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SUMMER FEATURES INSIDE

WATERING YOUR LAWN

THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE

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Zimmerman breaks ground on new Fire Station



From Where I Sit « by Mayor Nick Stay

2020 has been the strangest year! Crazy to think that it's half over and I wonder what the rest of the year will bring! City staff is back to working "normal" hours, although we are nowhere near "business as usual". Because of COVID, we are conducting more transactions online and less in person, practicing social distancing by only allowing one person in City Hall at a time when possible, and cancelling our Night to Unite event for 2020.

And while cancelling that annual community event seems like a setback, some things continue to move forward. On June 25th, the Zimmerman/Livonia Fire District broke ground for the new Fire Hall and Event Center. As you drive by the site on County Road 4, you will see

excavation work has already begun and will continue throughout the year. This is a project that the City, Livonia Township and the Fire Department have been planning for many years and it's great to see all that hard work coming to fruition.

There is no shortage of projects around town! Reconstruction of the Morrison Addition (south of County Road 4 and east of County Road 45) is nearing completion and staff continues to work with the City Engineer and County and State Officials as we plan for improvements to TH 169 and around Lake Fremont. Recently, a local Eagle Scout completed a total renovation of the Volleyball courts at Lions Park and the Public Works Department remains busy

throughout the City parks and helping with improvements to our water and sewer system. Within the next month, we'll begin working on our 2021 budget all while staff is prepping for the Primary Election on August 11 and the General Election in November. Tired yet? Cuz I sure am! Whatever you're up to this summer, I hope you're enjoying yourself in spite of the global circumstances.

Stay cool and be kind! •



Nick Stay

- Mayor

Property Maintenance and Lawn Watering Restrictions

Hot and dry weather has caused the City's wells to work overtime – so the Public Works Department is asking for your help conserving water – especially when watering your lawn.

If your house number ends in an ODD number, please only water on ODD numbered days. If your house number ends in an EVEN number, you may water on EVEN numbered days. This restriction does not apply to properties with new sod or grass seed. Watering is allowed between 8:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. because there is less evaporation if you water in early morning or late evening. Please avoid watering your



lawn in the heat of the day. Residents are reminded that the City of Zimmerman has an ordinance pertaining to the maintenance and care of grass and lawns throughout the City. Ordinance 5.392 indicates that grass should be mowed to a height of 6 inches or less throughout the Spring, Summer and Fall months. Failure to maintain grass or lawns at a reasonable

height can result in the issuance of a misdemeanor citation by the Sheriff's Department.

In addition, any vehicles that are not licensed for the current year and does not display current license tabs or is in an inoperable condition can not be stored outside on your property. Take pride in our community and let's keep Zimmerman looking good!

Morrison Addition Construction

Road Construction in the Morrison Addition is close to wrapping up. The contractor has poured concrete curbs and sidewalks and is currently waiting for the sidewalk to cure before completing backfilling between curb and sidewalk. This restoration work will continue into early July. Paving of alleys is tentatively scheduled for mid-July with the paving of the bituminous wear course occurring later in July after boulevards are restored and seeded. All timelines are subject to change due to weather.

Construction can be an attractive nuisance. Please see to the safety of children and vulnerable individuals during construction. Weekly updates on the project are posted to the Bolton & Menk website at: www.clients.bolton-menk.com/zimmerman2020/ and on the City of Zimmerman website at: www.zimmerman.govoffice.com/. Any persons wishing to receive a direct email with the newsletter or have additional questions answered, should contact City Engineer Kevin Bittner or City Administrator Randy Piasecki at 763-856-4666, x. 24.



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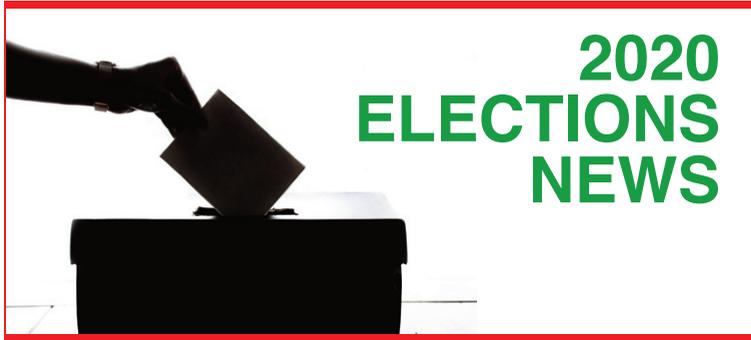
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Notice of Filing and Municipal Election

