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City Calendar

April

- 1st** Tues—City Council 7:00 pm
- 8th** Tues—Planning Commission 7:00 pm
- 9th** Wed—Board of Appeal 6:30 pm
- 15th** Tues—City Council Work Session 6:00 pm
- 15th** Tues—City Council 7:00 pm
- 16th** Wed—Park Commission 7:00 pm
- 19th** Sat—Council Office Hours (by appointment)

May

- 6th** Tues—City Council 7:00 pm
- 13th** Tues—Planning Commission 7:00 pm
- 17th** Sat—Council Office Hours (by appointment)
- 20th** Tues—City Council Work Session 6:00 pm
- 20th** Tues—City Council 7:00 pm
- 21st** Wed—Park Commission 7:00 pm
- 26th** Mon—City Offices Closed (Holiday)

All meetings at City Hall unless otherwise noted.
 Meeting agendas on website when available.

**Board of Appeal and Equalization on
April 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall**

This meeting is held annually for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the 2014 assessed property values or property classifications in the City of Medina. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, or who wish to complain that the property of another is assessed too low, may appear at the meeting and show cause for having such assessment corrected.

The burden of proof is on the resident to justify a decrease in property value. The City is requesting that residents complete a City application prior to attending the meeting. The application can be found on the City's website at www.medinamn.us.

**SWPPP Public Hearing
April 15, 2014 at 7 p.m. in City Hall**

The City will be holding a public hearing at the April 15, 2014 City Council meeting on the adequacy of the City of Medina Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP). A copy of the program is available at Medina City Hall. Any person wishing to express an opinion on these matters will be heard orally or in writing at the hearing.



CITY HALL

2052 County Road 24
 Medina, MN 55340
 p: 763-473-4643
 f: 763-473-9359
 e: city@ci.medinamn.us

City Hall Office Hours
 Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY

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 Medina, MN 55340
 p: 763-473-9209
 f: 763-473-8858
 e: police@ci.medinamn.us

Police Department Office Hours
 Mon-Fri 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Mayor

Elizabeth Weir 763-473-3226

City Council

Jeff Pederson 612-916-6448
 Melissa Martinson 763-473-8082
 John Anderson 612-618-5702
 Kathleen Martin 612-344-1111

City Council Meetings

First & third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings

Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Park Commission Meetings

Third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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The Medina
Message

A bi-monthly publication from the City of Medina

City Seeks Input on Highway 55 Commuter Bus Survey

The city is seeking input from residents to determine the potential use of a bus transit system and the potential use of a park and ride lot in Medina.

The cities of Medina and Plymouth and the Metropolitan Council are coordinating a park and ride lot on Highway 55 in Medina served by Plymouth Metrolink buses to downtown Minneapolis. The commute is predicted to take approximately 45 minutes. One possible park and ride location is the Medina Entertainment Center, 500 Highway 55. Currently, the closest park and ride to Medina is a surface lot at Olive Lane and County Road 6 (Messiah Methodist Church) in Plymouth, which accommodates 85 vehicles and has a heated shelter and a bike rack.

Bus fare is typically \$3 per ride during peak rush hours. Employers sometimes subsidize bus fare for employees. Ask your employer about their program. The region uses the same fare cards on all transit systems. Cash is also accepted.

Residents are encouraged to fill out an online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NH66KTW> or go to the city of Medina's website at www.medinamn.us to download a PDF version to fill out and return.

Your comments are important in Medina's effort to improve transportation planning along the congested Highway 55 corridor. Please submit your completed survey by April 15, 2014. Questions can be directed to scott.johnson@ci.medinamn.us.

City Seeks Election Judges

The City is seeking election judges for the 2014 State Primary on Tuesday, August 12th; and for the 2014 General Election on Tuesday, November 4th. Election judges are paid positions that supervise and help with elections at the polls.

You must be an eligible voter in Minnesota to serve as an Election Judge, and you must be able to read, write and speak English. Here are some general duties of an election judge:

- ▶ Open and close the polls (judges work from 6:00 a.m. to about 10:00 p.m.); half-day shifts are available.
- ▶ Ensure that only qualified voters are permitted to vote and that each qualified voter is permitted to vote only once.
- ▶ Maintain order and ensure a nonpartisan atmosphere in the voting place.
- ▶ Be responsible for the security of all election materials.
- ▶ Distribute ballots.
- ▶ Ensure that all votes are cast in secret.
- ▶ Certify the precinct election results.



