

## Upcoming Events

**May 17, 5:15 pm**  
Council Work Session  
City Hall

**May 17, 7:00 pm**  
Regular City Council  
City Hall

**May 24, 4:15 pm**  
Library Board  
Library

**May 24, 7:00 pm**  
Planning Commission  
City Hall

**May 30**  
Memorial Day  
Office Closed

**June 1, 8:00 am**  
EDA  
City Hall

**June 6, 4:30 pm**  
Parks Commission  
City Hall

**June 7, 5:30 pm**  
Council Work Session  
City Hall

**June 7, 7:00 pm**  
Regular City Council  
City Hall

**June 14, 7:00 p.m.**  
Planning Commission  
City Hall

## ADMINISTRATION

### Personnel

Staff participated in labor negotiations with the IAFF again this week.

We've had a few new employees start work with the City over the past few weeks. I'd like to welcome Ben Waller and Andrew Wappes as new Police Officers and Engineering Intern Patrick Kemper to the City. We look forward to having you on the team and for your service to the citizens of our community!

Also a reminder to all staff to review and complete the Life Insurance Enrollment Application you received in the mail this week. The City has found a provider that provides a Term Life plan with some greater benefit and reduced rate than what is currently offered. It is our intention to make this change on June 1st, so please submit your enrollment forms as soon as possible.

The City continues to move forward with the hiring process associated to the pending retirement of Jim Prusak.

Staff continues to review the City's various personnel policies for potential updates and to streamline some of our internal processes related to Human Resource administration.

### SKB/Shamrock Landfill

SKB held an informational meeting at the Carlton Transportation Building this past Tuesday night. The company provided an overview of its goal to turn the existing industrial landfill into a MSW landfill. There was a full house in attendance to hear the presentation.

### Scanlon Merger Study

The study continues to be refined and potentially will be presented to the Council at the May 17th Council meeting.

### 4th of July Festivities

The Committee continues to meet on a regular basis to plan for the various events being planned for the 4th of July. The City Council will be taking some actions authorizing portions of those events in upcoming meetings. A contract has been entered with our fireworks supplier.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### Housing Development

The Planning Commission recommended approval of the HRA's proposed site plan for its housing project. The proposal from Sherman is headed back to the drawing boards for some refinements after the Commission recommended denial of Middle School reuse plan. The EDA also recommended support of the HRA proposal.

### Miscellaneous

Staff was involved in some business retention efforts this week. Building permit activity remains steady with several roof, garage, deck and remodeling projects. The Planning Commission also voted to approve amending the Zoning Ordinance to allow Humane Societies in the Cloquet Business Park.

## PUBLIC WORKS/PARKS

### Lake Superior Water Line Leak

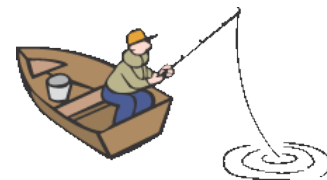
The City continues to struggle with repairing the leak that I mentioned a couple of weeks ago. After digging down to repair the leak it was found to be located in a casing directly under the railroad tracks. This resulted in the repair being abandoned until a new plan could be developed. It looks like it may be several more weeks before another effort to repair can be made due to the challenges in obtaining the necessary parts from suppliers.

### Water Study

Staff continues to work with Progressive Engineers on the completion of a water treatment plant study.

### Miscellaneous

The crew was busy this week repairing curbs and sidewalks as well as continuing our spring street sweeping efforts. The Parks crew has been busy cleaning and dressing up some of the parks, and landscaping has been started at Pinehurst Park.



## Other Information Attached:

- \* May 10, 2016 MPCA Letter

*"The speed of your success is limited only by your dedication and what you're willing to sacrifice."*

*- Nathan Morris, Financial Coach & Writer*



# Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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May 10, 2016

RE: Public Comment Period for State Superfund Priority List

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Minnesota Environment Response and Liability Act, Minn. Stat. § 115B.17 (2012), and Minn. R. ch. 7044 (2010), the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is publishing for public comment the proposed update of the State Superfund Priority List of releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants. Prior to updating the Superfund List, the MPCA must solicit public comment on the proposed update for thirty (30) days. The public comment period ends on June 10, 2016.