The State Primary Election will be held on August 11, 2020, with the General Election scheduled for November 3, 2020. In addition to Federal and State offices on the General ballot, the City will hold a municipal election in 2020. Notice is hereby given that the Municipal General Election in the City of Zimmerman on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, will be conducted for the purpose of electing candidates for the following Municipal offices:

- Mayor (one 2-year term)**
- City Council (two 4-year terms)**

The filing of Affidavits of Candidacy for all city offices shall be made at the Office of the City Clerk located at Zimmerman City Hall, 12980 Fremont Avenue, Zimmerman, MN 55398. The filing period will begin on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. and close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2020. A \$2.00 filing fee is due and payable at the time of filing for office.

The City of Zimmerman is divided into two election precincts. Residents living north of County Road 4 (Fremont Avenue) are designated as Precinct 1 and vote at the Sheriff's Department Public Safety Building located at 26750 – 5th Street West. Residents living south of County Road 4 (Fremont Avenue) are assigned to Precinct 2. Precinct 2 voters vote at Refuge Evangelical Free Church located at 25620 – 4th Street West. Voting hours at both precincts in the City of Zimmerman will be from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Minnesota law allows you to take time off from work to vote without loss of salary or wages during the morning of state elections.

ABSENTEE VOTING

Residents who are unable to vote in person on Election Day for any of the following reasons are encouraged to vote by absentee ballot:

- Away from the precinct
- Ill or disabled
- An election judge serving in a different precinct
- Unable to go to the polling place on Election Day due to a religious holiday or religious beliefs

Absentee Voting can be done by mail or in person through the Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer's Office. For more information, call the Sherburne County Election Manager at 763-765-4351.

ELECTION JUDGES

Election judges play a vital role in conducting voting activities for local, state and federal elections. The City is looking for 20 persons, including 2 Head Election judges, that can help with voting in the fall Primary and General Elections. In addition to assisting at the polls on Election Day, judges are also required to attend a 2-hour election judge training through the Sherburne County Auditor/Treasurer's Office. All time served is paid by the City. Election Judges are appointed by the City Council.

To be an election judge, you must be:

- Eligible to vote in the state of Minnesota
- Affiliated with a major political party
- Able to speak, read and write English
- Appointed by the City Council



Election judges cannot be the spouse, parent, child or sibling of any election judge serving in the precinct, nor can a judge be a candidate, or the spouse, parent, child, or sibling of any candidate on the ballot in the precinct in which they serve.

If you are interested in filing for office, serving as an election judge, or have general election questions, contact City Clerk/Treasurer Kary Tillmann at 763.856.4666, x. 22, or at ktillmann@cityofzimmerman.com. Election information is also posted on the City's website, the cable access channel, and advertised in the Elk River Star News, the City's Official Newspaper. •

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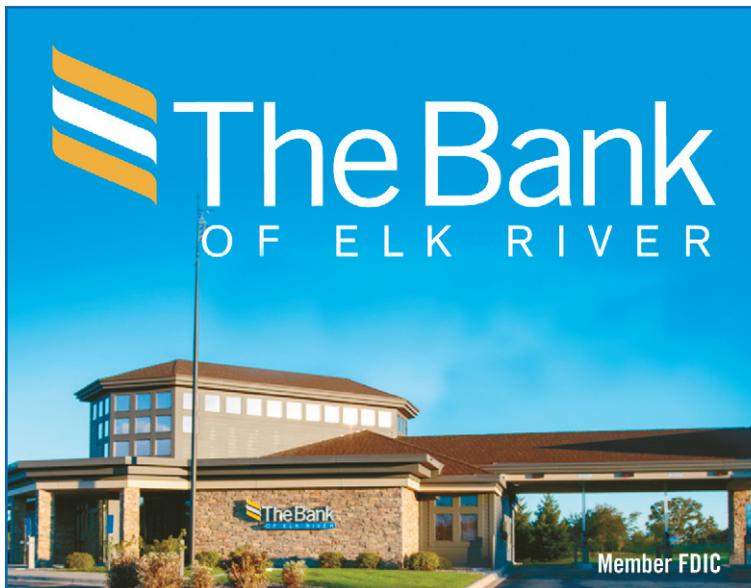


