

# City of Lake Shore

## NEWSLETTER

MAYOR'S REPORT  
JOHN TERWILLIGER

Fall 2014

### Elections

Tuesday, November 4, 2014

#### Lake Shore Candidates:

##### Mayor

John Poston

##### Council

Doug Miller  
John Terwilliger

If you are unable to vote on election day City Hall will be open Saturday, November 1st from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for absentee voting.

There is always repair work to be done on city property. Buildings, sidewalks, and roads all need to be kept up. If you were inside City Hall during one of our recent rainstorms you probably saw the tubs placed to catch water from the leaky roof! Since then our roof has been repaired. Next year repairs are scheduled for the cement at the entrance to the building.

Road repair has been completed for the season. The residents of 72<sup>nd</sup> Street are pleased with the black topping done on that road.

We have a newer fire truck thanks to the Nisswa Fire Department. The city has a contract with them for our fire protection.

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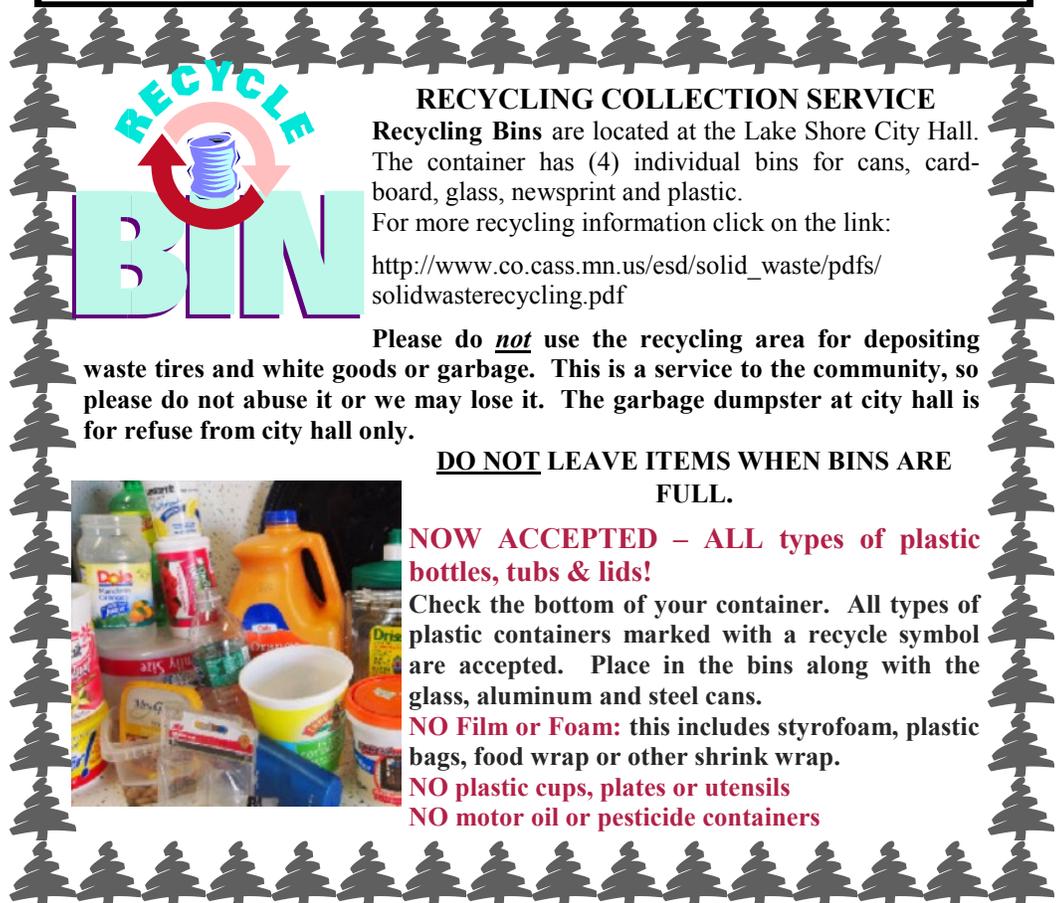
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### RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICE

Recycling Bins are located at the Lake Shore City Hall. The container has (4) individual bins for cans, cardboard, glass, newsprint and plastic.

