Posted 12/20/2019

Clearwater Council invited the Townships of Lynden and Clearwater to attend the January 13th ,2020 7:00 p.m. meeting at the Clearwater City Hall, 605 Co Rd 75 regarding a Fire Truck purchase. Two or more Lynden Township Supervisors may attend this meeting.

Posted 12/13/19

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 December 31, 2019 to January 14, 2020, 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 14, 2020. The Annual Election to be held on March 10, 2020.

One Supervisor / Three year term One Clerk / Two year term

Posted 12/3/2019

The Lynden Township Board, Stearns County, is requesting quotes for single sort, residential recycling to be picked up every other week. Currently there are 555 each, 64 gallon wheeled recycling bins in service at the homes of Lynden Township residents. Quotes will be opened at or about 7:30 p.m. on January 6th, 2020, at the Lynden Township Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater, MN. 55320. Quotes must be mailed or delivered to the Lynden Township Clerk, Jenny Schmidt, 20517 Woodbine Road, Clearwater, MN. 55320 and arrive no later than 6:00 p.m., Friday on January 3rd, 2020. The Township Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Quotes.

Posted 12/3/2019

A Special Meeting will be held with Clearwater Township, Lynden Township and the City of Clearwater at the Clearwater City Hall, 605 Co Rd 75, on Monday December 16th at 4:30 p.m. to discuss fire contracts. Two or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 11/22/2019 CANCELLED

The Special Meeting that was posted on 11/20/2019 that will be with Clearwater Township, Lynden Township and the City of Clearwater will be held at the Clearwater City Hall, 605 Co

Rd 75 on Tuesday, November 26 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss fire contracts. Two or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 11/20/2019 CANCELLED

A Special Meeting will be held with Clearwater Township, Lynden Township and the City of Clearwater at the Clearwater City Hall, 605 Co Rd 75 or in the alternative, Clearwater Township Hall, 15015 State Hwy 24 on Tuesday, November 26 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss fire contracts. Two or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 11/15/2019

Plum Creek delisted from the EPA Impaired Waters List. Here is the link to the Story.

Posted 10/30/2019

Snow Plowing Agreement Signed

Lynden Township has a signed agreement for Winter 2019-2020 snowplowing, with option to extend for subsequent year(s) with Schabel Enterprises of Central Minnesota, Inc. as of 10/29/2019. Final approval of the contract was done at a special meeting on 10-29-2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Lynden Town Hall.

Posted 10/26/2019

Snow Plowing Notice and Special Meeting Notice

Lynden Township has an agreement in principle for Winter 2019-2020 snowplowing with Schabel Enterprises of Central Minnesota, LLC as of 10/25/2019. Final approval of the contract will be done at a Special Meeting on October, 29th at 1:00 p.m at the Lynden Town Hall.

Posted 10/18/2019

A Special Meeting will be held at the Lynden Town Hall, 21367 Co Rd 44, on Tuesday, October 29th at 1:00 p.m. to review Requests for Proposal (RFP) for winter road maintenance for Lynden Township. Two or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 10/13/2019

A Special Meeting will be held at the Lynden Town Hall, 21367 Co Rd 44, on Thursday, October 17th at 7:00 p.m. to review a Request for Proposal (RFP) for winter road maintenance for Lynden Township. Two or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 10/1/2019

A Special Meeting will be held with Clearwater Township and Lynden Township at the Clearwater Township Hall, 15015 State Hwy 24, on Wednesday, October 9th at 1:00 p.m. to discuss fire contracts. Two or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 9/18/2019

Fire contract formulas will be discussed at a joint meeting with Clearwater Township and Lynden Township at the Clearwater Township Hall, 15015 State Hwy 24, on Monday, September 30th at 1:00 p.m. One or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 8/22/2019

The Township is soliciting requests for proposals for winter road maintenance. Proposals are due to the clerk by Friday, September 6, 2019. The full public notice is available by clicking on the link below.