For more information on how you can get your sign installed before the scheduled baseball season begins, contact Sara at 763-856-4666 ext. 21 or email: zimmermancityhall@cityofzimmerman.com. There are still a few prime spots available on our main field, don't delay—call NOW! •

2019 Water Quality Report

The Public Works Department is pleased to present this year's annual Water Quality Report, a summary of the testing and analysis required by the federal government along with additional data of interest about our water system. This report details the results of monitoring done on our drinking water for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2019. It also contains information regarding where the City's water comes from, what it contains, and the treatment methods used to provide our consumers with the safest, most reliable water supply.

The City of Zimmerman is committed to ensuring the quality of our drinking water and its compliance with government standards. We are proud to provide safe, dependable water to our customers 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. The Water Quality Report can be found in its entirety on the City website at www.zimmerman.govoffice.com. Paper copies of the report are also available and can be obtained by contacting Teri Grote, Finance Technician/Utility Billing at 763-856-4666, x 23 or tgrote@cityofzimmerman.com •



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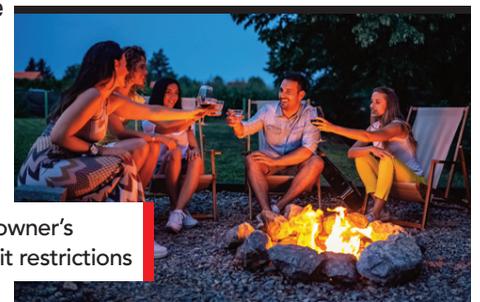
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Can I have a Recreational Fire?

Recreational fires are allowed in the City of Zimmerman, when the following provisions are followed:

1. The fire is contained to a 3x3 foot area; this can be in-ground, on-ground, or in a free standing , pre-manufactured fireplace.
2. Only clean burning wood can be used, no burning of trash, leaves or brush is allowed.
3. The fire is at least 25 feet from any structure or combustible material.
4. Fire extinguishing equipment (extinguisher, garden hose, sand) is readily available.
5. The fire should be constantly attended by an adult and shall be completely extinguished before leaving the scene.

Residents are encouraged to review their homeowner's insurance policy, as many restrict the location and use of fire pits. Burning permits are not required for small recreational fires. For much larger burns, a permit can be obtained from Ryan Maloney, Zimmerman Livonia Fire Chief - 763-856-2280 •



Review your homeowner's insurance policy on fire pit restrictions



Let's Kick-Off Fire Prevention Week!

To kickoff this year's Fire Prevention theme, the Zimmerman Livonia Fire Department will be hosting their annual open house on Saturday, September 12th, from 11am to 3pm. This free event will feature station tours, displays from community organizations, and demonstrations, including a kitchen fire and vehicle extrication. Firefighters will show off the fire trucks, fire fighting equipment, an ambulance, and air care helicopter. Kids will have the opportunity to experience a Safe Escape House, Safety Hopper Bounce House and other games & activities. Refreshments will also be available for purchase.

Later that evening, the Fire Department will be having a dance featuring live music and raffle, for ages 21+, from 8:00 p.m. to midnight at the fire station located at 13028 Fremont Avenue. It wouldn't be a party without a fully stocked bar, beer garden and a smoking hot grill; so Firefighters will be serving up plenty of burgers, brats, and dogs, and pouring ice cold beer all night long. Tickets for the dance can be purchased in advance from local area businesses, or at the door. All proceeds go directly to the Fire Department to purchase non-budgeted firefighting equipment, and to maintain their fire prevention programs.

Questions about the open house or dance can be directed to Fire Chief Ryan Maloney at 763-856-2280.

Compost Site Temporarily Closed

Construction on the Great Northern Trail is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, July 15th between the northern Elk River City limits and Lion's Park in Zimmerman. The trail will be closed from July 15th until sometime in November while construction is happening. Watch for updates on facebook @SherCoParks and at <https://www.co.sherburne.mn.us/610/County-Parks>.



The trail will be paved and is expected to open before the end of 2020. Users will be able to enjoy the new 10' wide bituminous trail for walking, running, bicycling and inline skating.