For more recycling information click on the link:

[http://www.co.cass.mn.us/esd/solid\\_waste/pdfs/solidwasterecycling.pdf](http://www.co.cass.mn.us/esd/solid_waste/pdfs/solidwasterecycling.pdf)

Please do not use the recycling area for depositing waste tires and white goods or garbage. This is a service to the community, so please do not abuse it or we may lose it. The garbage dumpster at city hall is for refuse from city hall only.

**DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS WHEN BINS ARE FULL.**

**NOW ACCEPTED – ALL types of plastic bottles, tubs & lids!**

Check the bottom of your container. All types of plastic containers marked with a recycle symbol are accepted. Place in the bins along with the glass, aluminum and steel cans.

**NO Film or Foam:** this includes styrofoam, plastic bags, food wrap or other shrink wrap.

**NO plastic cups, plates or utensils**

**NO motor oil or pesticide containers**



# Minnesota's Year Around Playground on Gull Lake

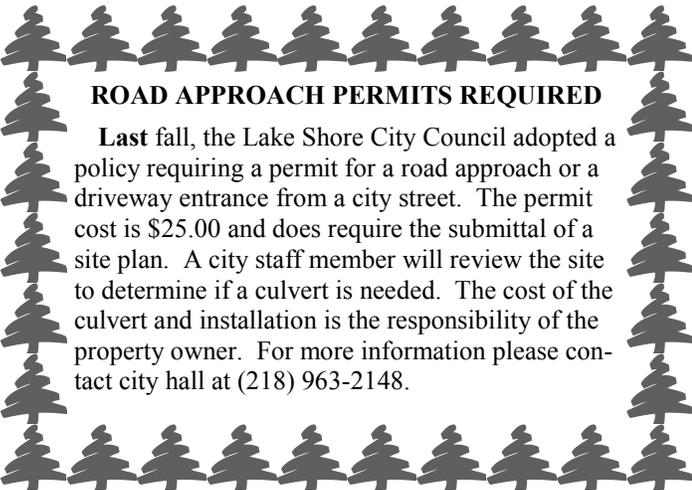


**PROPERTY FOR SALE**

Nicely wooded lot on Nottingham Road (paved road).  
Lot size is 150'x250' with level topography  
Asking Price: \$45,000  
Contact City Hall for more information: (218) 963-2148

**ECO FRIENDLY REMINDER:**

**Fall** is here, the leaves are turning fast and quickly falling but PLEASE do not rake leaves into the lake, mother nature blows enough of them into the water. In addition, please do not rake leaves into road ditches or onto your neighbor's property. Thank-you and enjoy the beautiful fall colors.



**ROAD APPROACH PERMITS REQUIRED**

Last fall, the Lake Shore City Council adopted a policy requiring a permit for a road approach or a driveway entrance from a city street. The permit cost is \$25.00 and does require the submittal of a site plan. A city staff member will review the site to determine if a culvert is needed. The cost of the culvert and installation is the responsibility of the property owner. For more information please contact city hall at (218) 963-2148.

**NEW EMPLOYEE**

The Lake Shore City Council approved hiring Robert Heidelberg as the new part-time maintenance person for the city. Bob will be responsible for a minor road repair, routine maintenance of city property and buildings.

**CITY SEWER**

Recently, the City Council voted to contract its wastewater services to the Pine River Area Sanitary District (PRASD). Personnel from the PRASD will maintain the Lake Shore Wastewater Facility and will respond to sewer emergencies. The NEW sewer emergency contact number is (218) 851-9060.

**BUCKTHORN SPREADS INTO LAKE SHORE**

By Ron Faust Environmental Committee Chair

Late fall is the best time to identify and remove buckthorn. This shrub is an extremely aggressive invasive species which has become established in two thirds of the United States. It grows into a dense underbrush which prevents other trees and native species from emerging. It quickly grows so thick a person can't walk through it. At that stage buckthorn is very difficult to clear. It is easy to pull if found early as a small sapling. After it grows to bush or tree size it has to be cut or pulled with special equipment.