2019 RFP Winter Road Maint

Any questions should be directed to Supervisor Dennis Niemi (Road Manager) 320-266-4867.

Posted 7/9/2019

The Planning Commission will meet Tuesday July 16 at the town hall at 6:00 pm to complete the Stearns County Comprehensive Plan updates.

Posted 6/4/19

Notice of Public Hearing

The Lynden Township Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on June 19, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the Lynden Town Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater MN 55320 to consider a variance application submitted by Carl Fagenbaum for a setback from Battle Road. Sixty-Three (63) feet is required from the centerline of the roadway, according to Stearns County Zoning Ordinance #439, Section 9.9.9 A (3), adopted by reference as Lynden Township Ordinance #7. The subject Property ID is #19.10663.0000, further described as Lot 001 Block 003 of Clearwater Harbor, Section 32, Township 122, Range 27, with a property address of 276 Battle Road, South Haven, MN 55382. If you are unable to attend, written comments can be sent to Jenny Schmidt, Lynden

Township Clerk, 20517 Woodbine Rd., Clearwater MN 55320 or emailed to clerk@lyndentownship.net

Posted 5/12/2019

Clearwater Triathlon – June 29 2019

Posted 5/12/19

Supervisors Johnson and Plaggerman will be attending the Township Legal Seminar that is presented by Couri and Ruppe on June 13, 2019, in Albertville MN

Posted 4/26/19

Reminder: CHANGE OF DATE! Township Clean Up will be held Saturday May 4th from 8-11AM at the Clearwater maintenance facility off County Road 75 south of Highway 24. One free load accepted per household. ID's required. Fees will be incurred for tires, e-waste, etc. Full details are available by clicking this Link

Posted 4/26/10

MNDNR ATV Agricultural Zone Restriction Information. Additional information can be found by clicking here.

Posted 4/10/19

The town board will conduct their semi-annual road tour April 25th. They will convene at 1PM at the town hall. If you are interested in attending the road tour or have any issues to share, please come to the town hall at 1 on April 25 or email Dennis Niemi (the supervisor in charge of the roads). dennis.niemi@lyndentownship.net

Posted 4/3/19

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Click the link below to see information regarding Emerald Ash Borer Emerald Ash Borer Discovered in Stearns County _ Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Posted 3/13/19

Congratulations to Tom Plaggerman who won the Township Supervisor seat by a card draw to decide the Tie.

Congratulations to Treasurer Daniel Torgersen who was re-elected to another two year term. More information can be found here

REMINDER: Annual Election and meeting March 12th at the Township Hall. Polls are open from 2:00-8:00 p.m. and meeting starts promptly at 8:00 p.m. The agenda is available by clicking this link: Annual Meeting Agenda

Posted 3/5/19

Important Information Regarding Assessment and Classification of Property This may affect your 2020 property taxes.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal and Equalization for Lynden will meet on April 4, 2019, 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 3/5/19

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Posted 3/2/19

Interested in learning how to cross country ski? The Stearns County Parks Department is sponsoring an event at Warner Lake County Park Saturday March 16th. All equipment is provided. Registration is required. Details are available in this flyer: Warner Cross Country Ski Lessons

Posted 2/28/19

Fire contract formulas will be discussed at a joint meeting at Clearwater City Hall Monday March 4th at 8:30 am.

Posted 2/27/19

The Town hall will be open for absentee voting on Saturday, March 9th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon and on Monday, March 11th from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

Posted 2/22/19

The fire contract formula will be discussed at a joint meeting at Clearwater City Hall Monday February 25th at 6PM.

Posted 2/13/19

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Lynden Township, County of Stearns, State of Minnesota, the annual election of town officers and the annual meeting will be held Tuesday, March 12, 2019, at the Lynden Township Town Hall, 21367 Co. Rd. 44, Clearwater, MN 55320. In the case of inclement weather, the meeting and election may be postponed until the third Tuesday, March 19, 2019.

The election poll hours will be from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (per Resolution 2014-02) at which time the voters will elect One (1) Supervisor for a three term; and One (1) 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 on March 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to certify the official election results.

