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LAKE SIDE Bulletin

Fourth Quarter Edition – 2021

October

- 6. Plan Commission Meeting – 7 pm
- 8. Cedar Lake Chamber of Commerce Gala, 6:30-10:30, Lighthouse Restaurant
Call 219-374-6157 for more information
- 12. Storm Water Board Meeting – 6:30 pm
- 13. Cedar Lake Farmers Market – 3 - 8 pm
- 14. Board of Zoning Appeals – 7 pm
- 18. Redevelopment Commission Meeting – 6 pm
- 19. Utility Board & Town Council Meetings – 6:30 pm
- 20. Unsafe Building Meeting – 6 pm / Plan Commission Meeting – 7 pm
- 27. Cedar Lake Farmers Market – 3 - 8 pm / Board of Safety Meeting – 6 pm
- 30. Trunk or Treat 11 am – 3 pm - Sponsored by the Town and the South Shore Convention & Visitors Authority
(www.alongthesouthshore.com)

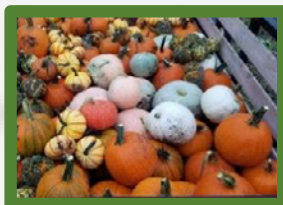


**Trunk or Treat 2021
October 30th from 11-3**



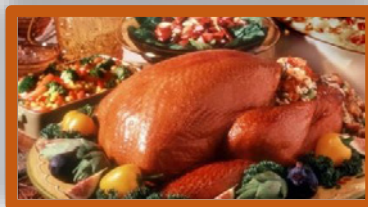
November

- 2. Town Council Meeting – 7 pm
- 3. Plan Commission Meeting – 7 pm
- 9. Storm Water Board Meeting – 6:30 pm
- 10. Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting – 7 pm
- 11. Veterans Day – Town Offices Closed
- 15. Redevelopment Commission Meeting – 6 pm
- 16. Utility Board & Town Council Meetings – 6:30 pm
- 17. Unsafe Building Meeting – 6 pm / Plan Commission Meeting – 7 pm
- 20. Jean Eberle Parade of Lights / Wonderland of Christmas Trees on Display
- 24. Board of Safety Meeting – 6 pm
- 25 & 26. Thanksgiving and Day After – Town Offices Closed



December

- 1. Plan Commission Meeting – 7 pm
- 7. Town Council Meeting – 7 pm
- 9. Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting – 7 pm
- 14. Storm Water Board Meeting – 6:30 pm
- 15. Unsafe Building Meeting – 6 pm / Plan Commission Meeting – 7 pm
- 20. Redevelopment Commission Meeting – 6 pm
- 21. Utility Board & Town Council Meetings – 6:30 pm
- 22. Board of Safety Meeting – 6 pm
- 24 & 27. Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Observed – Town Offices Closed
- 31. New Year's Day Observed – Town Offices Closed



Enjoy a cornucopia of Holiday Festivities



"Explore Everyday"
at the Lake because
every day at the lake
is a great day!

Veterans Day ~ November 11



The Redevelopment Commission has purchased banners to be placed along 133rd Corridor to honor and thank all those who serve or have served.

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance and thus November 11 became a national holiday, beginning in 1938, in honor of the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" of 1918 that signaled the end of World War I, known as Armistice Day. Veterans Day pays tribute to all veterans, living or deceased, but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime. In 1954, President Dwight Eisenhower officially changed the name of the holiday from Armistice Day to Veterans Day. According to the National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics (NCVAS), there are approximately 19.5 million veterans in the United States, of which 2 million are women and about 9 million are over the age of 65.

The Town of Cedar Lake currently employs a total of 14 veterans: 3 at Public Works, 4 at the Fire Department, and 7 at the Police Department. Thank you to all of our staff and our community veterans! We appreciate your service to our country and community!

TRICK OR TREAT HOURS:

Sunday, October 31, 2021 from 5-7 pm

The Cedar Lake Police Department will have extra patrols out this Halloween for trick-or-treat hours. Please be sure to dress safe and have lights with you.

Halloween Safety Tips

1. Children should trick-or-treat during daylight hours.
2. Children should never be allowed to go out alone on Halloween.
3. Children should never eat any treats until examined.
4. Advise children that they should never enter strangers' homes.
5. Never invite children into your home.
6. Children should never accept rides from strangers.
7. Children should never take shortcuts through backyards or alleys.
8. Set a specific time limit for your children to be out on Halloween night.
9. Instruct children not to stray from their group.
10. A responsible adult should escort children while trick-or-treating.
11. Adult escorts should carry flashlights.
12. Don't leave your home unattended on Halloween night.
13. Keep pets inside your home or another safe place on Halloween night.
14. Children should walk, not run, during trick-or-treat activities.
15. Parents should know what route their children will be taking.
16. All costumes should be made of light-colored, fireproof material.
17. Children should wear proper fitting, comfortable costumes, and shoes.
18. Props such as toy guns or swords should be made of pliable material.
19. Realistic replica firearms should never be used.
20. Children should always use sidewalks, not the street, for walking.
21. Children should look in all directions before crossing the street.

Public Works:

- As of September 17th, the Water Department has installed 354 meters this year.
- You may notice some new street signs at major intersections this fall. The Public Works started installing new street and stop signs on Morse Street south of Constitution Avenue.
- Disconnect your hose from your hose bib before it freezes outside

**Leaf Pickup Starts October 1st and runs
until the first snow or the ground freezes.
Branch Pickup has ended.**

Branches may be dropped off to Public Works.