The good news is that the spread of buckthorn can be put in check fairly easily in our area because it exists in only scattered locations; it is spread by birds after eating the berries. It has spread into Brainerd and even as close as BIR. For the first time, I found a number of seedlings in my gardens this year. We are at a unique stage with this invasive because it doesn't take much time to pull the small saplings by hand if they are spotted.

Buckthorn can be identified easily during late fall because the leaves stay green for weeks after other trees and bushes in the woods are bare. Although buckthorn looks very much like chokecherry, the berries distinguish these two species. Buckthorn berries are dark purple and contain two to four small seeds instead of the one large pit found in the chokecherry.

If cut, the stumps must be painted with Roundup or Tryclopyr (Brush-B-Gone) to prevent re-sprouting from the roots in the spring. More information can be found on the DNR web site (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/invasives/terrestrialplants/woody/buckthorn/index.html>)

**SHORELINE TOUR MAKES FIVE STOPS IN LAKE SHORE**

By: Ron Faust, Environmental Committee Chair

A day-long "Shoreline and Watershed Practices Tour" visited five spots in Lake Shore on August 12. About 30 participants were drawn to this tour which was organized by the MN Erosion Control Association, the DNR, and the Cass and Crow Wing Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Rain gardens and shoreline projects at five Lake Shore sites were visited. Question and answer discussions were led by naturalists and others (like Lake Shore City Administrator Teri Hastings) who had been responsible for the planning, construction, and planting of the projects at each site. In addition to two private sites, the group toured the rain gardens at Sherwood Forest, the Fritz Loven shoreline project, and the Bar Harbor shoreline which was full of wildflowers in full bloom at the time. After lunch, the tour continued on to the Whitefish Chain and the City of Fifty Lakes.

**WHITE GOODS**

Mark your calendars! The Environmental Committee will host a white goods disposal day sometime during the summer of 2015 in the parking lot of City Hall. Typical items that may be disposed of are: tires, appliances, etc. No household hazardous waste. A small fee may apply at drop off.

## POLICE NOTES

### Property Watch

Property Watch forms are available at the Lake Shore Police Department or online at [www.cityoflakeshore.com](http://www.cityoflakeshore.com) under the Police Department tab. A new property watch form needs to be filled out each time you are away on vacation or leaving for the winter season. This information notifies the police department that you will be away from your residence during a specific period and allows us to have contact information in the unfortunate event that something happens.

### Snow Plowing

Lake Shore residents are reminded that it is unlawful to plow snow from driveways onto or across city streets or country roads. Piles of snow left on or near the road can freeze into a solid mass creating a hazardous situation for vehicles and snowplows. Accidents and damages caused by snow piles placed in the roadway may result in liability to the property owner. Piles of snow increase the chances of drifting snow onto the roadway.

### Alarms

If you have an alarm system at your residence or business, make sure your alarm is registered with Cass County. The Lake Shore police department responds to nearly 100 residential/business alarms each year. We ask that you have a key holder available to respond to your alarm. Have your alarm system maintained regularly to help prevent false alarms.

### Reporting Suspicious Activity and Crime

The Lake Shore Police Department wants to remind residents to report suspicious activity. With your help and action we will continue keeping this community safe from crime. When you help the police department, you are helping yourself from becoming a victim of crime.

If you see suspicious or unusual activities report it immediately by dialing 911. Even a five minute delay in reporting can significantly reduce the likelihood of catching the criminal. Do not leave a voice mail on the police department answering machine. Just dial 911 to get the Cass County dispatcher.

Don't hesitate to call if you think something may be wrong or out of place. Think about what could happen if you delay or don't make the call.

