



## SPRING/SUMMER 2021

# CARES Fund Building Updates

The City of Lake Shore was awarded a significant amount of money from the Covid 19 Relief Package.

That money was used to improve the offices to make the facilities safer during the Covid 19 pandemic. These improvements included:

- Moving the staff offices to an area near the entry and created an isolated reception area. The walk ins now do not wander through the building to see staff. Communication is possible through the opening at the pass-through window, with staff and walk ins in different rooms.
- We added a pass-through window (bullet resistant) between the reception area and the staff office, with a transaction counter at the window.
- We added power openers to the entry door, and the door from the reception area to the inner offices. This minimizes the hand touching of the doors to open them. This also makes these doors ADA compliant.
- During the construction of the new walls isolating the reception area from the office areas we added a bullet resistant mesh to the wall construction. Along with the bullet resistant glass the reception room is now isolated from the office and council chambers area for safety of staff and others in the council area.
- The door from the reception area to the Council Chamber area is normally locked and can be unlocked remotely by a staff member to let someone into the space after identifying who they are.
- We previously added an air exchanger to the heating/cooling system serving the office/ council chambers area. This brings in tempered fresh air to the space while exhausting stale air.

# STEPS TO THE LAKE or SHORELINE WORK?

Are you considering constructing steps to the lake or creating a trail or pathway to the lake? Do you have ice damage this year? Planning to do work along or near the shore? The city requires a zoning permit for these items. Steps or a pathway to lake can only be four feet in width. Carpenter steps are the preferred method rather than steps cut into the earth and requiring alteration to the



land. There is a limit on the amount of earth movement within the bluff and near shore area so it is best to check to see if your proposed path or steps to the lake is feasible.

If you have ice damage to your shoreline and would like to it, a permit is now required. A photo of the damaged shoreline is required for the permit and the fee is \$50. It is best to contact the Planning & Zoning Office before beginning a project at 963-2148 or email the Zoning Administrator at thastings@cityoflakeshore.com.



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# Police Notes: Message from the Chief

# Emergency Services Appreciation Day

On Thursday, May 20th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Fritz Loven Park, the Lake Shore Park & Recreation Committee will be hosting an Emergency Services Appreciation Day at the park. Please come out and meet the members of the Lake Shore Police Department, Nisswa Fire & Rescue, North Ambulance and other area police departments. Police vehicles, fire trucks, ambulance and other emergency vehicles will be on display for the public. Emergency personnel will discuss and demonstrate the equipment and services they provide. Please bring your kids and come out for the evening. Barbecued pulled pork sandwiches, chips, s'mores and refreshments will be provided.

### TZD (Toward Zero Deaths)

The Lake Shore PD is partnering with the Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety and the Cass County Sheriff's Office in providing additional patrols enforcing seat belt use, watching for distracted drivers, speeders and arresting DWI offenders on selected roadways throughout Cass County. The city receives full reimbursement for the costs of providing the additional enforcement. TZD is driving Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths on our roads by reducing serious injuries and deaths through enforcement, education, engineering and emergency medical & trauma services.

### Easter Egg Hunt -Thank You!

Approximately 200 kids participated in our annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 3rd at Fritz Loven Park. The weather was absolutely perfect with temperatures near 70 degrees and sunny skies. Everyone had a great time and collected lots of eggs filled with candy, coins and pizza certificates from Zorbaz.

This year, to comply with executive orders we had three egg hunts which

started at 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 1:00 p.m. This allowed us



to have smaller more manageable groups and parking was not an issue.

A special thanks to the Lake Shore Park & Recreation Committee, Pequot Lakes Eagles 4H Club and Nisswa Royalty and a handful of local residents who helped make this year so successful.

Thanks to the following businesses for their generous donation toward our Easter egg hunt. Nisswa Automotive, Anv Occasion Pyrotechnics, Sherwood Forest, Sandy Beach Resort, Representative John Poston, Poston's Property Management, Kids Against Hunger, Iron Waffle, Salon 77, SNK Car Wash & Oil Change, First Western Bank, Widseth Smith Nolting, Gammello-Pearson Law Office, Zorbaz on Gull, Cowboys, and the City of Lake Shore & staff.

**SAVE THE DATE! Emergency Services Appreciation Day** Thursday, May 20th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Fritz Loven Park HOSTED BY THE LAKE SHORE PARKS & REC COMMITTEE

# Roads Report: Spring 2021 Update

Update Provided By: Wayne Anderson , Council Liaison. The committee is charged with advising the City Council on items related to the City's roads and also its wastewater system.

