



Shafer Scoop

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July 2018



WATER BILLS

Just a reminder that second quarter water bills will be sent out the week of July 2-6. Watch for your postcard in the mail. Call City Hall 651-257-4726 if not received by July 10. Payment is due by July 31, 2018.



Holiday Observed

The Shafer City Offices will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

2018 Street Maintenance-starting in July

Some Buffalo Ridge Streets, Fire Department and City Hall Parking lots

Note: This 2018 Street Maintenance work is not the assessable kind, but is planned and budgeted maintenance.

Step 1: Crack sealing will occur in July-**work to start week of July 9**

Step 2: Micro surfacing in August (start date to be determined).

ROUT & SEAL (Crack sealing)

Rout and seal is used on transverse (crosswise) and longitudinal cracks, involves using a pavement saw or router to create a reservoir centered over existing cracks, then filling with a sealant.

MICRO SURFACING

Micro surfacing involves placing a slurry—which is a mixture of aggregate, asphalt emulsion, and a mineral filler such as Portland cement—into a wide crack and striking it off with a squeegee. Slurry-filling cracks is good for roadways with severe transverse cracks and/or depressed transverse cracks. A 3-foot-wide squeegee, with sideboards, is typically used to feather the material into the depressed areas.

These are the streets in Buffalo Ridge that will be in the work area:

Roadway	To	From
Regal Ave	310th St	308th St
308th St	Regal Ave	Redwing Ave
Regal Ave	308th St	305th Ln
305th Ln	Redding Ave	Regal Ave
Redding Ave	Reflection Ave	305th Ln
306th St	Regal Ave	Cul-de-Sac
306th St	Regal Ave	East Plat Boundary

Fahrner Asphalt is the company doing the work. They will be notifying residents in the work zone with door knockers 1-2 days in advance of the actual work. This work will affect your street for approximately 1-2 days. The street will be shut down for portions of the day while work is being done.

If you have any questions, please contact the Fahrner representative, Jason Pearson, @ 651-346-9026 or city engineer Lucas Jones, MSA Professional Services 612-548-3126.

The Fire Department and City Hall/Public Works parking lots will also be in the work zone.

Shafer Oaks work anticipated to start in July 2018

Developer Paxmar has purchased the Shafer Oaks property and has reached an agreement with the city to move forward on completing the necessary improvements and begin new home construction. The Shafer Oaks development was originally platted and approved back in 2005 for 36 homes. The work had been started but not completed by the previous developer before the big crash of 2008. If you're not familiar with the name or location, Shafer Oaks is the property where the barricaded street (No Thru Street/the street sign is not up yet) connects Redwing Ave/County Rd 21 to Buffalo Ridge. Work is anticipated to start in July.

INSTALLING A PARKING PAD THIS SUMMER??

If you are planning to install a parking pad please remember to **call 811 for utility locates prior to digging**. See Ordinance 904.11 for the accepted material and guidelines for the parking pad. There is no permit required for the parking pad itself, as it is considered landscaping.

However, if your parking pad is going to encroach into the road right-of-way make sure you obtain a Right-Of-Way permit to do any work in the road right-of-way.

WHEN IN DOUBT CALL CITY HALL. FEES ARE DOUBLED IF YOU DO THE WORK AND DO NOT GET A RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMIT.

Building Permits are required for most projects-when in doubt CALL City Hall

Building permits/zoning permits are required for most projects, including decks, sheds, fences and pools. Check the city's website for application forms. If you are in doubt if your project needs a permit, call City Hall 651-257-4726. If a project is done that requires a permit without obtaining one, the fees are doubled.

You MUST CALL 811 for utility locates for any project that requires digging.

If you are thinking of putting in a swimming pool this summer, check Chapter 9 of the city code for requirements or stop by City Hall. Filling pools from fire hydrants is prohibited without prior authorization of the Public Works Director and rental of the hydrant meter.

You can check the city's website for all city codes: www.shafermn.com



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.



2018 is an Election Year!

There are 3 seats (4-year terms) that are up for election this year.

The Mayor's seat and 2 Councilmember seats will be on the ballot in November. If you're thinking about running for Council it is encouraged that you come to the meetings to get up to speed on the current issues being heard by the Council.

Council meetings are held at 7:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month at Shafer City Hall, 17656 303rd St, Shafer MN 55074

The filing period for 2018's general election is July 31 through August 14. You can learn more about becoming a candidate at the Minnesota Secretary of State website at this link: www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/

Affidavits of Candidacy for the above offices may be filed with the city clerk at Shafer City Hall, 17656 303rd Street, Shafer, MN 55074 between 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 31, 2018 and 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 14, 2018. Cost is \$2.00.

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Chisago County – New Election Equipment On Display

The new voting system that will be used starting in 2018 will be on public display at:

- Chisago County Government Center from July 2 - August 13
- North Branch City Hall from July 5 - 27

For more information about the new voting system you may contact the Chisago County Auditor-Treasurer's Office by email at elections@chisagocounty.us by phone (651)213-8500 or visit the County website <http://www.chisagocounty.us>

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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.

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 of Shafer
17656 303rd Street
Shafer, MN 55074

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Watch the Skies for Severe Weather



With the chance of severe weather upon us, this is a reminder that severe weather warnings are indicated by a long steady tone from the city's siren.

Shafer Days 2018 dates are September 14 & 15

Watch the upcoming newsletters and the city's website for information as it becomes available.

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

Tuesday July 3 City Council
Tuesday July 10 EDA
Tuesday July 17 City Council

Monday July 23 Parks 6:00 pm
Monday July 23 Events Committee
Tuesday July 24 Planning Commission