



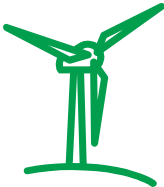
# Chaska City Hall Bulletin

From the desk of Mayor Van Eyll

## "The Best Small Town in Minnesota"

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### HOME TOWN WIND POWER OPEN HOUSE

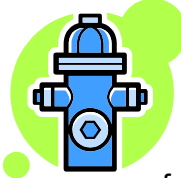


As was reported in the last City Hall Bulletin, Chaska and the other ten member cities of the Municipal Power Association (MMPA) are working to implement a Home Town Wind Power Program. The program has been established to help cities meet its mandated goals for generation of renewable energy. The mandates require that 12% of electricity generated must be from a renewable source by 2012.

The Home Town Wind Power Program will place one wind turbine in each of the 11 member communities of the MMPA. As part of the process of selecting a site for the Chaska wind turbine and learning more about the program, an open house will be held on Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the City Council Chambers. Representatives from MMPA, the City, and the non-profit organization Windustry, will be on hand to answer questions and explain the project. Illustrations of various wind turbines will be on display also. All residents are invited to attend the open house.

Questions or more information can be obtained from the City Electrical Director, Dan Geiger, at 952-448-4335.

### SPRING CLEANING



As part of their normal maintenance operations, the Water and Sewer Department has begun the annual flushing of fire hydrants across the City. The purpose of this activity is to clean out the water system, assuring the lines are clear and free of any debris. Hydrant flushing began in the Clover Ridge neighborhood and will progress throughout the rest of the community over the next several weeks. Neighborhood residents will be notified with street signage the day prior to hydrant flushing and people are discouraged from doing laundry on these days, as the water can become discolored during flushing activities. After these activities have been completed, residents are encouraged to run their water for a short period prior to doing laundry to remove any discolored water from their plumbing systems. Questions regarding the schedule for hydrant flushing can be directed to the Water and Sewer Superintendent, Dean Hylland, at 952-448-4335.

The Public Works Department will also be busy at this time sweeping streets and (Continued on Page 2)

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preparing the parks for summer usage. Street sweeping has already been occurring for the past month and not only improves the street appearance but rids the area of any sand that might get into the storm water system. This activity should conclude within the next two weeks.

Area parks are being readied for use, with the Athletic Park having opened over the past weekend. The Chaska Hawks have already utilized the park, hosting their first home game. Questions regarding streets or park maintenance can be referred to the Public Works Director, Tim Wiebe, at 952-448-4335.

**PETCO OPEN IN CHASKA COMMONS**

This past week PetCo opened in the Chaska Commons. PetCo moved into a newly constructed 12,000 sq ft space next door to Rainbow Foods. PetCo offers full-service grooming, dog training, pet photography, and an aquatics department.

A grand opening will be held Friday through Sunday, April 17-19. Come in on Friday to receive a free mouse pad with your PALS card or bag of cat litter from 5-7 pm. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at 8:55 am on Saturday and the first 100 PALS will receive a free \$10 gift card. Free professional pet photography will be offered from 8 am to 6 pm. On Sunday you can receive a free reusable PetCo shopping bag. Free photos and caricatures will be offered throughout the day again. At 2 pm enter your pet into one of the contests for biggest and smallest dog, or best-dressed pet, or pet/owner look alike. Of course, pet adoptions will be going on all weekend. See you at PetCo, where the pets go.



**REMINDER**

The Chaska Library will be closed from Monday, April 20th through Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> for renovations. All other area county libraries will be open for services and to pick up book requests.



Christmas in May will be held on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. The volunteer phone number was listed incorrectly in the City Hall Bulletin last week. The correct phone line is 952-361-5350.

Join City Electrical Director, Dan Geiger on Monday, April 27 from 9:30-10:30 am or Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 6:30 pm at The Lodge and learn about ways to conserve resources. Get a Free EcoKit by presenting a valid ID or City utility bill. Sponsored by Chaska Electric and the Parks and Rec Departments.

The City of Chaska's annual spring clean up day will be held on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Yard waste can be dropped off at Athletic Park free of charge. Residents reminded that only grass and small clippings will be accepted and must be removed from bags prior to disposal at the park. Questions about this service to Chaska residents can be directed to the Assistant City Administrator, Bart Fischer, at 952-448-9200.



The annual Jonathan Festival of Garage Sales will be held on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 3 pm.





Soles4Souls and the Chaska Police Department will be collecting your gently worn footwear and/or donations for people in need, whether they are victims of a natural disaster or subject to living in extreme poverty. A collection box is located in the lobby of the Chaska Police Department.

It is estimated that Americans have 1.5 billion pairs of unused shoes lying around in closets. The charity can use each and every one of these pairs to make a tangible difference in someone's life.

"People do not have to give money to make a difference in someone's life. A pair of shoes is simple and everyone has a few pair they are not wearing," says Police Chief Scott Knight.

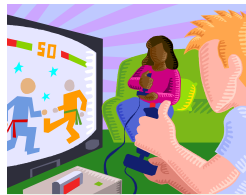


### Chaska Community Center Activities

#### Youth Video Game Bonanza!

Bring your friends for some video game fun! The Nintendo Wii and X-box will be available. Board games will also be out for those who are not playing video games. A snack and beverage will be provided to all participants. Registration is not necessary, just show up with your friends.

Date: Tuesday, April 21  
Time: 2:30 – 4:00 PM  
Place: Community Room  
Cost: FREE



### COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES CONT.

#### Bag Lunch Bingo

Grab a bag lunch or bring your own for some bag lunch bingo fun! Win prizes and play bingo with your friends. Please call the lodge two days in advance to reserve your lunch.



Date: Wednesday, April 22

Time: Lunch - 11:30 AM

Bingo - 12 Noon

Cost: \$3 Member

\$3.50 Non-Member

Cost is per lunch paid at the door.

Bingo is FREE

### DRAFT CHASKA CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

APRIL 20, 2009

7:00 pm CHASKA CITY HALL

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Adopt Agenda
5. Visitor Presentation  
Carver County Assessor & Chaska Cubs Baseball
6. Approve Minutes of 03-30-09 Council Meeting
7. a. Approve Minutes of 04-13-09 Park Board Meeting  
b. Adopt Res. Nos. 09-17,18,19 Approving Solicitors/Business Permits  
c. Approve Assessment Agreement with Carver County  
d. Adopt Res. 090-20 Supporting Mn State Historic Preservation Tax Credit  
Adopt Proclamation for Sexual Assault Awareness Month  
f. Approve Public Hearing Date for Ordinance Amendment to Liquor License Fees  
g. Adopt Res. 09-21 Approving Bond Sale Reimbursement  
h. Approve Continuation of Public Hearing for Economic Stimulus Clean Water Projects
8. Bills
9. Other Business
10. Adjourn