Jenny Schmidt

Lynden Township Clerk

Posted 2/13/19

Notice of Public Accuracy Test of Voting Machines

To the qualified voters of Lynden Township, County of Stearns, an open meeting will be held on March 5, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. for an Accuracy Test of the AutoMARK Voting Machine at the Lynden Township Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater, MN 55320 Jenny Schmidt

Lynden Township Clerk

Posted 2/4/19

The Annandale Fire Commission will meet at the Annandale Fire Hall on February 21 at 7PM.

Posted 1/25/19

The Township Board will convene for the annual audit on Wednesday January 30th at 6:30PM. The budget meeting and annual meeting planning will occur after the audit.

Posted 1/25/19

Stearns County Parks is partnering with Hike Hoppers to provide a month-long scavenger hunt at Warner Park (and other county parks). Registration is \$10 and gives you the opportunity to find prize codes while enjoying the beautiful winter hiking trails at Warner.

Hike Hoppers Scavenger Hunt

Posted 1/24/19

Two candidates have filed for the Township Supervisor position that will be open as a result of the retirement of Anne Ackerman. Todd Voigt and Tom Plaggerman will be on the ballot for the annual election. Incumbent Treasurer Dan Torgersen is running unopposed. Mark your calendars to vote at the town hall Tuesday March 12th between 2 and 8PM.

Please attend the annual meeting that begins at 8PM that evening.

Posted 1/24/19

A community meeting will be held at the Clearwater Library Thursday January 31st from 3:30-5:00PM. Please attend to discuss the future of our local area. RSVP at 320-558-6001.

Posted 1/23/19

Fire contract formulas will be discussed at a joint meeting at Clearwater City Hall Monday January 28th at 7PM.

Posted 1/9/19

The City of Clearwater will be discussing fire contract formulas at their council meeting Monday January 14, 2019 at 7PM. One or more Supervisors will be in attendance at this meeting.

Posted 1/3/19

The candidate filing period is now open through January 15th for the position on the Township Board of Supervisors that will be open in March due to the retirement of Anne Ackerman. The election takes place Tuesday March 12th. For additional details, click the link in the notice dated 12/11/18 below.

Posted 1/3/19

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 12/11/18

Candidate Filing Notice

Posted 10/22/18

ELECTION REMINDER: The general election will take place Tuesday November 6th. Voting for township residents will occur at the township hall and the polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Additional election information and a link to register can be found here.

Posted 10/22/18 2018-10-Voting Machine Testing

Posted 10/1/18

The town board will conduct their semi-annual road tour October 9th. They will convene at 1PM at the town hall. If you are interested in attending the road tour or have any issues to share, please come to the town hall at 1 on October 9th or email Dennis Niemi (the supervisor in charge of the roads). dennis.niemi@lyndentownship.net

Posted 8/13/18

ELECTION REMINDER: The primary election will take place Tuesday August 14th.

Voting for township residents will occur at the township hall and the polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Posted 8/9/18

The township is soliciting requests for proposals for summer road maintenance. Proposals are due to the Clerk by Friday September 7, 2018. The full public notice is available by clicking on the link below:

Request for Proposals General Road Maintenance

The details of the requested information are available by clicking the link below: Exhibit A & B – Road Maintenance RFPs

Any questions should be directed to Supervisor Dennis Niemi (Road Manager) at 320-266-4867.

Posted 8/6/18

Pursuant to Ordinance #12, Lynden Township now requires a permit for any work proposed to be conducted in any township road right of way. The application can be found on this site under the "Applications" tab or by clicking this link: ROW Permit

Posted 8/3/18

The primary election will take place Tuesday August 14th. Voting for township residents will occur at the township hall and the polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Posted 7/18/18

Looking for a fun family-friendly activity this weekend? Prairie Woods is hosting a FREE outdoor event at nearby Warner Lake County Park this Saturday July 21st from 10AM-12:30PM. Kayaks will be available for no fee and their mobile climbing wall will be onsite. No pre-registration is necessary. Details are available by clicking here.

