



Shafer Scoop

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January 2019

New Mayor and Council Members will be seated Monday, January 7, 2019

The General Election held on November 6, 2018 saw a huge turnout in the City of Shafer. There were three open seats on the ballot: one for Mayor and two for Council Member, all for 4-year terms. **Congratulations to incoming Mayor Paula Hanson and New Council Member Nick Brehm, and re-elected Council Member Patty Mattson.**

The three will take their oaths of office at the first Council meeting of the year to be held on January 7, 2019.



Water Bill Reminder

Just a reminder that the next quarterly water bills will be sent out the first week of January. Watch for your postcard in the mail. Call City Hall 651-257-4726 if not received by January 10. For your convenience there is a blue drop box for payments outside the city hall entrance. For payments the city only accepts cash, check or money order.



Pet Licenses for dogs and cats

The 2019 pet licenses are now available at the city clerk's office. You will need a copy of the animal's current rabies vaccination. Spayed or neutered animals are \$10.00 per year, non-spayed or non-neutered animals are \$15.00 per year.



Shafer/ Franconia Fire Department News

The Shafer/Franconia Fire Department meets twice a month on the first and third Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. On the first Wednesday of the month there is training held and a regular meeting. On the third Wednesday training is held. Public is welcome to attend.



Please recycle your cans in the can collection bin on the west side of the fire department. All proceeds go to the fire department.

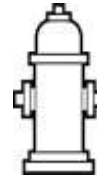
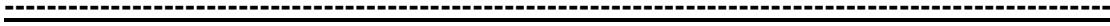
Shafer/Franconia Fire Department is hiring Firefighters. Applications are available at Shafer City Hall and on the city's website at www.shafermn.com

Winter and Snowplowing Season have arrived!

Reminder that there is no parking on any city street between 2am-6am *and* during a snow fall until they have been plowed curb to curb. The post office will not deliver your mail if they are unable to reach your mailbox. The city plow cannot completely clean out the areas in front of mail boxes so you will need to shovel out the snow in those areas.

Please keep garbage and recycling cans behind the curb.

Also, Minnesota State Statute 169.42 makes it illegal to plow snow across roads.



Please keep hydrants clear

If you have a fire hydrant on your property please keep it cleared of snow during the winter in case it is needed for a fire emergency. Thank you!



Adopt-A-Park Program

The Shafer Parks Commission announces there is an opportunity for residents to adopt the parks at Shafer Meadows, Buffalo Ridge, or Trail sections: Trail Head, Trail to the West, and the newest city park, Järnväg. The form for the Adopt-A-Park program is on the city’s website. If residents, businesses or other groups are interested you can download the form from the website or please contact city hall or attend a Parks Commission meeting. The Parks Commission meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 6:00pm at city hall.

The next Parks Commission meeting is **Monday, January 28, 2019.**



Openings on City Committees

Current openings on some of the city’s Committees:

Parks Commission = 2 openings, **Planning Commission** = 1 opening, **EDA** = 1 opening

The above committees/commissions meet once a month-see meetings on back page for dates & times.

Events Committee = 1 opening. Events meets up to 12 times a year, frequency gets closer leading up to Shafer Days, other meeting dates are less frequent.

If you are curious and interested in what any of the committees do please come to a meeting.



Do not flush!!!

Do not flush wipes, feminine hygiene products, paper towels and medication. Despite product labeling as flushable, certain items do not break down during the Wastewater Treatment process. They can cause expensive repairs when they clog up the sewer lines. Please dispose of trash appropriately.

Unused and/or expired medication (prescription and over-the-counter) needs to be disposed of properly. There is a **free** drop-off site at the Sheriff’s Office located in the new Public Safety Building at 15230 Per Rd, Center City.



HOCKEY DAY **MINNESOTA**



Saturday January 19, 2019

Come and join the Chisago Lakes Hockey Association for some winter fun at the Shafer Meadows Ice Rink.

Festivities and games include association hockey games, bon fires, food concessions and maybe more.

The final schedule will be posted on the city website and at the warming house as soon as it is available.



BEYOND THE YELLOW RIBBON

Chisago Lakes Beyond the Yellow Ribbon (CLBTYR)

We are currently working through a 16 step process to become a Yellow Ribbon community. The cities involved are Chisago City, Lindstrom, Center City, Shafer, and Taylor Falls. We work with the Chisago County Veterans office in assisting service members, veterans, and their families. New members are always welcome to join our task force and be placed on our ever growing list to be called upon when we need or to be kept up to date on what we are doing. The task force consists of people involved in City Council, Public Safety, Medical, Mental Health, Legal, School, Groups and Organizations, We are currently putting lists together for volunteers when they are needed. The kinds of help we can give to service members, veterans, and their families would be yardwork, childcare, general needs, transportation, moving, and events (set up, running the event, and breakdown). These are just some of the areas there are needs for. We have meetings the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting is **Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at the Shafer City Hall from 6:30-8 p.m. 17656 303rd St, Shafer MN 55074.** Any and all are welcome to attend.

Contact information Chisagolakesbtyr@gmail.com or like us on Facebook-Chisago Lakes Beyond the Yellow Ribbon. Website: www.chisagolakesbtyr.org

You can also contact the Chairman directly.

Chairman Cory Boogaard: cboogaard@hotmail.com or 763-232-5285.

Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Night with the MN Wild

Welcome to the 6th Annual Beyond The Yellow Ribbon Awareness Night with the MN Wild!

Thank you for your continued support of this great organization. This year's ticket package will include a new custom designed T- Shirt, pre-game on-ice photo, and entry into raffle for autographed items and game experiences. Plus, a portion of each ticket will be donated back to St Paul Beyond The Yellow Ribbon. The first 1,000 tickets purchased will also receive a BTYR Draw String Bag from Hiway Federal Credit Union. Please share this offer to help support a great night and great cause! For additional questions or support, please reach out to Matt Sayre at (651) 312 - 3479 or via email at msayre@wild.com.

WHAT: 6th Annual Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Night on Tuesday, Jan 15, 2019 vs. Los Angeles! Ticket package offer to service members, veterans and military families. To get access to the offer, simply click on the link: <https://offer.fevo.com/beyond-the-yellow-ribbon-fe4f56b?ref=MSAYRE>. Limited packages so get yours soon!

WHEN: Tuesday, January 15, 2019, 7PM

City of Shafer
17656 303rd Street
Shafer, MN 55074

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Holidays Observed

Shafer City Offices will be closed Monday, December 31, 2018, and Tuesday, January 1, 2019, in observance of New Year's Eve & Day and Monday, January 21, 2019 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Report street light outages

If you notice street lights out in your neighborhood or anywhere in the city, please make note of the pole location and number on the light pole if available and contact city hall 651/257-4726.

We will report any outages as quickly as possible to Xcel Energy.

City Hall 651-257-4726

City Fax 651-257-6916

Website: www.shafermn.com

Email: cityhall@shafermn.com

Shafer City Hall office hours are Mon- Fri 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Closed Noon-1:00 pm, unless otherwise posted.

All Meetings @ 7:00 p.m. at City Hall unless noted

Monday	January 7	City Council	Tuesday	January 22	Planning Commission
Tuesday	January 8	EDA	Monday	January 28	Parks 6:00
Tuesday	January 15	City Council			