The Roads/Wastewater committee completed a busy year in 2020.

Reconstruction work was completed on Wienzel Point Road, Pamela Drive, Jacobs Road, Ebert Drive and Portview Road West. The work was combined in one contract to save costs.

Chip sealing was completed at the streets that were completed in 2019, which included Whitstrom Road, Pohl Road, and Point Narrows Road. The chip sealing is intended to extend the life of new asphalt roads. Chip sealing will be completed in 2021 on the five roads that were rebuilt in 2020.

The City was petitioned by residents on Robinhood Way to add asphalt paving to the existing gravel road from the intersection with Little John to the northern end of the City maintained segment. That work is scheduled to be completed in 2021.

The sewer line that runs under Wienzel Point Road has typically frozen and the lift station has needed to be manually pumped during frigid winters at considerable expense. Since Wienzel Point Road was being rebuilt anyway the opportunity was used to insulate that line. It appears the insulation was a success as the area experienced a very cold snap during February and there were no freeze ups on this sewer line.

# From Mayor Krista Knudsen



### COVID-19 & Local Governmental Updates

We have passed the one-year mark of the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. So much has changed during this year. However, I'm excited to announce that it has been decided to reopen city hall for inperson business once again. It is believed that with the new upgrades to the functionality and safety of city hall, business can be conducted with more

thorough COVID-19 precautions. All committee and council meetings are also being held within council chambers with telephonic participation if needed or desired. All relevant CDC guidelines are being followed to ensure the safety of committee members and public participants.

The city has been informed that we can anticipate receiving another significant amount of federal funding from the recently passed American Relief Program. We are awaiting further guidance on the qualifying uses and stipulations for this money. As more becomes known, the council will again research and debate the best possible uses for this unexpected funding. It is believed that we will have until 2024 to utilize these funds, so more thorough and long-range planning may be applicable.

# **Parks and Recreation**

Update Provided By: Henry Cote, Council Liaison

### Trail 77 Update

The City of Lake Shore has received two grants (Federal Recreation Trail Grand and Legacy) to provide funding for the pedestrian trail alongside 77. Additional funding is still needed but the city has applied

for other grants as well as allocating funds from other sources that will cover the difference. Construction will hopefully begin in the spring of 2022. The expansion of the walking bridge between bar harbor and Zorbaz may be postponed in order to make the project more affordable. The city is continuing to work hard to make this happen for the community.







# BROADBAND COMMITTEE UPDATE

### **GRANT APPLICATION NOT APPROVED**

The MN Broadband Development Grant application submitted by the city of Lake Shore with Charter/Spectrum was not approved, due to a TDS challenge. Due to this challenge, the city of Lake Shore will not eligible for any MN Broadband Development grant funds for 18 months.

Fortunately, new funding opportunities for broadband infrastructure are being explored, both through MN DEED and federal programs.

#### **STAR LINK**

StarLink, a low orbit satellite service, is expected to be available to area residents in 2021, and is expected to provide consistent speeds of 150 Mbps.

Coming soon to the city website: Tips for Improving Internet Speeds

The Broadband Committee is putting together a fact sheet on simple steps any resident can do to help increase their internet speeds. Though none of the ideas will magically make high-speed internet a reality for everyone, every little step that is taken can help make the best of what service you currently do have. Check out the city website later this Spring for the Fact Sheet.

CASS COUNTY Household Hazardous Waste Day June 24th, 1 to 4 p.m. East Gull Lake City Hall

PAPER SHREDDING EVENT Friday, June 25th, 12 to 1 p.m. Lake Shore City Hall Parking Lot

Do you have boxes filled with old paperwork...sensitive or confidential paperwork? The city will host Paper Storm, a mobile paper shredding service that shreds your material on the spot. Paper can be stapled, paper clipped or rubber banded. No cost to Lake Shore Residents.



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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Regular meetings of the City Council are held the fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Household Hazardous Waste Day June 24th, 1 to 4 p.m. - East Gull Lake City Hall

Paper Shredding Event June 25th, 12 to 1 p.m. - Lake Shore City Hall Board of Adjustment/Planning Commission

John Terwilliger - Liaison Jim Woll - Chair Glen Gustafson, Gene Hagen, Arla Johnson, Robert Toborg Alternates: Pat Hastings, Shawn Hansen

#### **Environmental Committee**

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