Posted 7/5/18

Dust control application for gravel roads, have been delayed due to product supply issues, but should commence soon.

Posted 7/5/18

Click the link below to view the Request for Quotes for Single Sort Recycling 2018 request for quotes recycling

Posted 7/5/18

Click the link below to see information on Adoption of Updates to Ordinance #7 Land Use & Zoning, Subdivision Ordinance #8, & Road Right of Way Specifications Ordinance #12.

2018-7-Ordinance Summary for Publication

Posted 7/2/18

At the July 2nd meeting, the Board approved changes to Lynden Township Land Use and Zoning Ordinance 7, Lynden Township Subdivision Ordinance #8, and the adoption of Lynden Township Ordinance #12 – Road and Right-of-Way Specifications. The Board will hold a final ordinance review meeting Tuesday July 10th at 5:00 p.m. at the Township Hall. At this meeting any remaining errors will be corrected before the documents are printed for recording.

Posted 6/18/18

Click the link below to see the information regarding new election equipment: Stearns County New Election Equipment Press Release

Posted 6/8/18

Notice of Public Hearing

The Lynden Township Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on June 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Lynden Township Hall, 21367 Co. Rd. 44, Clearwater MN 55320 to consider amending portions of Lynden Township Land Use and Zoning Ordinance 7, Lynden Township Subdivision Ordinance #8, and to consider adoption of Lynden Township Ordinance #12, Road and Right-of-Way Specifications. The intent of the amendments to Ordinance #7 is to correct typographical, grammatical and labeling errors in any Sections and to amend Section 6.7 Animal Feedlot Standards, Section 6.32 Commercial Kennels, and Sections 7.23 & 7.24 Sign Regulations.

The intent of the amendments to Ordinance #8 is to correct typographical, grammatical and labeling errors in any Sections and to simplify the Subdivision process in Lynden Township. Ordinance #8 defines Township Major & Minor Subdivisions and delineates the process to be followed for all subdivision of land within Lynden Township.

The intent of Ordinance #12 is to delineate road, right-of-way, and access standards and uses in a separate ordinance. Those standards were previously outlined in the

Appendix of Ordinance #8. Ordinance #12 also imposes less restrictive access standards in certain zoning districts.

The proposed ordinances are available for review on the Lynden Township web site www.lyndentownship.net, at the Clearwater Library and by appointment at the township hall by calling 320-774-8507. All interested persons are invited to attend said hearing or submit written testimony prior to the hearing date. Written testimony should be submitted to the Lynden Township Clerk, 20517 Woodbine Rd, Clearwater MN 55320 or via email to clerk@lyndentownship.net

Updated draft ordinances are available for review by clicking the title of the ordinance below:

Draft Zoning Ordinance #7

Draft Subdivision Ordinance #8

Draft Road and ROW Specifications Ordinance #12

Posted 5/30/18

A final ordinance review meeting will take place Thursday June 7th at 6PM at the town hall to finalize road and access standards. A public hearing has tentatively been scheduled for Monday June 18th at 7PM. Watch this site for the official notice. The draft zoning ordinance is available for review by click this link: Draft Zoning Ordinance

The draft subdivision ordinance is available for review by click this link: Draft Subdivision Ordinance

The draft road and access ordinance will be posted on this page after the June 7th meeting.

Posted 5/4/18

The Board of Supervisors is in the final stages of reviewing the township's zoning and subdivision ordinances. A meeting will take place at the town hall Monday May 21st at 6PM to discuss zoning, subdivision, road and access standards. All are invited to attend. A public hearing will be scheduled before final changes are adopted. Watch the Citizen-Tribune and this site for information.