If you are interested in serving as an election judge, please fill out an application and mail it back to City Hall by June 13, 2014. Election judge applications can be found on the city website at <http://medinamn.us/citygov/elections/> or call City Hall. Questions can be directed to Election Coordinator Jodi Gallup at 763-473-8850 or email jodi.gallup@ci.medinamn.us.

Planning & Administration

Land Use Applications Under Review

The following land use and development projects are currently under review by the City. For more information on one of the projects, or for an update on the review schedule, please contact the Planning Department at (763) 473-4643, ext. 1.

Property Resources Development Company – Comprehensive Plan Amendment and PUD Concept Plan – The applicant has requested a Comprehensive Plan Amendment to change the future land use of approximately 90 acres from Rural Residential to Low Density Residential (LDR). The property is located east of Homestead Trail and southwest of Deerhill Road. The LDR land use allows development with a net density of 2.0-3.5 units per acre on City sewer/water. The applicant has also submitted a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Concept Plan for the development of 99 single family homes. The Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to hold a public hearing at the April 8 meeting.

Villas at Medina Country Club – PUD Concept Plan- Rachel Contracting has requested review of a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Concept Plan for the construction of 53 detached townhomes along the west and north sides of the Medina Golf and Country Club (east of County Road 116, south of Shawnee Woods Road). The Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to hold a public hearing at the April 8 meeting.

Dominium – 32 rental townhomes – 510 Clydesdale Trail—Dominium has requested review of a PUD General Plan and plat for the construction of 32 affordable rental townhomes on approximately 4 acres of vacant property north of Clydesdale Trail and east of County Road 116. The Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to hold a public hearing at the April 8 meeting.

Hamel Haven – Lot Split – 805 Hamel Road—JJC Hamel LLC has requested final approval of a plat to split the 0.7 acre property at 805 Hamel Road into two lots. The City Council granted preliminary approval January 17, 2012. The application is tentatively scheduled for review by the City Council at one of the April meetings.

Frederick Hartray – Lot Combination – 4035 Apache Drive—The applicant has requested approval to combine two parcels into a single parcel. The application is tentatively scheduled for review by the City Council at one of the April meetings.

Enclave at Brockton 4th Addition – west of Brockton, south of Hamel Road—Lennar has requested approval of another phase of the Enclave at Brockton development to include 18 single-family lots. The application is tentatively scheduled for review by the City Council at one of the April meetings.

Wakefield subdivision - 3385 County Road 24—Wakefield Family Trust has requested approval of a rural subdivision of three lots on 74 acres at the southeast corner of County Road 24 and Homestead Trail. The City has requested additional information in order to review the request. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the application when it is complete for review. Contact the Planning Department for more information.

City Business Profile: PupTown, LLC

Since the fall of 2011, PupTown, LLC has offered cage free daycare, overnight boarding and grooming services for dogs. From active puppyhood to gentle senior dog, the PupTown staff is there to provide a safe, clean and caring environment.

During the day, dogs play in temperature controlled indoor play areas or romp outside in the backyard which features artificial turf for year round, mud free play. When the temperatures heat up, the kiddie pools for summertime splashing are a warm weather favorite as is lounging under the shade of one of the many outdoor umbrellas.

At night, dogs sleep in open sleep rooms on top-of-the-line dog beds with fleece covers for restful comfort. There is a caring staff member with them 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Appointments are available for professional grooming services including baths, brushing, haircuts and nail grinding.

Because there are no cages, all dogs must complete an orientation session prior to reserving daycare or boarding to ensure their personality is a good fit in a group setting. Dogs must also be up to date with their rabies, distemper and bordetella vaccines and be spayed or neutered if over six months in age.

PupTown is located at 810 Tower Drive, just south west of the Highway 55 and 115/116 intersection and can be contacted at 763-478-0203 or email info@puptownmn.com.

City Council Agendas and Minutes Email Notifications

Stay informed on what is happening at upcoming City Council meetings. The City emails copies of Council agendas and minutes at no cost to residents. If you would like to be added to the regular email notification list, email jodi.gallup@ci.medina.mn.us to sign up.



