

**CITY OF SAINT PETER, MINNESOTA
AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING**

City Council Workshop Session of Monday, June 1, 2020
5:30 p.m.

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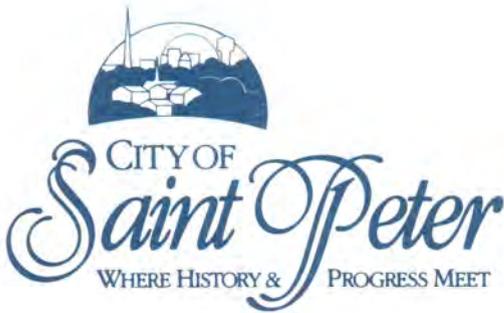
- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **D'ISCUSSION**
 - A. Refuse/Recycling Updates
 - B. Park Naming Process
 - C. COVID Business Request
 - D. City Council Future Meeting Format
- III. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Memorandum

TO: Todd Prafke
City Administrator

DATE: May 21, 2020

FROM: Sally Vogel
Director of Finance

RE: Refuse and Recycling Update

ACTION/RECOMMENDATION

None needed. For City Council input and discussion only.

BACKGROUND

Over the last year the global recycling market place has changed dramatically. Geopolitical issues have impacted how much, where and what can be produced with recycled materials and those changes have impacted our current system in Saint Peter. Materials which were previously recyclable had value to recyclers and they took the material without charge.

However, that has now changed and the economic position for the marketplace has ended. In light of those changes the City's recyclable hauler faced additional costs for disposal of recycling materials. After discussion with the City Council, our recycling and refuse hauler LJP requested and the Council approved a modification to the contract to change to every other week recycling which began in December 2019, with no cost increase to residential customers for refuse and recycling.

The current residential refuse and recycling program for City customers is as follows:

1. Weekly refuse collection
2. Every other week recycling collection
3. Food Waste Composting is available to City residents, with 2 (two) drop-off sites. 173 residents are signed up for the program
4. Operation of a yard waste drop-off site
5. Nicollet County added additional recycling capacity (also added recycle capacity at the Nicollet County Public Works site);
6. Curb-side yard waste and leaf pick-up
7. Christmas tree pick-up
8. Education on "clean" recycling has increased through the utility flyer, social media, vblog, the Hot Sheet and our website

A comparison of refuse and recycling tons picked up for January-April show recycling tons and average pounds per household have decreased from 2019, (7.5 pounds) per month. This was expected with the change to every other week collection. Refuse tons and average pounds per

household have increased by 4.4 pounds which is less than the decrease in recycling.

We will continue to track the refuse and recycling tons each month, to educate residents on proper recycling; to promote the additional drop sites for recycling and to promote food waste composting.

I think we are challenged a bit in using the data to come to a precise conclusion in that the data is messy with seasonality (holidays), a relatively short time frame of data, and a number of systematic changes to how collection and disposal occurs.

It is my hope the Council will review the data as we promised and discuss the impact changes in systems may have had on those services (recycling/refuse) used by our customers. I also hope to solicit input related to other options and opportunities for improved sustainability and /or cost savings in systems.

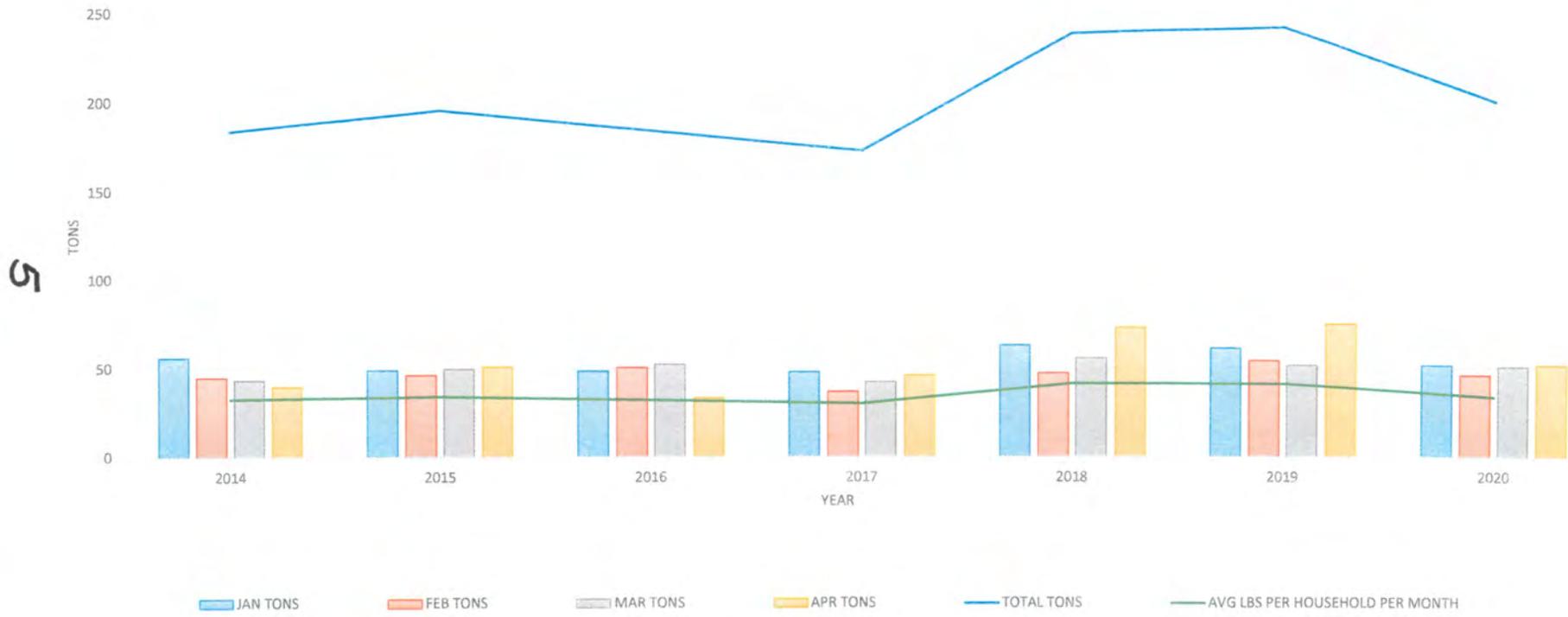
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Recycling				offered weekly recycling			Every Oth
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
JAN TONS	55.9	48.84	48.29	47.61	62.85	61.33	51.62
FEB TONS	44.8	46.28	50.41	36.81	47.28	54.38	46.15
MAR TONS	43.32	49.74	52.34	42.33	55.81	51.79	50.87
APR TONS	39.71	50.88	33.24	46.03	73.05	75.07	52.07
TOTAL TONS	183.73	195.74	184.28	172.78	238.99	242.57	200.71
AVG LBS PER HOUSEHOLD P	32.4	34.0	31.8	29.9	41.2	41.2	33.7

