

Posted 12/21/17

Stearns County has a program where residents can purchase discounted trees and shrubs for local planting. Trees can now be purchased online and picked up in the spring. Details are available at the following link: <https://www.stearnscountyswcd.net/shop>

Posted 12/17/17

CANDIDATE FILING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Town Clerk of the Township of Lynden, Stearns County, Minnesota, will be accepting Affidavits of Candidacy at the residence of the Clerk, 20517 Woodbine Rd, Clearwater MN 55320.

The first day to file Affidavits of Candidacy will be January 2, 2018 to January 16, 2018, 5:00 p.m., with the office of the Clerk (located at the Lynden Town Hall 21367 Co Rd 44) being open from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the last day of filing, January 16, 2018. The Annual Election to be held on March 13, 2018.

One Supervisor / Three year term

One Clerk / Two year term

Questions about running for election in the township? Email anne.ackerman@lyndentownship.net

Posted 11/1/17

There is nothing on the 2017 ballot for Lynden Township residents, thus the polls will not be open Tuesday, November 7th.

Posted 10/30/17

The Board & Planning Commission are finalizing the proposed updates to the Township's Subdivision Ordinance & Zoning Ordinance. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday November 27th at 6PM at the township hall. Everyone is welcome to attend to provide input on updating our ordinances. A public hearing will be set when the review is complete. Watch for details on this page.

Posted 9/19/17

Click on the blue link below to read the press release for Supervisor Jerry Finch's 2017 Outstanding Conservationist Award:

JERRY FINCH STEARNS SWCD 2017 OUTSTANDING CONSERVATIONIST
PRESS RELEASE

{Photo}

Jerry Finch Sampling for E. coli in Plum Creek

Posted 9/17/17

The Planning Commission and Township Board will meet Monday September 25th at 6:00PM at the township hall to continue discussion on proposed changes to the Township's Subdivision Ordinance. All are welcome to attend and provide input on this process.

Posted 8/25/17

Congratulations to Supervisor Jerry Finch who was recently recognized as Stearns County's 2017 Outstanding Conservationist for his work to improve the water quality of Plum Creek.

{Photo}

Jerry is pictured seated in the center of the front row surrounded by members of the Township Board (seated) and the Plum Creek Neighborhood Network (standing).

Posted 8/23/17

The Planning Commission and Township Board will meet Monday August 28 at the town hall at 6:00 PM to discuss proposed revisions to the township's Subdivision Ordinance.

Posted 7/26/17

The Township Board will continue discussion of possible conditions related to the Conditional Use Permit application submitted by Jerry's Towing located at 20026 Empire Road. This will occur at the August 7 regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

Posted 7/18/17

The Planning Commission and Township Board will meet Monday July 24 at the town hall at 6:30 PM to discuss the conditional use permit application submitted by Jerry's Towing. The township's Subdivision Ordinance is also on the agenda for continued discussion of proposed revisions.

Posted 7/14/17

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Lynden Township Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on Tuesday July 25, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Lynden Town Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater MN 55320 to consider a Conditional Use Permit application submitted for an outdoor vehicle sales lot and a towing and impound business at 20026 Empire Road. A Conditional Use Permit is required according to Sections 9.11.5L & 9.11.5V and subject to the performance standards listed in Section 6.44 and Section 7 of Stearns County Zoning Ordinance #439 adopted by reference as Lynden Township Ordinance #7. The subject property is PID #19.10600.0022 described as Lot 1 Block 3 of Clearview Terrace, Section 34, Township 123, Range 27 and PID #19.10224.0024 described as part of NW4NE4, Section 3, Township 122, Range 27.

If you are unable to attend, written comments can be sent to Jenny Schmidt, Lynden Township Clerk, 20517 Woodbine Rd., Clearwater MN 55320 or sent via email to clerk@lyndentownship.net

Posted 7/5/17

The Graniteman Triathlon will take place at and around Warner Lake County Park Saturday July 8th. Expect possible delays on the roads surrounding the park including Highway 143, 200th St. E., and Highway 145 by Clearwater.

Posted 6/8/17

Stearns County is hosting a FREE family fun summer event Friday June 16th from 4-7PM. It takes place in Lynden Township at Warner Lake County Park. Details are available at this link: [Warner Lake County Park Free Event](#).

Posted 5/16/17

The Township has enacted a moratorium on the establishment of commercial kennels. This will give the Town Board and Planning Commission and any interested parties up to a year to consider changes to the existing kennel standards. The next planning commission meeting is scheduled for Monday June 12th at 6PM at the township hall. The kennel ordinance will be discussed at that time. In addition, there will be continued discussion on updates to the township's Subdivision Ordinance.