Posted 4/2/18

View the interior of the Warner Park Nature Center on Thursday April 26th from 3:30 to 7:30. Stearns County Parks Department is holding this free event. Details are available here: Nature Center Open House

Posted 3/30/16

Township Clean Up will be held Saturday April 28th from 8-11AM at the Clearwater maintenance facility off County Road 75 south of Highway 24. One free load accepted

per household. ID's required. Fees will be incurred for tires, e-waste, etc. Full details are available by clicking this link: Spring Clean Up

Posted 3/16/18

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Posted 3/15/18

Congratulations to Dennis Niemi who defeated incumbent Jerry Finch to win the three year Township Supervisor term. Thank you to Jerry for 18 years of dedicated service. Congratulations to Clerk Jenny Schmidt who was re-elected to another two year term.

Posted 3/11/18

Please attend the Annual Meeting and Election Tuesday March 13th. Vote any time between 2-8PM. The Annual Meeting begins at 8PM. Both events occur at the Township Hall. The agenda is available by clicking here.

Posted 3/7/18

Plan to vote in the annual township election Tuesday March 13th. Polls are open from 2-8PM. The annual meeting begins after the polls close promptly at 8PM. Please vote in the annual election and attend the meeting to hear about what's happening in your township and take advantage of the opportunity to vote on the township operating levy that directly effects the township portion of your property tax payments.

Posted 3/5/18

TONIGHT'S MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED DUE TO WEATHER

Tonight's regularly scheduled monthly meeting has been postponed to next Monday March 12th at 7PM at the Lynden Township Hall.

Posted 2/9/18

HikeHoppers Park Blast Free Scavenger Hunt

The HikeHoppers organization is encouraging Stearns County residents to get out and hike during the month of February in our County Parks. They have organized a free scavenger hunt where you can find cards containing prize codes redeemable for free gift cards and services from local businesses. Codes can be found along the *winter* hiking trail at our very own Warner Park and other parks throughout Stearns County. It is free to register and play. Full details are available at the following website: https://www.hikehoppers.org/park-blast.html

Posted 2/9/18

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Jenny Schmidt

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Posted 2/9/18

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Lynden Township Clerk

Posted 1/18/18 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The Lynden Township Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on Tuesday January 30, 2018 at 6:00PM at the Lynden Town Hall, 21367 County Road 44, Clearwater MN 55320 to consider a variance application submitted by John & Sarah Hoppe for a home and garage to be constructed approximately fifty-two (52) feet and a shed to be constructed approximately sixty (60) feet from the centerline of a private road. Sixty-three (63) 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 # 19.10441.0000 and described as Part of Government Lot 1, (.69 Acres W150' of S200' of E 475' of Lot 1 Lying N of Shore Line), Section 31, Township 122, Range 27, with a property address of 379 Beachwood Road, South Haven, MN 55382.

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

Posted 1/4/18

<u>COUNTY DITCH 39 DRAINAGE SYSTEM LOCAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS</u>

Affected property owners recently received a letter from Chad Martini, Director of Stearns County Land Management, that notified them of a public hearing scheduled for January 23, 2018 at 10:05am as part of the Stearns County Board of Commissioners Meeting. The public hearing will be in regards to a potential repair of County Ditch 39. The public hearing will take place in the County Board Room located on the first floor of the Stearns County Administration Building 705 Courthouse Sq. Saint Cloud MN 56303. Stearns County staff will also be available for a County Ditch 39 Informational Meeting to discuss the potential repair project on **January 17, 2018 from 5:30 to 6:30 pm at the Lynden Township Hall** 21367 Co Rd 44 Clearwater, MN 55320. This will be an opportunity to hear about the ditch repair project and ask questions that you may have prior to the Stearns County Board of Commissioners Meeting.

The following web link contains information from the County Ditch 39 file including:

- Ditch Inspection Document
- Ditch Repair Plan
- Draft costs for potentially approved projects for individual properties https://gis.co.stearns.mn.us/Ditches/Ditches.html

Please note that the cost of any County Ditch 39 System Repair will be charged back to property owners who are part of the ditch system.

Ditch Contact Information Jason Blommel Jason.Blommel@co.stearns.mn.us 320-656-3694