### TZD Enforcement

The Lake Shore Police Department will once again be participating in TZD (Toward Zero Deaths) enforcement campaigns. These campaigns include seat belt, speed, and DWI enforcement. Please remember to always buckle up, have a sober driver, and drive the posted speed limit. Remember to slow down during inclement weather.

### Fritz Loven Park

ATV's are not allowed anywhere within the 80 acres of Fritz Loven Park. Please operate your ATV's with respect to your neighbors and community.



**“But I didn't know I needed a permit UP here...”**

**By: John Ingleman, Chairman, Board of Adjustment/Planning Commission**

How many times have we gone past the sign pictured above as we drive through Lake Shore? I'm guessing that we can all say that we have passed it thousands of times in just the past year. I wonder how many of us recognize that the sign was erected to give us notice of the fact that the City of Lake Shore, like most all municipalities, controls land use, construction and development in a manner designed to benefit us all. Teri Hastings, the City's Planning Administrator, will note that she has been told time and time again that, when people move to our area, they assume they are moving “up north” and that specific zoning rules, typical of larger cities, do not exist in our community. However, that is not the case.

The City of Lake Shore possesses the same legal authority to regulate land use, development and construction, as do the larger municipalities in the State. In fact, Lake Shore has a 138 page zoning ordinance which was adopted by our City Council in 2009; it creates a series of zoning districts and identifies acceptable standards for land use and construction. Teri Hastings also serves as our Zoning Administrator and, in conjunction with our Planning Commission, administers the zoning ordinance. The Planning Commission generally meets monthly, on the second Monday of each month, and typically considers a variety of applications for variances, conditional use permits and the like. The City's Zoning Ordinance classifies regions of the City into various zoning districts; controls land uses within them, and specifically regulates more unique concerns, such as shore land conservation.

One of the quick links on the City's website is a link to Planning Zoning which contains the “Zoning Ordinance Summary”. It lists how our residents can interact with the City when developing property, constructing a new home, or adding to an existing structure. It also sets out, in a clear way, the various requirements and standards dictated by our Zoning Ordinance.

Remember that the sign pictured above is there for a purpose—to let us all know that the City has a set of rules regulating zoning and land use that may require us to seek permission from the City when constructing a structure or adding onto an existing building within city limits. When in doubt, please call Teri at 218-963-2148, or stop City Hall to see how your potential project will be administered by the City so as to assure the continuing quality of our community. If you have any further interest in seeing how our zoning process works, stop by at the next meeting of the Planning Commission.

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Lake Shore, MN 56468

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U.S. POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
LAKE SHORE,  
MN  
PERMIT #53

CURRENT RESIDENT OR

**City Hall Business Hours**  
Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Mayor**  
John Terwilliger

**City Administrator/Planning & Zoning**

Teri Hastings  
**Police Chief**  
Steve Sundstrom  
**Public Works**  
Bob Heidelberger  
**Wastewater**  
Pine River Area  
Sanitary District

**Council Members**

Doug Miller  
Susan Amacher  
John Poston  
Krista Knudsen

**City Clerk**

Patti McDonald

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

**Committee Meetings**

**Board of Adjustment/Planning Commission**  
2nd Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m.

**Environmental Committee**

Posted on website calendar

**Wastewater Committee**

Posted on website calendar

**Park Committee**

Posted on website calendar

**Members**

Susan Amacher, Liaison  
John Ingleman-Chairman  
Earl North, Dick Miles  
Roger Smeby, Tom Diemert  
Alternates - Kevin Egan & Pat Hastings  
Doug Miller, Liaison -Ron Faust  
Robert Eliason, Melinda Re,  
Arla Johnson, Rosemary Goff  
Alternates - Kevin Egan

Liaison - John Poston, Wayne Anderson  
Dave Pohl, Justin Stanke, Bill Schultz  
Alternate - Chuck Bergquist

Liaison - Krista Knudsen, Steve Hanousek, Betsy  
Egan, Todd Peterson, Terry Frovik, Don Hoger,  
Alternates - Bob Wilmes & Cindy Terwilliger



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YOUR CITY AND JOIN  
US FOR A MEETING

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