



Shafer Scoop

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May 2023

SHAHER DAYS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Shafer Events Committee is looking for volunteers to help with planning and executing Shafer Days 2023 events.
The next meeting of the Events Committee is **Monday May 22, 2023 5:00p.m.** at City Hall.
Your ideas and participation are welcomed!



PLAN AHEAD:

- 2023 City Wide Garage Sale Dates – June 1, 2 and 3
- 2023 National Night Out – Tuesday August 1 – Shafer Meadows Park 6-8pm
- 2023 Shafer Days – Friday September 15 and Saturday September 16



WATER SHUT-OFF NOTICE

If your water bill has not been paid or arrangements made by Wednesday May 17, 2023 @ 9:00 am, the water to your property will be shut off.

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.

***FOR AN ONLINE PAYMENT OPTION SIGN UP WITH YOUR BANK'S BILL PAY SERVICE.
Allow enough time for payment to reach the city.***



Consumer Confidence Report

The Consumer Confidence Report for the City of Shafer was mailed out in April. This report shows the results of the City of Shafer's drinking water testing for the time period of January 1 to December 31, 2022.

It is also available on the city's website on the Public Works/Maint department tab.

www.shafermn.com/maint.html



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

§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. 5 - 45 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 nonsmoke 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 devices are not defined as a recreational fire.



Shafer/ Franconia Fire Department News



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



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

Building permits/zoning permits are required for most projects, including decks, fences, sheds and pools. Check the city's website for application forms.

If you are not sure if your project needs a permit, call City Hall 651-257-4726 ext 0 or call Building Official Chisago County at 651-213-8372. For a completed project that requires a permit without obtaining one, the fees are doubled.

NO WORK MAY BE DONE IN THE CITY'S ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY WITHOUT A PERMIT (e.g., Driveways and irrigation systems). The city issues all Right-of-Way permits for city streets.

***Please check the city's website for all city codes and information:
www.shafermn.com or contact city hall 651-257-4726 ext 0***

Shafer Compost Site is Closed

Due to such a snowy winter, the ground is very wet

The site will be opened up once the ground hardens a little more.

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.

Any questions please call city hall or public works 651-257-4726 ext 2.

City offices closed Monday May 29, 2023

City Hall will be closed on Monday May 29, 2023 in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

Openings on City Committees

Current openings on some of the city’s Committees:

Parks Commission = 1 opening, volunteers welcome!

Events Committee = 1 openings, volunteers welcome!

Planning Commission = 1 opening, next meeting is May 23, 2023 at 7pm.

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

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

Do not flush!!!

Do not flush articles of clothing, wipes, feminine hygiene products, paper towels and medication. Despite some 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 (closest street address and cross street) and contact city hall **651-257-4726 ext 0.**

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

City of Shafer
17656 303rd Street
Shafer, MN 55074

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED



. See suspicious activity in your neighborhood?

The **Chisago County Sheriff's Office** is always seeking information regarding suspicious activity and they need your help. Forward any information to them, no matter how insignificant it may appear. If you see someone or something suspicious that may cause immediate life-threatening danger, report it to the nearest law enforcement agency, or police officer, or call 9-1-1.

Call: (651) 257-4100 non-emergency or Email: CPSheriff@chisagocounty.us

City Hall 651-257-4726 ext. 0
Website: www.shafermn.com

City Fax 651-257-6916
Email: cityhall@shafermn.com

Shafer City Hall office hours are:
Mon– Thurs 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Closed Daily Noon-1:00 pm
Fridays 8:00 – Noon

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

Tuesday May 2 City Council
Tuesday May 9 EDA
Tuesday May 16 City Council

Monday May 22 Events 5:00 PM
Monday May 22 Parks 6:00 PM
Tuesday May 23 Planning Commission

Zoom meeting links can be found on the city's website calendar for all Council meetings.
[City of Shafer, Minnesota 55074 - Official City Website \(shafermn.com\)](http://www.shafermn.com)