Unfortunately, this means that there is no access to the City's compost site until at least September 15th. There are three other compost areas in Sherburne County that residents can use to deposit compost -- Elk River, Big

Lake and Becker. Information on the three other Sherburne County compost sites can be found here:

<https://www.co.sherburne.mn.us/BusinessDirectoryII.aspx>

Connect With Your Council

Mayor Nick Stay -- 2020

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Councilmember Josh Bondhus -- 2022

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Councilmember Linda Frederick -- 2022

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Councilmember Sheldon Shepard -- 2020

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Councilmember Jay Whiting -- 2020

612-940-4105 – Jaw0622@hotmail.com

Passing The Bread Continues Serving Area Residents

Greetings Everyone from Passing The Bread.

We are happy to announce we will be able to continue to serve the Zimmerman and Princeton communities with food distributions. Passing The Bread is going to make these changes to future distributions.



Please note, only authorized personnel will be allowed in the distribution center, our doors will be locked, and no clients will be allowed inside. Food will be prepackaged and clients arriving Saturday mornings will be instructed to line up on 5th Street West, not enter the parking lot, and not get out of their cars. A volunteer will meet clients at their vehicles and will fill out the application for them. Clients don't need to touch the applications and will not be asked to sign them. When the clients' number comes up, they will be instructed to drive up to the big door and a volunteer will load their food.

To make a monetary donation or to view the needs list go to www.passingthebread.com/donate

Faith Pantry Continues Serving Area Residents



Faith Pantry serves area residents every Thursday at 9am at Faith Community Lutheran Church at 12266 255th Avenue. No income or residency requirements. When you come, stay in your car. Pull up to entrance and volunteer will place box of pre-selected food in your back seat or trunk. See www.faithclc.com for specific details.

Need to apply for Financial or Health Care Assistance?

For fastest service, apply online.

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Apply at mn.dhs.mn.gov

For health care, insurance assistance goto www.mnsure.org

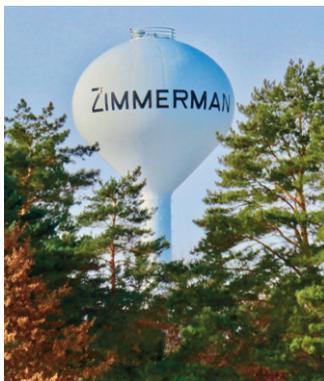
Eagle Scout completes project at Lions Park for residents

Will Johnson recently completed his Eagle Scout project at Lions Park in Zimmerman. Johnson met with the City Council in early June to explain his project, which was restoration of the sand volleyball courts at the park, with new poles, nets, sand and referee box. The project cost approximately \$2,300 and was funded through donations from local organizations and financial support by the City Park Board. Johnson's project is complete and ready for you to enjoy! *Picture by Keith Koehler, Public Works Director*



Will Johnson at the New Volleyball Court

Upcoming Events in the Area « Most Current Calendar Dates Available Online



CITY HALL HOURS

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TUESDAY - THURSDAY
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AUGUST

City Council Meeting	August 3	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
Park Board Meeting	August 4	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
COW Meeting	August 10	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
State Primary Election	August 11	7 a.m. – 8 p.m.	
City Council Meeting	August 17	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
Passing the Bread Food Distribution	August 29	9 - 11 a.m.	UMA Precision Bldg

SEPTEMBER

Park Board Meeting	September 1	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
Labor Day	September 7		City Offices Closed
FREE Shred It Event	September 12	10 a.m. – 12 p.m.	City Hall
Ladies on the Loose/Flea Market	September 12	10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	City Wide
Fire Department Open House	September 12	11 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Fire Station
Fireman's Dance	September 12	8 p.m. – 12 p.m.	Fire Station
City Council Meeting	September 14	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
City Council Meeting	September 21	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
Passing the Bread Food Distribution	September 26	9-11 a.m.	UMA Precision Bldg

OCTOBER

City Council Meeting	October 5	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
Park Board Meeting	October 6	6:30 p.m.	City Hall
COW Meeting	October 12	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
City Council Meeting	October 19	7:00 p.m.	City Hall
Passing the Bread Food Distribution	October 31	9 – 11 a.m.	UMA Precision Bldg