides 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Geocaching 11 a.m.
- Snowshoeing 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Dog sled rides 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Kid's jewel dig 11 a.m.
- Ice and snow games
- Llamas 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Snowga 12:30 p.m.

**Excelsior
Downtown**

- Magic Show, 10:30 a.m.
Excelsior Library
- Wagon rides 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Fat bike race 2 p.m.
- Cabin Fever Party, 3-11 p.m.
Excelsior Brewing
- Coloring contest, Library

*Library: 337 Water Street
Brewery: 421 Third Street*

**Tonka Bay
Manitou Park**

5418 Manitou Rd

**12:30-3:30 p.m. or as noted
Bonfire S'mores & cocoa**

- Snowshoeing 2-3:30 p.m.
- Snowmobile rides
- Fat tire bike rides
- Human bowling
- Snow golf
- Skating and photo board
- DNR snow and tell
- Manitou Mystery Mush
- Henn Cty Water Patrol

Sunday, January 20; 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Princess Brunch

Enjoy brunch at Lord Fletcher's with your princess, followed by crafts, character visits, music, stories, face painting, prizes including an American Girl Doll and more!

RSVP your reservation to 952.471.8513.

This is always a sell out, so register early!

www.arcticfever.net

Snowsculpt

Register your family or group to snowsculpt. It's free and you can win a great prize! Sculpting takes place, weather permitting, in Badger Park beginning January 12. All sculptures must be completed by 5 p.m. on January 18 for voting.

All levels and abilities encouraged! See the AF website for tips.

Hey kids ages 3-11: enter the 2019 Arctic Fever Coloring Contest! Color and drop off by Saturday, January 19 at 5:00 p.m. to the Hennepin County Excelsior Library, 337 Water Street, Excelsior. Prizes will be awarded in three categories: ages 3-5, 6-8, and 9-11. Winners will be notified by phone and names posted in the library. You may take your picture home after January 22.

Sponsored by the Friends of Excelsior Library and Artworks Art & Frame Inc.



(Print) First Name _____ Last Name _____

Age _____ Phone _____ (this will be cut off before hanging)