According to MPCA records, you may have an interest in one or more of the sites proposed for addition to or deletion from the Superfund List. Therefore, please find enclosed a copy of the May 9, 2016, *State Register* notice on this matter. There will also be a public meeting of the MPCA Advisory Committee on Tuesday May 24, 2016 at the MPCA in St. Paul, Minnesota. During this meeting the proposed listings and de-listing described in the *State Register* will be discussed. Additional information about each site can be found on the MPCA website at <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/waste/superfund-program>.

If you have any comments, please submit them as directed in the enclosed Public Notice. Should you know of additional interested parties concerning this update, please advise them of the Public Notice and public comment period.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathryn J. Sather".

Kathryn J. Sather  
Division Director  
Remediation Division

KJS:csa

Enclosure

The MPCA is proposing to add the following ten sites (Sites) to the State Superfund List (Hazard Ranking Score assigned pursuant to Minn. R. 7044.0350 follows the Site): 1) D's Fabric Care, Carlton County (5.81); 2) West 66th Street and Vincent Avenue, Hennepin County (50.19); 3) Hospital Linen, Ramsey County (50.19); 4) South East Hennepin Area Groundwater and Vapor Site, Hennepin County (33.91) 5); Lyndale Avenue Corridor, Hennepin County (38.93); 6) Arcade Street North and Hawthorne Avenue East, Ramsey County (24.62); 7) 55th Street and Lyndale Avenue South, Hennepin County (17.38); 8) Universal Plating, Hennepin County (25.09); 9) Former Pure Oil Bulk Storage Facility, Hennepin County (7.13); 10) University Avenue and Pascal Street Area, Ramsey County (18.43).

These MPCA sites are being proposed for addition to the State Superfund List as in each case, State Superfund resources will likely be necessary to complete appropriate response actions.

Each MPCA Site has been assigned to Response Action Classes C and D (see Minn. R. 7044.0450). The four response action classes are defined as follows: Class A - Declared Emergency; Class B - Response Actions Completed and Operation and Maintenance/Long-Term Monitoring Ongoing; Class C - Response Actions Necessary or in Progress or First Year Operation and Maintenance at a Site; and Class D - Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies Necessary or in Progress.

The MPCA is also proposing to delist the following Site from the Superfund List: Boyer Lumber Superfund Site, Virginia, St. Louis County.

The 2.75 acre site was listed on the Permanent List of Priorities (PLP) February 25th, 2014. Several investigations were completed by various MPCA programs between 1990-2013 at the Boyer Lumber Site which identified volatile organic compounds (VOC's), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH's), pentachlorophenol (PCP), and dioxins in soil and VOC's, PAH's and PCP's in groundwater. In most cases, contaminated soils were removed to a landfill and backfill material was brought in from a clean, off-site sources. Groundwater impacts were only found on the site property and were not identified offsite during investigation activities. The impacted groundwater was also found to be stable and not moving offsite. The site investigations determined there was a low risk to human health associated with the contaminated

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groundwater from the Boyer Lumber site. The lack of nearby water supply wells near the site along with the limited size and mobility of the groundwater contamination support this determination.

The Minnesota Decision Document (MDD) as amended March 31st, 2016 documents that the MPCA has determined the selected response actions are protective of public health and welfare and the environment. MPCA staff recommends that the Boyer Lumber site be removed from the PLP because Boyer Lumber has taken all reasonable and appropriate actions related to the identified releases. The PLP deletion criteria have been met by Boyer Lumber for the site and no further Minnesota Environmental Response and Liability Act (MERLA) response actions are necessary there. In addition, no further MERLA-funded response actions are necessary because there is no longer a threat to human health or the environment under the current land use.

The MPCA invites members of the public to submit written comments on the proposed ten additions and one deletion from the State Superfund Permanent List of Priorities. All written comments with regard to these proposed changes to the Superfund List must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Written comments regarding the proposed updates to the State PLP should be submitted to: Tom Higgins, Site Remediation and Redevelopment Section, Remediation Division, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4194. There will also be a public meeting of the MPCA Advisory Committee on Tuesday May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at which time the proposed listings and de-listing described in this document will be discussed. Additional information will also be posted about each site on the MPCA website.

All written comments received by the above deadline will be considered by the MPCA in establishing the updated State Superfund List.

John Linc Stine, Commissioner

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency