



Dear Residents,

It has been a hard 18 months dealing with the pandemic. Hopefully, we are on the way to recovery. Thanks to all of you who have supported our local businesses. Let's continue to do so as venues continue to open up. Please continue to be cautious and respect others need to continue to social distance and wear masks.

**City Hall**

The Willernie City Hall will continue have the doors locked. Our city clerk continues to work and can be reached by email, fax, or phone (651 429-2977) Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. If you need to transact business with the city inside the city hall for any reason, call Vickie for an appointment. Remember, you can drop off payments or important papers through the mail slot on the front door 24/7.



**A Big Thanks To Those Who Have Cleaned Up Their Yards**

A great many letters went out earlier this spring requesting local residents to please clean up their property where they were in violation of city ordinances. So many of you did and your yards look really nice, so GREAT JOB and THANK YOU. Let's continue to work together to make sure our city looks junk and clutter free.

**Trimming Greenery That Creates Driving Hazards**

I really appreciate all of the effort many of you have made to make your yards beautiful. It is a joy to walk around town and see all of the beautiful lawns and gardens. Please trim your bushes and tree branches that hang in/on the road or over the roadway. Our streets are narrow and often times the flora growing out of your yard creates a vision or driving hazard. Rick, our Maintenance Superintendent, will be cutting back any branches and bushes that have not been trimmed and the resulting brush will be left in your yard to clean up.



**Increase in Water and Sewer Costs**

Each year Mahtomedi increases the cost of supplying us water and Metropolitan Council increases our sewer cost annually and you will see that reflected in your current bill.

**Extra Trash Cost**

When you put extra trash out next to your garbage can, you need to know you will be charged extra for that trash by the garbage company.



**Just A Few More Summer Reminders:**

1. Please watch for children playing in the streets. Drive slowly through the town. When you have the chance, please talk to your children about playing in the streets. Several near accidents have happened in the past due to children playing in the streets not watching for cars and cars going too fast and not watching for children.
2. Your cats and dogs need to be licensed. Please bring proof of rabies shots to the city hall. Also, if you walk your dog in the city, please be courteous and clean up after them.



**Building Permits**

Summer is a time of fix it projects and building projects. Prior to any building, fixing, or repairing, please inquire as to whether you may need a permit. Building permits are required for all work that is structural in nature. Included in what needs permits are roof replacements, decks, fences, etc. (most everything that needs work requires a permit). It is much easier to call and find out if one is required than have the project red tagged because one was not issued. Fill permits are also required. Please check with the City Clerk.



## RECREATIONAL FIRES

Recreational fires are allowed in Willernie. A reminder of some of the rules and safety reminders governing recreational fires:

- Fires must be attended at all times.
- Fires must be put out when it is not longer being used.
- Smoke from a fire must not create a problem for your neighbors.
- Must have a fire pit. Pit can not exceed 3 feet in diameter.
- Fire should be no higher than 3 feet.
- Only natural wood should be burned in the fire pit.
  - Do not burn garbage, junk, old furniture, treated lumber, paper, etc.



## ADOPT A FIRE HYDRANT



Please feel free to adopt a fire hydrant this spring or summer. It does take a bit of elbow grease and a few scouring pads to remove the dirt and grim but the City will be most happy to supply the red paint for you to use and spiff up the fire hydrant on your corner.

## Enjoy Willernie Beach

Our beach is a great place on a hot summer day. Making a day's outing at one or more of our parks would be fun. Our beach provides a place for our residents to swim. It does not allow for boats to dock. If you see boats within our swimming area or tied up to our dock, please call the police. Please also enjoy our other city parks this summer. Both Milner Park and Willernie Park have nice picnic tables, swings and slides. Again, please remember social distancing.



## Annual Golf Tournament

8<sup>th</sup> Mostly Annual Willernie Golf Open is scheduled for August 14, **2021**. Put together a foursome and come and have fun at Applewood Golf Course. Cart, 18 holes of golf, lunch provided by Romas, prizes, and raffle. All profit from the event goes toward the purchase of new fire hydrants. Tell your friends.



Have a great rest of the summer,  
Please stay safe,  
Barb Parent, Mayor