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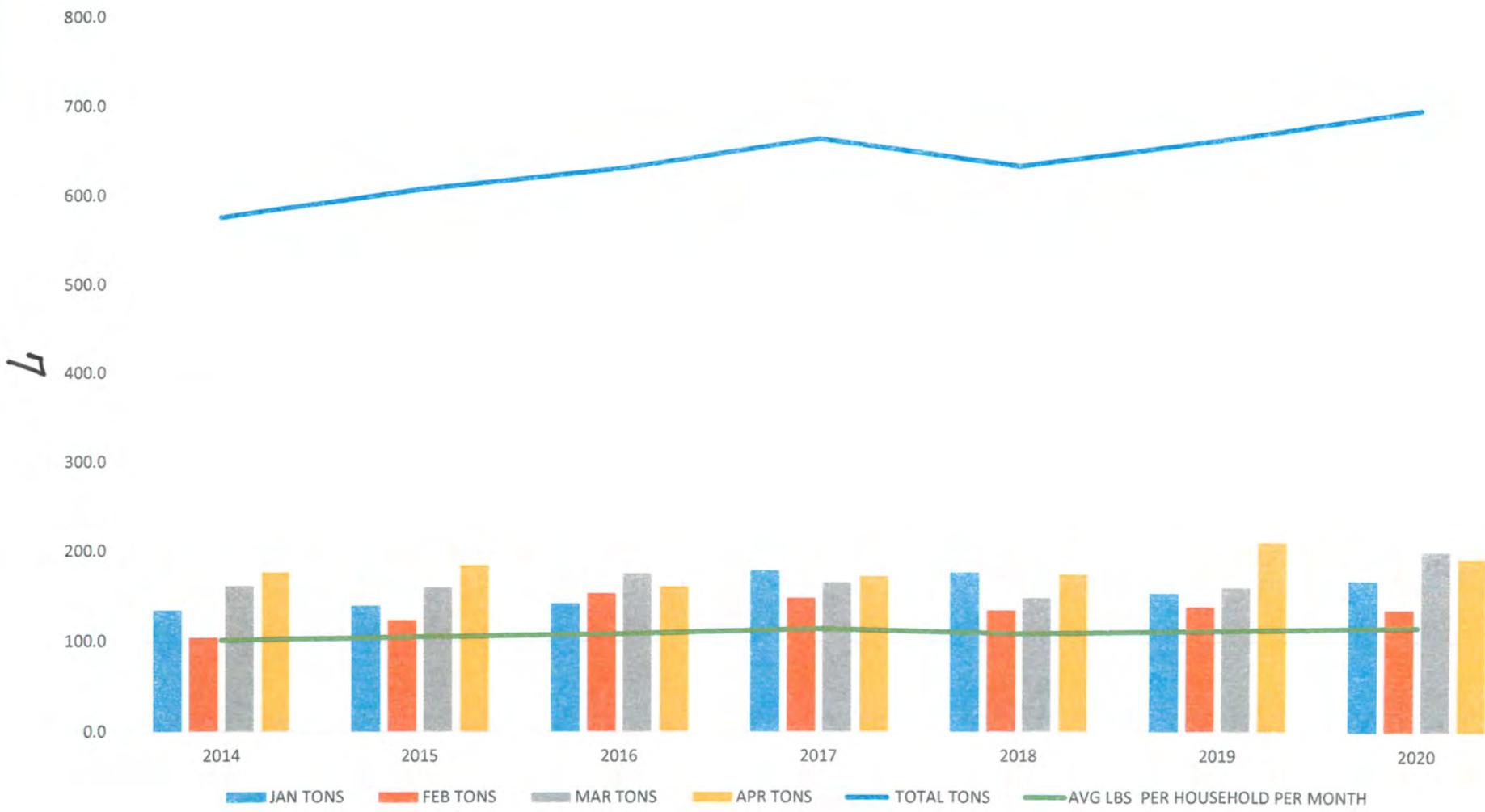
RECYCLING



REFUSE	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
JAN TONS	134.5	139.5	141.8	178.6	176.5	153.6	167.7
FEB TONS	103.9	123.3	153.1	148.2	134.3	138.5	135.6
MAR TONS	161.5	160.1	175.4	165.6	148.5	160.5	200.4
APR TONS	176.5	184.7	160.6	172.2	174.3	210.4	193.1
TOTAL TONS	576.3	607.6	630.9	664.6	633.6	663.0	696.8
AVG LBS PER HOUSEHOLD PER MON	101.5	105.1	108.2	114.2	108.7	111.9	116.3