From the Desk of Rick Eberly, Town Manager

Building Permits Year to Date: We are experiencing a record year regarding the issuance of new residential building permits. In 2020 we broke the record for total residential building permits issued in any one year with the 279 such permits having been issued. As of the end of August of this year the number of of new construction permits issued was 272 which would put us on a pace to issue more than 400 new construction permits this year. In any event, we expect to easily surpass last year’s record.

Road Projects: The W. 129th Avenue road project is substantially complete with final completion expected by the end of September. Due to the proximity of the town owned Clubhouse property to this project we were able to get very good pricing on the renovation of the Clubhouse parking lot which was in need of repaving so we had that work done at the same time.

133rd and King Dr. intersection project is substantially complete at this time however, final completion is delayed awaiting the delivery of the decorative stop light poles for the stop lights that are mounted on the north side of 133rd Avenue. The delivery of the decorative poles was delayed several weeks so the contractor installed temporary poles in the meantime so that the signals could become operational. Fairbanks St. pavement improvements were scheduled to be substantially complete by October 1st with final completion due by October 22nd.

Minor paving repair projects are still anticipated to be completed this year on the following roads:

11300 block of W. 131 st Pl.	11300 block of W. 132 nd Ave.
13200 block of Forestdale	14100 block of Highland St.
14100 block of Cottage Grove Ave.	9400 block of W. 141 st Pl.
W. 135 th Ave. east of Morse	W. 137 th Pl. east of Morse
W. 137 th Ln. east of Morse	W. 140 th Ave. east of Morse

We have submitted an application for 50/50 funding of a road improvement project on Parrish Avenue between W. 133rd Ave. and W. 137th Ave. as well as for work on Vermillion. That is known as the Community Crossing Matching Grant program funding. This work is scheduled for 2022.

Lake Eco-Restoration Project: Design work on the Lake Eco Restoration project is ongoing and the project is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2022.

Park Projects: We expect that the new permanent bathroom facility will be constructed yet this year at Bartlett Wahlberg Park. We hope to also construct a pavilion by the end of this year but the lead time on the ordering of materials for that facility may cause that to be delayed until the spring of next year. We are working on a plan to bring new playground equipment to several of our parks in 2022. This new equipment will be geared toward 2-5-year-old children. We are looking to install this equipment at Kiwanis Park, Lynnsway Park, Monastery Woods North, and Woods of Cedar Creek. Additionally, we are considering putting pavilions in a few of our parks and basketball courts in a couple of parks as well. All this work would take place in 2022.

Sump Pump and Downspout Inspections: We will be conducting an inspection program in the near future of sump pump discharges and downspout connections on private properties. We believe that there are a large number of improper hookups of sump pumps and downspouts into our sanitary system that is resulting in storm water infiltrating into our sanitary sewer system. That storm water needs to be eliminated from the sanitary system in an effort to free up capacity in the system for its intended purpose. If we can eliminate the storm water infiltration we can save on the cost of pumping and treating that water that was not intended to be pumped or treated. We anticipate calling property owners to make appointments for these inspections. We would then send inspectors out at the appointed times to make these inspections.

The Chiefs’ Corner



Holiday Shopping Safety Tips for the 12 Days of Christmas – Bill Fisher, Chief of Police

1. Be alert & aware! Maintain confident body language so criminals pass you over for a “softer” target.
2. Keep shopping bags, valuables, purses, and wallets close to you. Keep purses or bags closed. The more expensive an item, the closer to your body it should be. Keep a firm grip.
3. Supervise children at all times.
4. Recognize that there is safety in numbers. Shop with friends & relatives; don’t go alone.
5. Place valuables in the trunk before you go shopping. Criminals are in the parking lots watching what you put in your car.
6. Do not be distracted when walking (talking on phone, texting, tweeting). Watch out for loiterers near your vehicle. Have an employee walk you to your car if you feel uncomfortable.
7. Park in well-lit, well-trafficked areas of parking lots. Avoid secluded & dark areas, so confrontations can be seen and yells for help heard.
8. Have your keys in your free hand before approaching the car. It saves time getting into the car; the keys can be used as an improvised weapon if necessary. Lock the door immediately.
9. Get in your car and leave. Don’t start texting or talking on the phone or balancing your checkbook. Lock the doors and leave.
10. Watch out for friendly strangers. They may ask a question or offer to assist you with your bags to distract you or put you in a compromising situation.
11. Shopping online? Make sure you are dealing with a reputable online store. Have a secure network connection. Before entering your payment information, make sure the page is encrypted and secure. Keep your anti-virus, anti-phishing software up-to-date. Check the return policy before placing the order. Use security camera devices/systems &/or package tracking to monitor the delivery schedule; watch your porch for porch thefts.
12. After opening gifts, don’t advertise to criminals of your big-ticket item with your trash. Tear down and cut up product boxes into small pieces to fit into garbage and recycling cans.



Preventing Holiday Fires and Outdoor Fires – Shared by Chief Todd Wilkening



- Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep lit candles away from children, pets, decorations, or any flammable items.
- Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
- Replace strings of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections.
- Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- Test your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Open burning is not allowed in Cedar Lake.
- Use battery-operated candles to light Jack-O-Lanterns or luminary decorations.