The full ordinance is available [here](#) and the resolution is available [here](#).

Posted 4/7/17

Township cleanup day has been reinstated and will occur Saturday, April 29th.

Hours are 8 to 11AM. The event will once again be held jointly with the City of Clearwater and will take place at the Clearwater maintenance facility on Highway 75. As in the past, Lynden residents should line up along the shoulder of southbound County Road 75. Residents are allowed to dispose of one load of trash per household free of charge. (Identification will be checked at the entrance.) There will be a dumpster for free metal recycling. Tires, appliances, and electronic waste can be disposed of for a fee. Details of costs will be published in the Clearwater Tribune. Hazardous materials, batteries, paint, and light bulbs will not be accepted.

Standard recyclables such as bottles, plastic, aluminum cans and cardboard should not be brought to this event. They can be recycled free of charge (as part of your tax dollars) every other week through the township's contract with Republic Services. If you do not currently have a recycling bin, please see the Resources section of this website for information about how to request one. (Or click this link:) [Recycling Information](#)

Posted 4/3/17

There will be no spring clean-up with the City of Clearwater. The Board is researching options to hold a fall clean up event.

Posted 3/16/17

Important Information Regarding Assessment and Classification of Property
This may affect your 2018 property taxes.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal and Equalization for Lynden will meet on April 6, 2017, 7:00 - 7:30 pm, at Lynden Township Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater, MN 55320. The purpose of this meeting is to determine whether property in the jurisdiction has been properly valued and classified by the assessor.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact the Stearns County Assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation and classification after discussing it with the assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed. Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal and equalization.

Posted 3/15/17

Election Results

Incumbent Supervisor David L. Johnson defeated challenger Dennis Niemi 42-37. The Supervisor position is a three year term.

Treasurer Dan Torgersen was running unopposed and was elected to a two year term as Township Treasurer .

Posted 3/7/17

Annual Meeting Tuesday March 14th at 8:00PM

Please plan to attend Lynden Township's annual meeting which will take place after the township election (polls open at 2:00PM) at 8:00PM sharp. There will be a presentation about what has happened in your township in the past year and you will have the opportunity to vote on the township levy which directly effects your property taxes. The meeting typically lasts about an hour. Refreshments will be provided. The agenda is available here.

Posted 3/2/17

Notice of Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Lynden Township, the annual election of town officers and the annual meeting will be held Tuesday March 14, 2017, at the Lynden Township Hall, 21367 County Road 44. In the case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until March 21, 2017.

The election poll hours will be from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at which time the voters will elect one Supervisor for a three year term and one Treasurer for a two year term.

The Annual Meeting will commence at 8:00 p.m. to conduct all necessary business as prescribed by law.

The Board of Canvass will meet March 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to certify the official election results.

Posted 2/23/17

Stearns District Judge Upholds Township Kennel Conditional Use Permit Revocation

Voting Machine Testing

Seasonal Road Weight Restrictions in Effect February 21, 2017

Posted 2/6/17

The annual Township Audit will occur Tuesday February 28th at 6:00 p.m. at the Lynden Township Hall with the budget meeting and annual meeting planning to follow.

The annual township election and annual meeting will take place Tuesday March 14th at the Township Hall. The polls are open from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and the annual meeting will start at 8:00 p.m.

Posted 2/6/17

The Township Board and Planning Commission will meet Monday February 27th at 6:00 p.m. at the Lynden Township Hall to continue discussions regarding revisions to the Township's Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances. All interested parties are welcome.

Posted 1/3/17

Important Information Regarding Property Assessments

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will meet on Thursday April 6, 2017, 7:00 - 7:30 pm, at

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assessor's office to discuss your concerns. If you disagree with the valuation and classification

after discussing it with your assessor, you may appear before the local board of appeal and

equalization. The board will review your assessments and may make corrections as needed.

Generally, you must appeal to the local board before appealing to the county board of appeal

and equalization.

Appointments are required. Contact the Assessor's Office at 320-656-3680 to make an appointment.

Posted 12/26/16

Candidate Filing Notice

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The Annual Election will be held on March 14, 2017.