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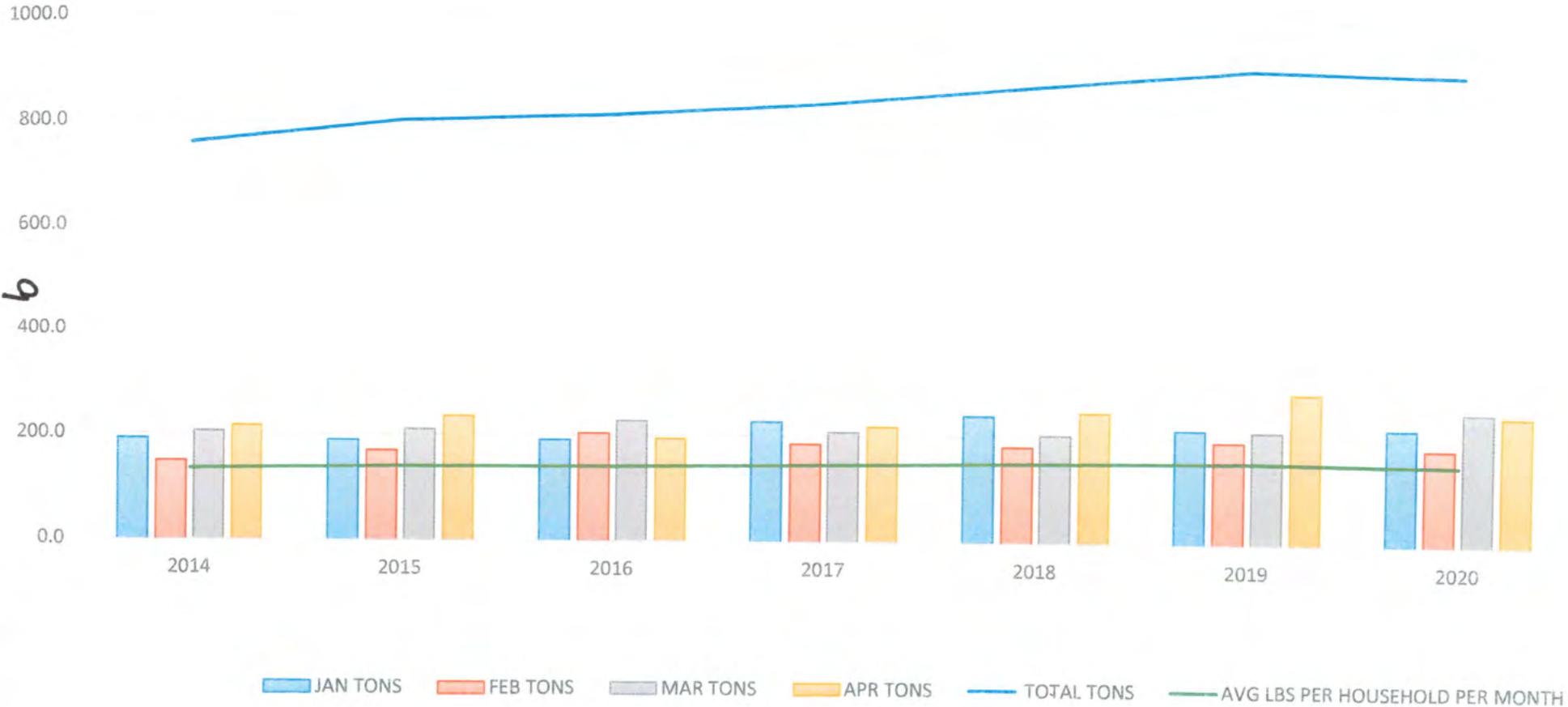
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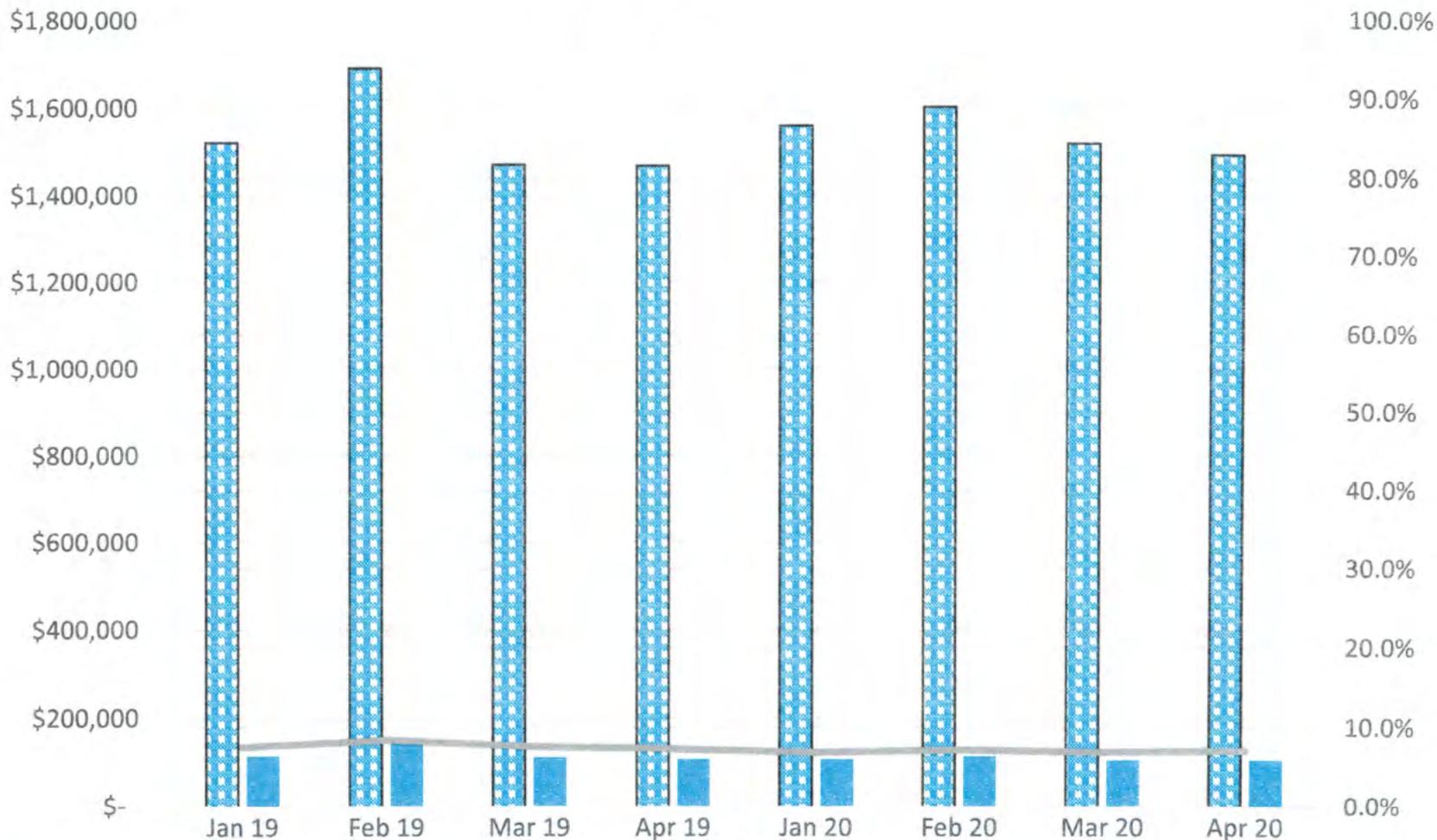
TOTAL REFUSE AND RECYCLING							
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
JAN TONS	190.4	188.4	190.0	226.2	239.4	214.9	219.3
FEB TONS	148.7	169.6	203.5	185.1	181.6	192.9	181.7
MAR TONS	204.8	209.8	227.8	207.9	204.3	212.3	251.3
APR TONS	216.2	235.6	193.9	218.2	247.4	285.5	245.2
TOTAL TONS	760.0	803.4	815.1	837.4	872.6	905.6	897.5
AVG LBS PER HOUSEHOLD PER MON	134.0	139.2	140.2	144.3	150.1	153.3	150.2

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TOTAL TONS REFUSE AND RECYCLING

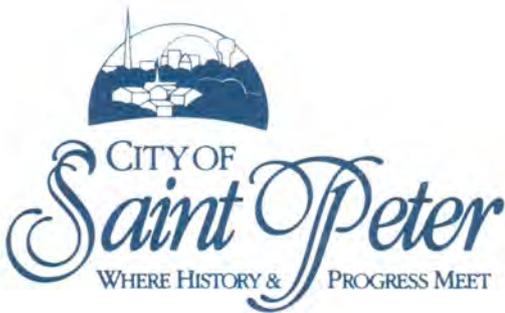


Utility Revenue/AR



	Jan 19	Feb 19	Mar 19	Apr 19	Jan 20	Feb 20	Mar 20	Apr 20
Revenue	\$1,521,461	\$1,690,912	\$1,471,430	\$1,467,835	\$1,559,931	\$1,601,751	\$1,519,749	\$1,493,700
AR BALANCE	\$114,265	\$142,241	\$112,084	\$107,133	\$107,031	\$115,022	\$105,865	\$106,852
% OF REVENUE	7.5%	8.4%	7.6%	7.3%	6.9%	7.2%	7.0%	7.2%

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Memorandum

TO: Todd Prafke
City Administrator

DATE: May 20, 2020

FROM: Pete Moulton
Director of Public Works

RE: Parks Facility Naming Policy/Procedures

ACTION/RECOMMENDATION

None needed. For Council review and discussion only.

BACKGROUND

The Parks and Recreation Board was asked by the Council to develop a parks naming policy that would establish consistent procedures and guidelines for the naming of public park lands owned and operated by the City of Saint Peter.

A proposed policy is attached for Council consideration. As part of the policy, the Public Works Director would notify the Parks Board about proposed naming opportunities. Staff will work with interested parties, the public, donors and sponsors to arrive at a consensus for naming considerations. The name recommendation would be considered by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board at a regular meeting and the Board's action would be then be forwarded to the City Council for formal action.

While the renaming of parks is strongly discouraged, it is possible a situation may cause a park name to be reconsidered. Typically there is a long standing history associated with the initial naming and any recommendation to rename a park would receive careful consideration using the same criteria used for naming other parks.