Public Safety & Public Works

Drive Safely—Crashes Happen

Below is a news release the Medina Police Department received on March 11, 2014 from the Minnesota Department of Traffic Safety. The release is in reference to the traffic crashes on Minnesota roads in 2014. Driving is a major part of everyone's lives; let's make sure our lives do not end on the roadways. We want to encourage everyone to buckle up and slow down. We want our citizens to live and enjoy a full life.

Chief Ed Belland, Medina Police

MINNESOTA ROADS SEE 12 TRAFFIC FATALITIES IN LAST 10 DAYS

Both Drivers and Passengers Encouraged to Make Smart Choices When Driving, Riding

At least 12 people were killed on Minnesota roads since Feb. 28, according to preliminary reports from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS).

Since Jan. 1, 51 people have died on Minnesota roads, two more than this time last year, but nine fewer (60) than 2012.

The recent fatalities include three Carlton College students who died in a crash on Hwy. 3 near Northfield on Feb. 28 and four young men whose car lost control on Hwy. 14 just west of Sleepy Eye on March 7. All seven were under 21 years of age.

"Our roads can turn deadly in good weather and bad," said Donna Berger, DPS Office of Public Safety (OTS) director. "The people who lost their lives in these crashes are the reasons we all need to take driving seriously and always make safe decisions about buckling up, driving at safe speeds, paying attention and never driving impaired.

Berger also points out that drivers aren't the only victims in many crashes. In addition to the Sleepy Eye crash, an early morning Jan. 5 Winona crash into the Mississippi River killed four people. Passengers need to make smart choices regarding their own safety by always buckling up (even in the back seat), never getting in the car with an impaired driver and speaking up if the driver is engaging in risky behavior.



Young Males Disproportionally Involved

In 2012, young males age 15-34 were involved in 29,186 of 54,050 crashes (54 percent) and 143 of 201 fatal crashes (71 percent). The most cited factors in these crashes were driver inattention/distraction, failure to yield right of way and illegal/unsafe speed.

Greater Minnesota Crashes

In 2012, 66 percent of all fatal crashes occurred in rural areas (population of less than 5,000). In addition, 37 percent of all fatal crashes occurred on county state aid highways and 89 of those were in rural areas.

Seasonal Spring Weight Limits

The Medina Police want to remind everyone that spring weight restrictions on roads are now in effect.

The reason for the restrictions is to protect our roads and keep the cost of road repair down for all taxpayers. We ask all of our residents and business owners to keep an eye out for large trucks using the roads during the restriction period. If you see them using a restricted road, please call 9-1-1 and report it. Help protect your roads! For questions, you can call the Medina Police Department at 763-473-9209.

Be the Solution to Stormwater Pollution

Not Rain, No Drain—Leaves, trash, and grass clippings should be swept up and collected, not pushed or poured down the nearest storm drain. *If it's not rainwater, it doesn't belong in a storm drain.* Even soapy or dirty water from washing your car or the outside of your home can go down the drain and into your water. Be sure to use environmentally safe cleansers, and wash your car on the grass at home or use a car wash.

Pick up After Your Pets—Pet waste left on the ground will eventually contaminate local water with harmful bacteria. Using a pet waste bag (biodegradable if possible) and simply pick up your pet's waste and place it in a trash can or flush it down the toilet without the bag.

Reduce Fertilizer Use—Whenever you fertilize the lawn or garden, excess nutrients can get washed through storm drains and into your local water body. The fertilizer that helps your garden grow also promotes harmful algae growth that takes oxygen out of water, chokes aquatic life, and clogs waterways. Use natural fertilizer and pesticides according to directions.

Recycle Motor Oil—In addition to community collection centers, many auto supply stores and gas stations accept used oil. That's a good thing because oil floats on water, sticks to everything, and lasts a long time in the environment. Cars and lawn equipment that leak oil onto the ground also pollute, so be sure to fix oil leaks!

Recycle Household Waste—Recycling is an excellent way to handle some household wastes such as paints, solvents, and related products, which should never go down the storm drain and into your water. Read and follow directions on how to use a product and recycle what's left over. If recycling is not an option, check with the City or call the Hennepin County Drop-off Center in Brooklyn Park at 612-348-3777 to learn how to properly dispose of your household waste.

