



Shafer Scoop

City of Shafer is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer

June 2018



2018 City Wide Garage Sale Dates – May 31, June 1 and 2.



Shafer Compost Site is Open ☺

The Shafer compost site is again open from dawn to dusk, 7 days a week. The compost site is to be used by Shafer residents only and can only be used to dispose of grass clippings, leaves and branches up to 3 inches in diameter.



Summer is a popular time for outdoor fires. Please see the city’s website for the complete ordinance. BURNING OF GARBAGE IS PROHIBITED.

The following is an excerpt from Chapter 5, Part 8:

Part 8. Recreational Fires and Open Burning

508.02 OPEN BURNING GENERALLY PROHIBITED (10-2000)

From and after the effective date of this ordinance, except as herein otherwise provided, open burning shall be prohibited within the City of Shafer.

508.03 EXCEPTIONS AND EXEMPTIONS (10-2000)

Open burning of the types, and subject to the conditions, as hereinafter stated, shall be exempt from the prohibition of Section 5 of this ordinance.

A. Recreational Fires.

1. Recreational Fire Site – Requirements. An area of no more than a three (3) foot diameter circle (measured from the inside of the fire ring or border); completely surrounded by non-combustible and non-smoke or odor producing material, either of natural rock, cement, brick, tile or block of ferrous metal only and which area is depressed below ground, on the ground, or on a raised bed.. Included are permanent outdoor wood burning fireplaces. Recreation fire sites shall not be located closer than fifteen (15) feet from any property line. Burners are not a recreational fire site as defined herein.
2. Recreational Fire Burn – Requirements. When a fire is used for recreational purposes, it must be ignited with an approved starter fluid using dry, clean wood; producing little detectable smoke, odor or soot beyond the property line; conducted with an adult (over the age of 21 years) tending the fire at all time; a garden hose hooked to the water supply shall be available; extinguished completely before quitting the occasion; and respecting weather conditions, neighbors, burning bans, and air quality so that nuisance health or safety hazards will not be created. Mobile cooking devices such as manufactured hibachis, charcoal grills, wood smoker, and propane or natural gas devices are not defined as a recreational fire.



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/

More info will follow in upcoming newsletters on where, when and the cost to file to become a candidate.



Chisago Lakes is working on establishing our community as a Yellow Ribbon Community!

Kick-Off Event on Saturday June 2nd, 2018 hosted at LAKES FREE CHURCH, 29620 Olinda Trail, Lindstrom MN 55045 10:00AM –Noon

For more info on the Beyond The Yellow Ribbon program check out the website: www.BeyondTheYellowRibbon.org

Our New Park has been named!

The new park to the south/east of the city's Public Works Building has been named. The Parks Commission chose from 4 submissions and the winner is "**Järnväg Park**" (meaning railroad in Swedish). This is fitting due to the former route of the old railroad that once ran through Shafer as well as keeping with our area's Swedish heritage. The name will be inscribed on a brass plate and mounted on the new bench that was just installed along the bike path.



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.

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.

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.

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 June 5 City Council

Monday June 25 Parks 6:00 pm

Tuesday June 12 EDA

Monday June 25 Events Committee

Tuesday June 19 City Council

Tuesday June 26 Planning Commission