It is our hope that this policy would provide a standard for all newly created parks and facilities moving forward.

My goal for the workshop is to inform the Council of the Advisory Board's process recommendation, solicit feedback and outline the process moving forward.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns about this agenda item.

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Policy and Procedure for Naming Saint Peter Parks, Facilities and Recreational Areas



Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to establish a set of standard procedures and guidelines for the naming and renaming of parks, facilities and recreational areas owned and/or operated by the City of Saint Peter. This policy will guide name recognition and establish its uniform application. It is realized that responsibility for naming City parks, facilities and recreational areas lies with the City Council. The City Council, in turn, will rely on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for input and recommendation for the naming of City parks, facilities and recreational areas.

Objectives:

1. Naming of City parks, facilities and recreational areas enhances a sense of community within the City.
2. Ensure that parks and recreational areas are easily identified and located.
3. Ensure that names given are consistent with the values and characteristics of the City of Saint Peter.
4. Assure the quality of the title/name, so that it will serve the purpose of the City of Saint Peter in a permanent manner.
5. Encourage public participation and input in order to fully represent the best interest of the area affected.
6. Encourage and recognize the dedication of lands, or donations by individuals or groups.

Qualifying Names and/or Criteria:

- Geographical location of the facility including descriptive names.
- An outstanding feature of the area. (example: hill, river, vegetation)
- Commonly recognized subjects of historical significance such as; event, person (non-living), group, culture, or place.
- A person (non-living) or group who significantly contributed to the acquisition or development of the park/facility.
- An individual (non-living) who provided an exceptional service in the interest of the park system as a whole or for the community as a whole.
- A person (living) whose contribution or significant gift is of a most extra ordinary nature.
- Naming may be considered based on the provision of significant funding that underwrites the cost of renovation or construction of City property. Financial underwriting shall be broadly defined as substantial monetary or property acquisition to occur. This may include monetary gifts and/or grants that leverage federal, state and local funding for such projects or complete donation of land.
- Parks and facilities that are donated to the City can be named by deed restriction by the donor. The naming and acceptance of land subject to approval by the City Council.
- Naming may not conflict with public grant funding policies established by state and/or federal grant funding programs.

Exclusions:

1. Naming associations with tobacco, alcohol, contraceptives, religious organizations, political candidates or adjudicated felons are prohibited.
2. The dedication of small park amenities with an identifiable lifespan and not intended to be permanent such as fixed park benches and tables shall be addressed under a separate parks policy.

Renaming:

The intent of naming is for permanent recognition. The renaming of parks and facilities is strongly discouraged. It is recommended that efforts to change a name be subject to the most crucial examination so as not to diminish the original justification for the name or discount the value of the prior contributors. Parks named for subjects, other than individuals, may be changed in name only if the current name is ineffectual or inappropriate.

Procedure:

- a) Staff, City residents, community leaders and organizations interested in proposing a name for a park, recreational area or facility must submit written recommendations, petitions, etc. for presentation to the Public Works Director for consideration by the Parks and Recreation Board. Recommendations need describe in detail why the candidate merits such recognition.
- b) When naming after a person or persons, written documentation of approval by next of kin to be honored (if available/possible) is required as part of the proposal.
- c) The Public Works Director with budgetary responsibility for a park and/or facility shall forward naming recommendations to the Parks and Recreation Board Chairperson.
- d) The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board shall consider all requests and submit a formal recommendation for names deemed worthy of consideration to the Mayor and City Council.
- e) The City Council will allow for public input and comment.
- f) The City Council will confirm park, recreation areas and facility names by resolution.
- g) The City Council has final approval and may reject any naming or renaming request.

Adopted by the Saint Peter Parks and Recreation Board: June 2020

Adopted by the Saint Peter City Council:



Memorandum

TO: Honorable Mayor Zieman
Members of the City Council

DATE: 5/29/2020

FROM: Todd Prafke
City Administrator

RE: COVID-19 Business Request

ACTION/RECOMMENDATION

None needed. For Council review and discussion only.

BACKGROUND

As promised at the City Council meeting on May 26th, time has been included on the workshop agenda for Council discussion regarding the request made by a resident via email to the Mayor and in person at the Council meeting.

I will be prepared to facilitate a Council discussion on this request as part of the workshop on Monday evening.

We have included some information from a city that has taken the action. That City was mentioned by Scott Lager at the last Council meeting. I have also included two letters from area Chamber of Commerce organizations and some guidance from the League of Minnesota Cities on this issue based questions they received from Ham Lake.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about this agenda item.

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Barbara Luker

From: Scott Lager <lager.scott@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 22, 2020 5:25 PM
To: woody@hickorytech.net
Subject: Re: Open business in St. Peter
Attachments: Ham Laker June 2020.pdf

Chuck,

I am attaching the publication from Ham Lake that can also be found on their website. Again, let me know where and how to attend the meeting on Tuesday if you need me. This also took place on May 20th for the City of Eveleth!

Thank you,

Scott Lager

On Fri, May 22, 2020 at 11:28 AM Scott Lager <lager.scott@gmail.com> wrote:

I am willing and able, let me know how I can help and participate. I believe any businesses that are on the verge of closure would be grateful at the chance and would take responsible precautions. It would be an option.

Thank you,

Scott

On Fri, May 22, 2020, 11:23 AM <woody@hickorytech.net> wrote:

Scott,

I agree with you. I am not sure what effect Ham Lake decision will have. Other communities have done this only to find that if the business is required to have a State License and opens, the State will "come down" on them. It is up to the individual business owner at that point to decide to open or not. I have never understood the differentiation between essential and non essential. I can read your email but I think it would be more effective if you did. I can let you know how to do this, if you want, during our Tuesday, May 26th meeting.

Chuck

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On 05/22/2020 10:32 AM, Scott Lager wrote:

Ham Lake is the latest city to allow local businesses to open with a 5-0 vote. They will not enforce the governor's restrictions! Please get on board to have this discussion at council, it is important enough to call a special meeting. The zero percent loans are not sufficient enough to low business survival. Please walk your town and survey your business owners...I have! They have furrowed employees at all the establishments I have talked to. This is shameful and I would trust our local friends and neighbors over the chain stores our citizens are shopping in Mankato any day. Please feel free to read my email at council and please let me know the end result!

Scott Lager, St. Peter

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Resolution No. 20-13:

Constitutional and Business-Friendly Community Resolution

WHEREAS, the Fourteenth Amendment of the United States Constitution reads, "No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States, nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws," and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Ham Lake, Minnesota wishes to express opposition to any Executive Order that would restrict the constitutional rights of the residents of Ham Lake to life, liberty, or property, without due process of law, and

WHEREAS, Governor Walz's Emergency Executive Order 20-33 Extending Stay at Home Order and Temporary Closure of Bars, Restaurants, and Other Places of Public Accommodation states, "Nothing in this Executive Order is intended to encourage or allow law enforcement to transgress individual constitutional rights."