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

**NEW LOCATION: 600 Clydesdale Trail
NEW Public Works/Police Facility
(Follow the signs off State Hwy 55)**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Rain or Shine)**

Accepted Items:

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| • Scrap Iron | No charge |
| • Batteries (all) | No charge |
| • Anti-freeze | No charge |
| • All Appliances | No charge |
| • Miscellaneous Electronics | No charge |
| • Computers and Laptops | No charge |
| • Computer Monitor | \$10.00 ea |
| • Televisions (any size) | \$10.00 ea |
| • Mattresses/Box springs | \$15.00 ea |
| • Tires - Car (w/ or w/o rim) | \$ 4.00 ea |
| • Tires - Truck (w/or w/o rim) | \$ 6.00 ea |
| • Tires - Truck (semi-w/o rim) | \$10.00 ea |
| • Tires - Truck (semi-w/rim) | \$15.00 ea |
| • Tires - Tractor* | \$25.00-\$60.00 ea |
| *Depending on size | |
| • Carpet, furniture, or building materials, etc. | \$10 small load/\$30 large load* |
| *(Fully tied down pick-up truck) | |

When loading your items, keep them separated into categories, as things will be unloaded in various areas of the property.

Items Not Accepted:

- Treated lumber
- Recyclables
- Paint
- Concrete bricks
- Commercial printers & fax machines
- Copiers
- Household/agricultural chemicals or containers
- Oil/Oil products
- Household garbage
- Fluorescent lights
- Hazardous waste

Lunch will be served from 10 am until noon.



To recycle any of the above items, or to recycle other times of the year, contact:

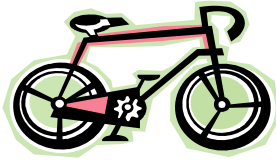
Hennepin County Recycling Center
8100 Jefferson Highway
Brooklyn Park, MN
612-348-3777
www.hennepin.us/dropoffs

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Hennepin County is once again sponsoring household hazardous waste collection events this spring in Minnetonka (May 15-17) and St. Louis Park (June 12-14) from 9 am - 4 pm. For a list of items that will be accepted, call 612-348-3777.

BICYCLE COLLECTION:

The City will once again be collecting good useable bikes for Interfaith Outreach Community Partners.

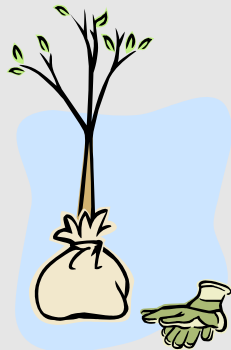


TREES FOR SALE:

The City of Medina will once again be selling a limited number of the following trees at the Spring Clean-up Day.

- **Sugar Maple** **\$30.00 each**
- **Autumn Blaze** **\$30.00 each**
- **Redmond Linden** **\$30.00 each**
- **Princeton Elm** **\$25.00 each**
- **Cathedral Elm** **\$25.00 each**

The trees are approximately 1" in diameter and 6-8' tall. The trees are bare root stock and will need to be planted immediately.



Before a tree is planted, call Gopher State One-Call at 651-454-0002 to locate underground utilities.

BRUSH AND COMPOST SITE

Located northwest of City Hall at 2052 Cty. Rd. 24, the brush and compost site is open year round Tuesday and Thursday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (except holidays) and Friday 7 a.m. to Monday 3:30 p.m. (open all week-end during daylight hours).

Accepted items for brush pile:

- Brush and woody shrubs and vines
- Christmas trees
- Large logs
- Stumps that have been cut up

Items **not** accepted:

- Painted or treated lumber
- Railroad ties

Accepted items for compost pile:

- Leaves/grass clippings (no bags please)

Items **not** accepted:

- Hay and/or straw
- Animal waste

REMEMBER, no bags or containers are to be left on the site. Please do not trash this site by leaving garbage or other unsuitable materials.

The trees sold at this years' Spring Clean-up Day will be subsidized with a donation from City Council Member Jeff Pederson, which will reduce the cost of each tree by \$10 from the prices listed above.

We are limiting the number of trees that can be purchased this year to three per household for Medina residents only and the coupon below can be used to purchase each of those trees at a savings of \$10.00 per tree.

COUPON

Purchase 1-3 trees and receive \$10.00 off each.