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Office Hours

Monday & Thursday 8:00am-12:00 Tuesday 2:00-6:00pm

April 2018 Newsletter

Dates to Remember

Saturday, May 5th!

Annual Spring Clean-up day

Hours are 7:00 am till 12:00 noon. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact the office at 763 878-0141. Check the website for additional information.

Saturday June 2, from 3 to 6pm

Open House for Lenore Johnson's Retirement

Spring and Summer Road Projects

April plans are to start some ditch infilling and sloping on Elder Ave (north of Hasty) in conjunction with Clearwater Township, as soon as the frost goes out of the ditches. This is to ready the road for a Chip Seal over gravel.

The Board has authorized a little over 8 miles of chip seal projects for this summer (likely starting in July). 4 miles will be an overlay of the current chip seal "ring" road (Barton, 155th and Curtis) and then 4.3 miles of other gravel roads (Estes, 127th, Armitage, Elder, Clementa & 159th) Maintenance will be shaping and packing the roads before chip sealing.

This is in addition to spring gravel hauling and spring grading and packing of all gravel roads. We plan on hauling around 10,000 vds. of gravel this season.

Elections

If you are interested in being an election judge this year, please call the office and let the clerk know. We will be using the new election equipment this year for registering new voters and signing in to vote.

The Town of Silver Creek

Do you know, there's another Silver Creek in MN? It's located in Lake County, encompassing Two Harbors and Castle Danger along the north shore of Lake Superior.

Our Silver Creek is 5th largest town in Wright County, out of 19 townships. Our Population is 2470, with 893 households, not counting the seasonal cabins. The Town of Rockford has the largest population of 3345 and the Town of Middleville, the smallest with 980 residents. Silver Creek has a larger population then the cities of Maple Lake, Howard Lake, Waverly, Clearwater and South Haven. Silver Creek has 66 miles of roads. Our Silver Creek will continue to grow.

Board of Supervisors

Mike Ludenia Chairman 320-980-0124 Dan Ness Vice Chair 320-260-1624 Sandy Forsman 763-878-2307 Barry Heikkinen 763 219-2696 Chris Klein 763-607-3422

P&Z Meeting

First Tuesday of Month 7:00pm

Supervisor Meetings

First Tuesday of Month, following the P & Z Meeting and the Third Tuesday of Month 7:00pm

Thanks Lenore for 40 years of Dedication as our Treasurer!

After 40 years of dedicated service to the residents of Silver Creek, Lenore Johnson has announced that she will retire from this important position June 1, 2018. She was first elected in 1978. Over the years she has worked with 8 Clerks and at least 25 Supervisors. There will be an **Open House** for her Saturday June 2, from 3 to 6 pm. Refreshments will be served. Please stop in and thank her for her service. Her knowledge will be greatly missed. She will also once again be helping at the Spring Clean-up day May 5, so you could stop in and say hello to her at that time also.

Snow Plowing and Mailboxes

The recent heavy snows have contributed to several mail box structures being damaged or knocked down. The plows did not hit your box, it is the snow coming off the plows and wings that will take out the mailbox.

If your mailbox post was damaged or broken, now would be a good time to upgrade to a new Town approved structure. The maintenance guys can install them this spring and summer. Cost is \$58.50

The Wright County Long Range Transportation Plan is being updated to prepare the County's transportation system for continued growth and corresponding travel needs over the next 20+years. Please visit the plan website www.wrightcountylrtp.com and help shape the Wright Co Lang Range Transportation Plan by clicking Take the Short Survey.

2018 Silver Creek Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting went very well. The 2019 tax levy was approved and set as \$145,000 for the general fund and \$645,000 for road and bridge funds, the same as previous years. The board will continue to work diligently with the funds, to maintain and improve the roads within the town.

There were questions related to residential garbage pickup and the number of haulers on our town roads. The question was asked, if it is possible to limit the haulers on our roads. There are 7 different haulers and of those, there are 2 smaller mom and pop types, 2 larger family business types and the others are larger regional or national companies. The trucks cause excess wear and tear to our town roads. At the request of those in attendance at the annual meeting, the board is studying and will be considering options with residential garbage pickup within the town, over the course of the summer/fall. Before any action

is taken there will be some type of communication to get your feedback first. In the meantime, please look at the different waste haulers on your road, neighborhood or around your lake. Try to work with your neighbors to select one hauler for your roads. That will have the greatest impact on the number of trucks on your road and reduce potential damage to our roads.

The board also heard feedback regarding our recycling contractor. We are currently working with West Central to ensure pick up of all recycling that is set out.

The other topic from the annual meeting was about the Town's Land Use Plan. Thank you to those that took the time after the meeting to share your opinions related to the plan. At this time, the board is considering options related to the plan. Your feedback would be greatly appreciated on this topic. Look for future communications by mail and the Town's website, requesting your opinion regarding the direction the board should take concerning the future plans for Silver Creek Township.