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ham Lake, Minnesota

That the City Council of Ham Lake hereby expresses its intent to uphold and protect the Constitutional rights of the citizens of Ham Lake, and

That the City Council of Ham Lake hereby declares Ham Lake as a "Constitutional and Business Friendly Community," and

That the City Council of Ham Lake hereby declares its intent to oppose any infringement by Executive Order or any other directive on the rights of law-abiding citizens to keep their businesses open, and

That the City Council of Ham Lake hereby requests relief from Governor Walz's Executive Orders and urges that emergency orders and implementation of a response to the COVID-19 pandemic be balanced between the Governor, state legislature, and individual municipalities and local government agencies, and

That the City Council of Ham Lake will not direct any City of Ham Lake resources to enforce any Executive Order, or any other directive which infringes on the right of law-abiding citizens to keep their businesses open, as per the Constitution, and

That the City Council of Ham Lake will use any legal means that is prudent to protect the Constitutional rights of the citizens of Ham Lake.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED by the City Council of City of Ham Lake, Minnesota, as follows:

That the Ham Lake City Council supports the choice of all residents to continue to stay at home, or to move about freely within the city and to support the economy of Ham Lake, while conducting themselves in a way that preserves the health and safety of all residents.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Ham Lake this 18th day of May, 2020.

(Signed by Mayor, Mike VanKirk, and City Clerk, Denise Webster)

From the Mayor

Last month the City Council unanimously passed Resolution 20-13 titled *Constitutional and Business Friendly Community Resolution*. I have asked that it be printed in the Ham Laker this month for all to see. Its blunt and straight to the point.

We believe the shutdown order is unconstitutional and unfair, to say the least. Businesses are being subjected to heavy-handed bullying without due process. The decisions are being made by one man without going through a legislative process. The powers to be are picking and choosing winners and losers and we've had enough.

Does it make sense that shopping Walmart, Target, Fleet Farm, Home Depot, all hardware stores, all gas stations, and many other "essential" businesses is fine but you're not allowed to shop at a mom and pop shop in Ham Lake? Did you know that if a furniture store sells an office chair then it's considered essential? Yea, well it makes me mad as well! I'd just like to get a haircut and attend my church.

Funny how I can be in a big box store with 500 others and that's OK, but I can't attend my church of about 70 people. Totally wrong! If I can practice social distancing and wear a mask in Menards and be considered safe, then I can do the same at my church, my barber, and even when I order a hamburger.

The discussion leading up to the Resolution varied from constitutionality to civil disobedience and everything in between. But it was clear that this City Council, the Ham Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, and our citizens are running out of patience. I have to keep this brief. Ham Lakers are intelligent folks who can think for themselves. I just want to leave you with some items that were discussed.

One topic discussed vigorously was the extent of emergency powers being forced on us. It's interesting to know that three states that border us have no "stay at home" orders. The fourth, Wisconsin, just got slammed by the courts and was liberated.

Here's a thought. Why wouldn't Governor Walz consider letting County Boards decide what course of action they want? Itasca County is a far cry from Hennepin and Ramsey County, yet we are all ruled as if we are the same. We're not.

Kudos to Governor Walz for his aggressive action in the beginning working with the U of M, Mayo, etc. Great work hustling to get more testing and PPE in place. That's great.

Unfortunately, none of the secret models used came to fruition. The goal posts keep getting moved. The number of people dying doesn't match the estimates. We know the stats. 80% of deaths are in long term facilities. The average age of deaths from COVID-19 is 82. We were told to shut down so we wouldn't overwhelm our medical facilities. Well, we never did, so let's open up and get back to work.

We're not all in this together. Government, big box stores, big corps are all doing fine while the little guy loses everything they've worked for...by executive order.



Mayor Mike Van Kirk

2020 Elections

While these are unprecedented times for our state and country, open and fair elections represent the core of our democracy. Election planning must be carried out to support the constitutional right to vote, even in the face of this pandemic.

If you are unable to go to your poll place on Election Day, you may cast an Absentee Ballot during the 46 days prior to Election Day either at Ham Lake City Hall or Anoka County Elections.

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION: AUGUST 11
Absentee Voting Period: June 28-August 10

GENERAL ELECTION: NOVEMBER 3
Absentee Voting Period: September 18-November 2

You can also contact Anoka County Elections at 763-324-1300 to get an Absentee Ballot Application mailed to you. The ballot request allows voters to receive their State Primary and General Election Ballots through the mail.

CAN I VOTE?

- You must be at least 18 years old on election day
- You must be a citizen of the US

- You must have lived in Minnesota for 20 days prior to election day
- You must not be ineligible because of court order for incompetence, under sentence for felony, etc.

You must update your registration any time you change your address or name. If you're not yet registered to vote at your current address, you can pre-register until July 21 at 4:30 pm if registering in person, or until midnight online.

To pre-register: contact Anoka County Elections (2100 3rd Ave, Suite W130 in Anoka; 763-324-1300).

Or you can download a form at:
anokacounty.us/245/Voter-Registration-Information.

You may also register at the polling place on Election Day, with acceptable identification as allowed by state law.

Articles and photos that appear in *The Ham Laker*, together with other useful information about the City, can be found on the City's website:
www.ci.ham-lake.mn.us

Ham Lake City Council News

At its April 20 meeting, the City Council took the following actions:

- Approved items on the Consent Agenda
- It was the consensus of the City Council to direct Attorney Murphy to amend the City Code Article 10-103 Other Requirements from 10 or more acres to 5 or more acres.
- The City Council discussed current COVID-19 restrictions and policies moving into the future. For City changes, please refer to Mayor Van Kirk's article in the May Ham Laker.

At its May 4 meeting, the City Council took the following actions:

- Approved items on the Consent Agenda, including:
 - Resolution No. 20-10 amending North Metro Telecommunications Commission Joint and Cooperative Agreement (JPA).

Visit the City's website to view Council meeting videos on-demand and agenda minutes of City Council, Planning Commission and Park & Tree Commission meetings: www.ci.ham-lake.mn.us.

- Resolution 20-11 Supporting the Protections of Community Television Act.
- First Reading of an Ordinance amending Subdivision Regulations Article 10-103 to reduce the qualifying lot sizes for lot divisions that are not required to have access onto a paved public road.
- Exempt Permit for Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation to hold raffle on September 26, 2020 at Willow Tree Winery, 828 Constance Boulevard NE.
- Concurred with Planning Commission to approve the Sketch Plan presented by Jim Malvin, EKN Properties and Tim Lang, Lang Properties, for Evergreen Estates, a 36-lot single family residential development, located in Section 21 subject meeting the requirements.
- It was the consensus of the City Council to raise the purchasing age to 21 years old, but keep the sellers age to 18 years old, to reflect recent legislation by the federal government.

Caring for Our Wetlands

Are you planning to garden, landscape, grade or make changes to the lower, soggy areas on your property? Do you dump grass clippings or leaves, brush or other materials there?

Some activities are illegal if they affect wetlands or other water bodies.

How do you know if it's a wetland? This can be difficult as many wetlands are not very wet! In fact, they may only be typically soggy a couple weeks of the growing season and, under law, still be a wetland. Often, but not always, they are located in a drainage and utility easement, noted on your property survey.

Contact the Coon Creek Watershed District if you're within our District boundary (763-755-0975) or look it up on our website: www.cooncreekwd.org. If you're not in our District, call the Anoka Conservation District (ACD) at 763-434-2030.

Wetlands serve many functions. They filter stormwater pollution, act as sponges for rainstorms and snowmelt which helps reduce flooding, and provide wildlife habitat. When there's negative impact the wetland may not hold as much water or filter stormwater runoff because the ground has been compacted.

