

SPRING 2018

SEASONS OF SPRING PARK

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



FROM YOUR MAYOR

Hello Spring Park! 2018 is moving pretty quickly, after all, we've done two of the "Big Three Things"! What are the Big Three Things? First, "Spring Ahead"; second, the first day of Spring; and third, "Spring Ice Out" on Lake Minnetonka.

We're rapidly approaching April 15, the average ice out date on Lake Minnetonka. Early indicators show that it was a great year for ice making! Last year at this time we were already enjoying open waters. This season, it's very different! We're on target for a "normal" ice out. But when it happens, I'm sure we will all be ready.

Last fall the outdoor storage ordinance for the residential district was adopted by the City Council. Once the spring and summer weather returns we'll be treated to clean yards to enhance our beautiful city.

This ordinance was the result of the hard work of the Planning Commission. Now they are beginning the next phase which is the commercial district outdoor storage ordinance. If you have thoughts on this topic, make sure to share them with City staff, City Council Members, or Planning Commissioners. This is a great time to be a part of the planning process. Your input counts!

Finally, we have a special milestone to celebrate in Spring Park. Lord Fletcher's Restaurant is turning 50 years old! This is of particular importance to Spring Park because it's a well known national, if not international, destination. Lord Fletcher's is an excellent landmark for our City because at their foundation they are a good neighbor. We appreciate and celebrate their milestone and the City Council will be declaring May 23, 2018 as "Lord Fletcher's Day" in Spring Park.

Here's a fun fact...and it's hard to believe...but I was Mayor in 1968 when Lord Fletcher's opened for business. But more important, in 1966 there was a Council vote to rezone the tax delinquent property. This was when Bob Naegele, Sr. and Horace Murfin originally proposed building the restaurant. There was a public hearing and the chambers was packed! It was extremely controversial and there was a huge opposition to it. The Council vote was 1-no, 1-abstain, 2-yes, and then I voted "yes" as Mayor. Ahhhhh great memories!

Now...we just need to get that final of the "Big Three", the ice off the lake, to put the "Spring" back in Spring Park!

Thanks again for electing me as your Mayor!

Jerry Rockvam

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IMPORTANT DATES

Council Meetings: 7:00 p.m.

Apr 2, 16; May 7, 21; June 4, 18

Council Work Sessions: 6 p.m.

Apr 16; May 21; June 18

Planning Commission: 7 p.m.

Apr 11; May 9; June 13

Open Book Meeting: 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Apr 18

No Sort Recycling: Fridays

Apr 6, 20; May 4, 18;

June 2 (Sat), 15, 29

Utility Bills Due: Monday, May 7

Spring Clean-Up Day:

Saturday, May 12

Spring Park Residents Only

Office Closed: May 28

Summer Hours:

Memorial Day to Labor Day

Mon - Thurs 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.;

Fri 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.



BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT



MAY 23, 2018
LORD FLETCHER'S DAY



PRSR STD
ECRWSS
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
EDDM RETAIL

*****ECRWSEDDM****
Residential Customer
Spring Park, MN 55384

Office Hours: M-Fri 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Summer: M-Th 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.;
Fri 7:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Phone: 952-471-9051
Web: www.ci.spring-park.mn.us



HELP WANTED: ELECTION JUDGES



The City of Spring Park needs Election Judges for the August 14 Primary Election and the November 6 General Election. Election Judges provide a great service to the community and serve a vital role in the democratic process.

Election Judge pay: \$9.50/hour

Per State Law you must be:

- A U.S. citizen
- Eligible to vote in Minnesota
- At least 18 years old
- Able to read, write and speak English
- Able to attend 2 hours of required, paid training

The polls are open on Election Day from 7:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. Election Judges are able to be scheduled to work a full or partial day. Hours are available from 5:45 a.m. to approximately 10:00 p.m.

If interested, download an application at www.ci.spring-park.mn.us/vote. Please return your application no later than September 1, 2018:

E-mail: tschyma@ci.spring-park.mn.us

Mail: Spring Park City Hall, 4349 Warren Avenue, Spring Park, MN 55384

Any questions? Call Theresa at 952-471-9051.



RECYCLING UPDATES

Spring Clean-Up Day

Saturday, May 12 is the semi-annual cleanup event for Spring Park residents and apartments. (see attached flyer for details)

Missed Pick-up?

If ever your recycling containers are not picked-up on the designated recycling day, please call Theresa at 952-471-9051 so that staff can notify the City's recycling contractor. As a reminder, please have recycling containers out for pick-up by 7 a.m.

FROM THE CITY DESK

Summer Hours Reminder

City Hall summer office hours are effective Monday, May 21 and run through Friday, August 31.

Hydrant Flushing

Hydrants will be flushed in late April/early May.

CONGRATS SHANE!

Athlete Receives Top Honor

Spring Park resident Shane Wiskus is a freshman at the University of Minnesota and was recently named the Big Ten Gymnast of the Year. Shane was also the youngest male gymnast to be named to the U.S. Senior National Team in February with the hopes of participating in the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo, Japan.

Shane represents Spring Park well and has a bright future ahead of him. We wish Shane the best of luck at the Big Ten Championships and NCAA Championships in April!