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One Treasurer / Two Year Term

Posted 11/20/16

Notice of Public Hearing

The Lynden Township Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on December 5, 2016 at 7:15 PM or thereabouts at the Lynden Town Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater MN 55320 to consider a variance application submitted by Kris Miller & Anne Ackerman to alter the roofline of an existing structure that does not meet the required setback from the road right of way. The structure is located approximately twenty five (25) feet from the township road right of way. Thirty (30) feet is required according to Stearns County Zoning Ordinance #439 Section 9.9.9 A.(3) adopted by reference as Lynden Township Ordinance #7. The subject property is ID #19.10954.0000 and described as Lot 25, Block 1 of Shores Point, Section 08, Township 122, Range 27, with a property address of 18420 Eaglewood Road, Clearwater, MN 55320.

If you are unable to attend, written comments can be sent to Jenny Schmidt, Lynden Township Clerk, 20517 Woodbine Rd., Clearwater MN 55320.

Posted 10/4/16

Election day is Tuesday, November 8th. Voting will take place at the Lynden Township Hall from 7AM - 8PM. Additional election information and a link to register can be found [here](#).

Posted 9/19/16

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Assessment

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Lynden, Stearns County, Minnesota, will meet at 7:45 p.m. on the 3rd day of October, 2016, or soon thereafter at the Lynden Town Hall, to pass upon the proposed reassessment of costs related to the mitigation of a nuisance on property located at 3022 Fulton Circle, Lynden Township, Minnesota. The reassessment is

authorized by Minn. Stat. § 429.071, Subd. 4, following the tax forfeiture and subsequent sale of the property to be assessed. The property proposed to be assessed is located at 3022 Fulton Circle, Lynden Township, Minnesota. The proposed assessment roll is on file for public inspection in the Town Clerk's office at Town Hall. The total amount of the proposed assessment is \$15,490. Adoption of the proposed assessment by the Town Board may be taken at the hearing. Written or oral objections to the proposed assessments by any property owner will be considered at the meeting. No appeal may be taken as to the amount of the assessment unless a written objection, signed by the property owner, is filed with the Town Clerk prior to the hearing or presented to the presiding officer at the hearing.

An owner may appeal an assessment to the District Court pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.081 by serving written notice of the appeal upon the Town Board Chair or Town Clerk within thirty (30) days after the adoption of the assessment and filing such notice with the District Court within ten (10) days after service upon the Town Board Chair or Town Clerk.

Minnesota Statutes Section 435.193 through 435.195 authorize a municipality to defer the payment of assessments against homestead property owned by persons 65 years of age and older, or who are retired because of permanent and total disability under circumstances where it would be a hardship for such person to make the assessment payments. When deferment of the special assessment has been granted and is terminated for any reason provided in that law, all amounts accumulated plus applicable interest become due. Lynden Township does not currently authorize such hardship deferrals.

Posted 9/19/16

Notice of Public Hearing on Road Vacation

The Town Board hereby schedules a public hearing to consider the vacation of that portion of the road described as follows: That portion of the alley located east of and abutting lots 9, 10, 11 and 12 and located west of and abutting lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, all in Block 69 of the plat of the Townsite of Clearwater on record in the Stearns County Recorder's Office.

Said public hearing shall be held on October 3, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lynden Town Hall.

Posted 9/7/16

Election day is Tuesday, November 8th. Voting will take place at the Lynden Township Hall from 7AM - 8PM. Additional election information and a link to register can be found [here](#).

Posted 8/5/16

Primary election day is Tuesday August 9th. Voting will take place at the Lynden Township Hall. Additional election information and a link to register can be found [here](#).

Posted 6/29/16

At the July 11, 2016 board meeting, the Lynden Township Board will be reviewing offers to consider reduction of the special assessment currently levied against the property located at 3022 Fulton Circle (PID #19.10792.0000). If you are interested in submitting an offer, please follow the procedure outlined in this letter.

Posted 6/17/16

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Lynden Township Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on June 28, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Lynden Town Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater MN 55320 to consider modification of an existing conditional use permit as a result of a variance application submitted by Ruff's Pet Resort to increase the number of animals kept on a boarding kennel property. The applicant is requesting an increase to 250 animals. No more than 40 animals are allowed according to Stearns County Zoning Ordinance #439 Section 6.32.1 F.(1) adopted by reference as Lynden Township Ordinance #7. The subject property is ID #19.10313.0015 and described as 10.00 A. W2SE4SW4, Section 9, Township 122, Range 27, with a property address of 1120 County Road 46, Clearwater, MN 55320.

If you are unable to attend, written comments can be sent to Jenny Schmidt, Lynden Township Clerk, 20517 Woodbine Rd., Clearwater MN 55320.