A permit is needed to excavate, drain or fill any legal wetland because of the many functions of wetlands listed above. Minnesota enacted the Wetland Conservation Act (WCA) to help protect their landscape function, among others.

Remove "fill" like sod, brush, rock piles, trash, wood chips and grass clippings from low areas.

Please help reduce flooding potential and prevent pollution. Give us a call if you have any questions about our water resources.

Contact Coon Creek Watershed District with any questions by email (info@cooncreekwd.org) or phone (763-755-0975).

Sheriff's Report

Thefts & Damage to Property

- 04.03 11xx 137 Ave NE—Grandparent Scam; requested \$12K be sent to NYPD. Thankfully an alert courier contacted the potential victim and was able to advise him this was a scam.
- 04.07 14xx Lombardy Dr NE—license plates stolen off a vehicle parked outside
- 04.09 168xx Leyte St NE—license plate stolen off a vehicle parked in the driveway overnight
- 04.09 15xx 143 Lane NE—Scam; Craig's List, fake check sent to purchase a car
- 04.10 10xxx E Vermillion Circle NE—Fraud; Publisher Clearing House call, requested \$500 to claim
- 04.13 28xx 162 Ave NE—home was egged; suspects identified
- 04.14 153xx Central Ave NE—catalytic converter cut off work vehicle parked at the location
- 04.15 171xx Nassau St NE—tools stolen from an unsecured vehicle overnight
- 04.15 138xx Johnson St NE—theft of a license plate from a vehicle parked at a business
- 04.15 37xx 170 Lane NE—Fraud; applied for a job on Facebook, provided banking and drivers license information
- 04.15 32xx 134 Ave NE—Fraud; email, blackmail requesting payment in Bitcoin
- 04.16 11xx 133 Lane NE—Fraud; email, blackmail requesting payment in Bitcoin
- 04.19 147xx Able St NE—three bikes stolen from a shed
- 04.20 34xx Crosstown Blvd NE—fraud; attempting to sell vehicle, received fake check for double \$
- 04.20 138xx Aberdeen St NE—catalytic converter cut off a vehicle in the sales lot
- 04.20 174xx Intertachen Dr NE—medications were stolen from mailbox
- 04.22 178xx Jefferson St NE—scam; threatening a blackmail video, requesting Bitcoin
- 04.23 166xx Edison St NE—work tools stolen from unlocked vehicle
- 04.27 153xx Central Ave NE— theft of license plates from vehicle
- 04.30 154xx Terrace Rd NW—fraud; video blackmail requesting payment in Bitcoin
- 05.03 17xx 143 Lane NE—damage to a motorcycle parked in the driveway

- 05.03 146xx Hwy 65 NE—vehicle spray painted while victim was in a store
- 05.04 157xx Lincoln St NE—unsecured 3-wheeler stolen off a trailer parked on the property
- 05.05 13xx McKay Dr NE—resident witnessed a suspicious woman going through mailboxes
- 05.06 34xx 133 Lane NE—home egged overnight
- 05.06 29xx 174 Ave NE—scam; blackmail via email requesting payment in Bitcoin

Burglaries

- 04.15 137xx Aberdeen St NE—business; broke window to gain access to product
- 04.21 43xx 162 Ave NE—garage, no forced entry; tools stolen

Arrests/Incidents

- 04.07 14xx Lombardy Dr NE—Assault; deputies responded to two juveniles fist fighting. One juvenile was arrested.
- 04.11 181xx Hwy 65 NE—Domestic Assault, physical domestic between a boyfriend/girlfriend. The boyfriend was arrested, and the girlfriend was issued a citation.
- 04.15 14xx Constance Blvd NE—DANCO, Drugs; a deputy responded to a "slumper" in a parking lot. He woke the male and female in the vehicle and identified them. There was an "order for protection" between them and the male was arrested. Drugs and paraphernalia were located.
- 04.15 153xx Jackson St NE—Burglary, Drugs; A male was seen around a building and then in a vehicle that got stuck in the woods on someone's property. Deputies located a male. Witnesses identified him as the male seen doing the burglary. He was arrested. During the arrest drugs were located.
- 04.18 15200 Blk Hwy 65 NE—Assault, 2nd degree Refusal, No Proof of Insurance, Littering, Marijuana in a Motor Vehicle, Open Bottle; deputies responded to a call of a hit-and-run. The victim was following the suspect vehicle. While following, the suspect vehicle stopped, her passenger got out and assaulted the victim with a beer bottle and took off again. Field sobriety tests were issued and failed. She was arrested. Her passenger was also arrested for Assault.
- 05.02 16xx 143 Lane NE—Assault; physical fight between two male neighbors, one possessing a gun. When they arrived the suspect with the gun was trying to leave. Deputies were able to take control of the situation and he was arrested.

July Issue Deadline: Wednesday, June 10

Please send all Ham Laker correspondence, articles and ideas to:

City of Ham Lake
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What's Happening at the Senior Center

THE SENIOR CENTER IS CLOSED until further notice. Stay safe!!

Have You Filled Out Your 2020 Census?

As of mid-May, Minnesota leads the nation with 67% of Census results in, with a national average of 56.3%. Wisconsin is second with 64.3%.

Anoka County is the second best county in the state with 76.3%, only surpassed by Carver County with 76.7%. Ham Lake is the second best city in Anoka county at 83.1%, with Andover at 86.1%.

The census is happening now!

Use your postcard to respond online by going to: 2020census.gov.

What everyone needs to know

The 2020 Census is here and your participation is important! By responding to the Census, you make sure our communities get their fair share of billions of dollars in funding for health care, schools, transportation, roads, public safety and much more. In 2016, Minnesota received \$15,459,175,947 through 55 federal spending programs guided by data derived from the 2010 Census.

In March, you should've received an invitation in the mail to respond online to the 2020 Census. A reminder letter and paper questionnaire was sent April 8-16. During the week of April 20-27, a final reminder postcard will be sent before the Census begins following up in person.

To complete the 2020 Census

If you didn't receive or see an invitation delivered to your residence, don't worry! You can still respond by going to 2020census.gov. You can also complete your census over the phone by calling 844-330-2020. Spanish speakers may call 844-468-2020. Customer service representatives are available in many languages. Please visit this page for more on languages: 2020census.gov/en/ways-to-respond/responding-by-phone.

For questions about the 2020 Census call: 844-330-2020 from 6:00 am to 1:00 am Central Time daily.

Why your answers matter

\$2,800 is distributed for each Minnesotan annually to pay for public services. Learn about how the census data brings dollars into Minnesota go to:

mn.gov/admin/assets/IPP-1819-3%20CountingforDollars_MN_tcm36-375988.pdf

Your voice

After each census, state officials redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts, adapting to population shifts. Learn more:

2020census.gov/content/dam/2020census/materials/partners/2019-08/Brochure_About_Residence_Criteria.pdf

Your privacy

Federal law protects your census responses. The Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about individuals, households, or businesses, even to law enforcement agencies.

Response Rates

Are you curious about how many people in your community are responding to the 2020 Census? Stay up to date with this map of self-response rates: 2020census.gov/en/response-rates.

Voice Your Concerns on City Storm Water Treatment June 15th

The City of Ham Lake obtained a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), which addresses areas to reduce or eliminate pollutants from storm water runoff.

An important component of Ham Lake's permit is public education and outreach. Citizens are invited to participate in an annual public meeting and to report concerns or illicit discharges to City staff.

This meeting allows citizens an opportunity to give written or oral input on the program. The City must consider these suggestions and make appropriate adjustments to the program when submitting its annual report to the MPCA.

The meeting will be held at 6:01 p.m. on June 15, 2020, at the Ham Lake City Council meeting. The public is encouraged to submit written comments/concerns on the Storm Water Pollution Plan by June 23 to City Hall at 15544 Central Avenue NE.

A copy of the SWPPP will be available for review at City Hall or from the City web sit (www.ci.hamlake.mn.us) under Services and Water/Stormwater.

For more information, contact the City at 763-434-9555.

Notice to Ham Lake Residents Who Live on Ham Lake

The Ham Lake Lake Association will be treating for Curlyleaf Pondweed and/or Eurasian Milfoil in 2020.

If you live on Ham Lake and prefer NOT to have the area in front of your residence treated, please email the association at: hlla55304@gmail.com.

Freedom Festival Postponed

The Ham Lake Chamber of Commerce has made the decision to postpone the Freedom Festival and Fireworks that was scheduled for June 27. It is tentatively rescheduled for Saturday, August 29.

Watch for future updates!

Property Tax Assessment Information

All property owners should have received their 2020 Tax Statements and the Valuation Notices from Anoka County. If you have not received your statements, call Anoka County Property Records at 763-323-5400 or view the information at www.anokacounty.us.

If you have questions or want to appeal the valuation or the classification of a residential or agricultural property in Ham Lake, call the Residential City Assessor, Mary Wells at 763-412-1966 x701 or email her at mnaessormary@gmail.com.

If you have questions or want to appeal the valuation or classification of a commercial, industrial or apartment property in Ham Lake, call the Commercial City Assessor, Erik Skogquist at 763-412-1966 x700 or email him at mnaessorerik@gmail.com.

Most questions and appeals can be resolved with Mary and Erik. If you aren't satisfied with the outcome of discussions with the City Assessors, you may appeal your valuation or classification of property at the Anoka County Board of Appeal meeting on June 15 at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Anoka county Government Center (2100 3rd Ave, Room #705 in Anoka). To schedule an appointment for that Board meeting, please call 763-324-1175.

April Building Permits

The City of Ham Lake issued 133 permits in April with a valuation of \$1,143,696.00.

The issued permits are as follows: one commercial sign, four residential new construction, one residential accessory building, one residential accessory building remodel, three residential basement finish, two residential garage addition, five residential remodel, three residential porch, four residential miscellaneous, 11 residential deck, three residential pools, one residential window, 50 residential roofing/ siding. Other permits include 23 mechanical, 13 plumbing and 8 septic installations.

Fire Department Calls

The Ham Lake Fire Department responded to 37 calls during April: 21 during the day and 16 at night. These included 6 structure calls (2 Fire Alarms, 6 CO Alarms, 0 vehicle calls, 4 rescue calls, 8 medical calls, 12 wildland calls, 2 mutual aid calls, and 5 misc. calls.

The department spent 19 hours on calls with total personal time adding up to 279 hours. Year-to-date, the department has answered 195 calls, compared with 170 calls at the same time last year.

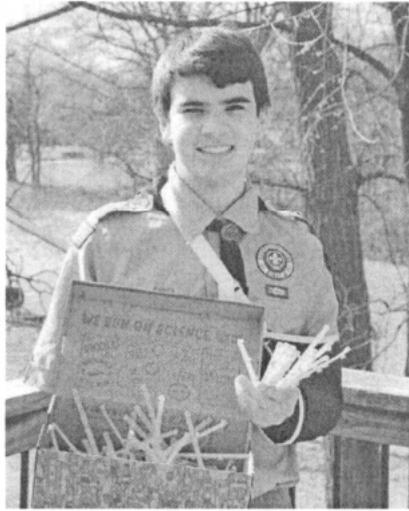
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Doing a Good Turn Daily

Matt Moskalik, a Scout in BSA Troop 3509 in Ham Lake, has wanted a 3D printer for years. When *Stay Home MN* was announced, he spent the first days of his spring break researching 3D printers. He convinced his parents there was a good sale, and that two weeks of no school and no place to go was the perfect time to get one.



Matt Moskalik with the Ear Savers he prints from his 3D printer and donates to local healthcare workers

After the 3D printer arrived, Matt spent the first days learning how to use it and making some test prints of dogs, cats, fish and a submarine for friends. People shared photos with family and friends. One of them told his mom about a boy that was using his 3D printer to make Ear Savers for healthcare workers.

The Ear Savers provide a way to attach face masks behind the head instead of around the ears. Face masks have elastic that go around the ear and cause irritation to the skin behind the ear during extended wear necessary during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Matt researched some different styles of Ear Savers and asked some nurses he knows for feedback. He chose a pattern that printed quickly, had several lengths and didn't get tangled in pony tails. He negotiated the purchase of upgraded filament to print the best quality he could.

Every morning Matt starts a new batch of Ear Savers. The longest ones print 28 in about 7 hours. A batch of 10 shorter ones takes about 3 hours.

He delivers them as fast as he can print them. He doesn't have an exact count of how many he's printed, he just says, "hundreds." He'll continue to print Ear Savers as long as he gets requests for them.

This project started out as simply doing some good for the world during the COVID-19 pandemic. As Matt started delivering, he came to realize the connections he has to medical staff.

He's had several friends and family members with extended hospital stays. He has classmates with parents who work in health care. And a friend of his is currently hospitalized for leukemia treatment.

Matt delivered his most recent batch to a nurse who recently cared for his friend, along with a note thanking her.

Ascension Fitness: A Different Kind of Gym

Ascension Fitness opened in 2009, and moved to its current location in Ham Lake in late 2018 (1321 Andover Blvd NE, Suite 106). Owners William (Bill) Israelson and Michele Wunderlich have worked hard to provide a different kind of gym.

The biggest difference? Personal training is included in every membership. Every time members walk through the door, their trainer has their personalized plan ready for them for that day.

Michele said, "They find out they can be pushed harder than they think! Certainly harder than they would push themselves."

Ascension has a smaller membership roster than larger gyms and franchises. That gives them some advantages, especially the ability to provide a community atmosphere. Members routinely socialize while at the gym. They know the owners personally. Bill and Michele even plan off-site events for their members like picnics and movie nights.

During this COVID-19 shutdown, Ascension's members have kept actively working out through virtual training sessions. William explains, "We had already played with the idea of virtual training. So when the orders came to shut down, we already had one foot on that path. We fired up the app and Zoom and quickly turned to virtual."

What about post-COVID when small businesses can open again? Michele shares, "We only have 15-35 people work out on-site on any given day. It'll be very easy for us to keep up with cleaning and disinfecting."

Both Michele and Bill prefer in-person coaching over virtual training. But they already know they'll keep the door open to virtual in the future. "Some people will be leary of jumping back into a gym right away. We want to accommodate that. Virtual training also offers more flexibility in location and saves our members on travel time. We'll give people the choice once we open back up," said Bill.

Is Ascension Fitness the right fit for you? Their ideal member is motivated to get and stay healthy, enjoy life and stay around a long time for their loved ones. It's someone who doesn't mind being pushed and enjoys being part of a fitness community.

Bill leaves us with this advice: "Now is the time to take personal responsibility for your health. Aim to have the strongest immune system you can have."

For more information head over to the website: www.ascensionft.com.



Ascension Fitness owners Michele Wunderlich and William Israelson

Scam Warning from the Sheriff's Office

Scammers are out in full force. Let's just go with the "everything is a scam right now" mindset. Hang up, delete, ignore and never click on a link.

One scam that has been reported many times is in the form of an email. The sender says they have your password and access to your accounts. They claim to have found compromising videos, photos or information about you that they're going to share with all your contacts unless you pay them.

There's no way for us to trace this email. They are all fraudulent and run through multiple servers, IP addresses and countries. Your email address and the information they obtained about your password was more than likely bought on the "dark web." Typically, the password information they say they have is old.

We recommend that if you do get an email like this, go into your accounts and change your passwords.

Community Calendar

JUNE 2020

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June 1: City Council mtg. City Hall 6:00 pm
 June 8: Planning Commission meeting, City Hall 6:00 pm
 June 10: *The Ham Laker* deadline for July issue
 June 15: City Council mtg. City Hall 6:00 pm
 June 17: Park & Tree Commission meeting, City Hall 6:00 pm
 June 22: Planning Commission meeting, City Hall 6:00 pm

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Key: (1) ~~language to be deleted~~ (2) new language

CHAPTER 74--H.F.No. 4556

An act relating to state government; providing for COVID-19 policy and certain other policy changes; extending certain deadlines; covering certain COVID-19 health expenses; providing temporary emergency authority; expanding usage of electronic communication, applications, and signatures; appropriating additional money for grants to Second Harvest Heartland to purchase commodities from Minnesota farmers; modifying certain vehicle registration provisions; allowing nonposting of tax delinquency and suspension of nondelivery of liquor or beer related to delinquency; modifying certain treatment provisions; correcting errors in health and human services appropriations; making forecast adjustments; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, sections 168.013, by adding a subdivision; 245F.03; 245F.04, by adding a subdivision; 254B.03, subdivision 1; 299C.46, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, sections 13D.02, subdivision 1; 168.013, subdivision 1a; 254A.03, subdivision 3; 256B.0759, subdivisions 3, 4; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 1, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 9, article 14, section 2, subdivisions 2, 24, 30, 31, by adding a subdivision; Laws 2020, chapter 71, article 2, section 15, subdivision 3, by adding subdivisions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 524; repealing Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 254B.03, subdivision 4a; Minnesota Rules, parts 9530.6600, subparts 1, 3; 9530.6605, subparts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 21a, 21b, 24a, 25, 25a, 26; 9530.6610, subparts 1, 2, 3, 5; 9530.6615; 9530.6620; 9530.6622; 9530.6655.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

ARTICLE 1

COVID-19 POLICY

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2019 Supplement, section 13D.02, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Conditions.** (a) A meeting governed by section 13D.01, subdivisions 1, 2, 4, and 5, and this section may be conducted by interactive television so long as:

(1) all members of the body participating in the meeting, wherever their physical location, can hear and see one another and can hear and see all discussion and testimony presented at any location at which at least one member is present;

(2) members of the public present at the regular meeting location of the body can hear and see all discussion and testimony and all votes of members of the body;

(3) at least one member of the body is physically present at the regular meeting location; and

(4) all votes are conducted by roll call so each member's vote on each issue can be identified and recorded; and

(5) each location at which a member of the body is present is open and accessible to the public.

(b) A meeting satisfies the requirements of paragraph (a), although a member of the public body participates from a location that is not open or accessible to the public, if the member has not participated more than three times in a calendar year from a location that is not open or accessible to the public, and:

(1) the member is serving in the military and is at a required drill, deployed, or on active duty; and ~~or~~

(2) the member has not participated more than three times in a calendar year from a location that is not open or accessible to the public:

(2) the member has been advised by a health care professional against being in a public place for personal or family medical reasons. This clause only applies when a state of emergency has been declared under section 12.31, and expires 60 days after the removal of the state of emergency.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

See 12.31

12.31 NATIONAL SECURITY OR PEACETIME EMERGENCY; DECLARATION.

Subdivision 1. **Declaration of national security emergency.** When information from the President of the United States, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Department of Defense, or the National Warning System indicates the imminence of a national security emergency within the United States, which means the several states, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the occurrence within the state of Minnesota of a major disaster from enemy sabotage or other hostile action, the governor may, by proclamation, declare that a national security emergency exists in all or any part of the state. If the legislature is then in regular session or, if it is not, if the governor concurrently with the proclamation declaring the emergency issues a call convening immediately both houses of the legislature, the governor may exercise for a period not to exceed 30 days the powers and duties conferred and imposed by sections 12.31 to 12.37 and 12.381. The lapse of these emergency powers does not, as regards any act occurring or committed within the 30-day period, deprive any person, political subdivision, municipal corporation, or body politic of any right to compensation or reimbursement that it may have under this chapter.

Subd. 2. **Declaration of peacetime emergency.** (a) The governor may declare a peacetime emergency. A peacetime declaration of emergency may be declared only when an act of nature, a technological failure or malfunction, a terrorist incident, an industrial accident, a hazardous materials accident, or a civil disturbance endangers life and property and local government resources are inadequate to handle the situation. If the peacetime emergency occurs on Indian lands, the governor or state director of emergency management shall consult with tribal authorities before the governor makes such a declaration. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the governor's authority to act without such consultation when the situation calls for prompt and timely action. When the governor declares a peacetime emergency, the governor must immediately notify the majority and minority leaders of the senate and the speaker and majority and minority leaders of the house of representatives. A peacetime emergency must not be continued for more than five days unless extended by resolution of the Executive Council up to 30 days. An order, or proclamation declaring, continuing, or terminating an emergency must be given prompt and general publicity and filed with the secretary of state.

(b) By majority vote of each house of the legislature, the legislature may terminate a peacetime emergency extending beyond 30 days. If the governor determines a need to extend the peacetime emergency declaration beyond 30 days and the legislature is not sitting in session, the governor must issue a call immediately convening both houses of the legislature. Nothing in this section limits the governor's authority over or command of the National Guard as described in the Military Code, chapters 190 to 192A, and required by the Minnesota Constitution, article V, section 3.

Subd. 3. **Effect of declaration of peacetime emergency.** A declaration of a peacetime emergency in accordance with this section authorizes the governor to exercise for a period not to exceed the time specified in this section the powers and duties conferred and imposed by this chapter for a peacetime emergency and invokes the necessary portions of the state emergency operations plan developed pursuant to section 12.21, subdivision 3, relating to response and recovery aspects and may authorize aid and assistance under the plan.

History: 1951 c 694 s 301; 1959 c 34 s 1; 1961 c 561 s 5; 1979 c 65 s 2; 1986 c 444; 1996 c 344 s 20; 1999 c 250 art 2 s 1; 2001 c 7 s 3; 2002 c 402 s 7-9,21; 2004 c 279 art 11 s 7; 2005 c 149 s 7; 2005 c 150 s 5,6,14