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Carver Black Sox

Looks like from their website that the Carver Black Sox started their 2021 season! Great way to see people again huh? Heard that if you vaccinated, you can be around people outdoors. Go get to see who your local team is and enjoy the outdoors while you are entertained by the guys playing ball? Sounds like a good plan huh?

[www.carverblacksox.com]

Check their website for game times and locations.

Strategic Plan

The city manager discussed the draft action plan of the 2021 - 2022 Strategic Plan. Appropriated personnel in a planning exercise which a summary was presented for council review. The council concurred with the presented summary instructing draft preparations for the Strategic Plan. The strategic initiatives chosen included Communications and Engagement, Community Development, Downtown Development, Infrastructure Management, and Organizational Development. More action steps can be anticipated to be accomplished. The council is requested to discuss, amend, delete, add and prioritize the action steps. The final plan will be prepared and drafted for final consideration at a future meeting.

Hammers Property

The city engineer discussed with the council a water system oversizing as part of the proposed Hammers Development project, west of Meridian Fields where an oversizing and system reliability opportunity has presented itself. The city has an opportunity to construct a second water main crossing beneath the highway. Approval will be discussed at a future meeting.

The assistant city engineer addressed the council regarding the water system expansion utility improvements. A second watermain crossing below Highway #212 change order was reviewed. The additional crossing would improve system reliability and reduce the risk of a large area without water due to an infrastructure failure. A change order was necessary to complete the additional work. The costs associated in the change order would be paid with the project budget funded by the water fund.

The Hammers Property Concept was presented to the Planning Commission members for discussion. Property located west of Meridian Fields and would be annexed if the applicant moves forward with the project. The proposal involves sixty-eight single family homes. The homes would be accessed through Fields Drive and Monroe Drive.

Question was asked about road access on the northern end of the development. Would access be via the frontage road or within the development. The community development director anticipated that the frontage road to Highway # 212 would be eliminated and the new streets within the development would be utilized. Increased noise level affects were inquired about. Trail access creations were inquired about. Question was asked regarding traffic study regarding connectivity of traffic given that the concept plans for north and south of Monroe Drive were being reviewed. Monroe Drive is serving both residential and commercial traffic. At this point a traffic study would not be needed. The possible proposed timeline was mid to late summer.

"Every man has his secret sorrows which the world knows not; and often times we call a man cold when he is only sad."

— Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Bond Sale

The council discussed the authorization of the Bond Sale. The sale of bonds and terms were to be determined. Also, there was the issue of the applications related to the State Credit Enhancement Program for the Series 2021 B Bonds. Questions were fielded. An explanation for the State Credit Enhancement Program and why the 2021A Bonds which did not qualify as specific water related items only could be used in said program. Clarification that the Water Treatment Facility was included in the 2021B bonds was confirmed. More information was requested. Bond premium explanation was requested. The premium bids come with premium dollars whereupon the city could get additional funds, but it is money with a higher interest rate. The most efficient procedure going forward would be to reduce the amount borrowed. However, the use of these funds could be utilized towards the street project. Historically, the council has supported taking additional funds. Results for the grant application would not coincide with the date. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution providing for the competitive negotiated sale of monies for the General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds, Series 2021A. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution providing for the competitive negotiated sale of monies for the General Obligation Utility Revenue Bonds, Series 2021B. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution authorizing the city to enter into a Credit Enhancement Program agreement with the Minnesota Public Facilities authority.

Field Rentals

The council reviewed the Field Rental and Use Scheduling Policy. Presently outside individuals of District # 112 cannot reserve fields. Question was posed whether or not a change to this policy was desired. There was an interest in change.

The council reviewed the amendment to the Field Scheduling and Use Policy. The city has been practicing reserving, maintaining and facilitating the use of the athletic fields within the park system. Reservations, priorities and clarifying expectations has all been implemented with the policy. Recent discussions occurred regarding the types of acceptance of reservations from identified individuals other than District # 112 residents. The changes were drafted.

Acceptance of the changes would allow outside reservations, however 'field priority' structure would remain the same. The cost were also determined.

Internet

The planning commission members inquired about the possibility of increased internet and/or fiber options into the city. The community development director indicated that the city is in position to new technology. There are presently three options available to the city which include Jaquar/Metronet, Century Link and Comcast.

Carver Business Alliance

Carver Business Alliance "The Carver Business Alliance is a collaboration of business owners, community leaders, and local officials working together to promote, enhance, and create opportunities for commerce in the City of Carver. Business roundtable discussions are held and City of Carver updates are provided at each meeting." They meet every third Friday of the month at 8 AM at the Carver Village Hall. Anyone owning a business in Carver is welcome. The next scheduled meeting is May 21st.

Levee Information

The Fox 9 anchors were in town to cover a news story regarding the flood outlook. The good news was that flooding this year was not predicted to occur. Representative Nash was expected at a hearing for bonding in front of the House Capital Investment Committee. She would be testifying on the Carver levee improvement project. The request was not making much progress. Senator Coleman was working on connections with individuals within the Senate to get the request on the Senate Bonding Tour for the summer of 2021. This committee also visited the site approximately two years ago.

The city manager discussed with the council the agreements – Certified Levee Project. Council action was required pertaining to approval of the grant agreement with the MN Department of Natural Resources for the Certified Levee Project. Approval of a cooperative agreement with the Lower MN River Watershed District was also needed for the levee project. Action was required to enter into a grant agreement with the DNR for their Flood Hazard Mitigation Program. A cooperative agreement with the watershed district was also necessary for the program. Monies were discussed.

Timber Creek Development

The community development director gave an overview to the council pertaining to the developer identified as Summergate consisting of three hundred and forty-nine lots. Annexation was already completed. The Planning Commission expects to be reviewing a preliminary plat in the future.

The community development director provided the Planning Commission with an update concerning Timber Creek Development. Presently, annexation has been approved. An extensive trail system was being worked on throughout the project. There are three hundred and forty-nine units proposed. Question was asked about wildlife. The Environmental Assessment Worksheet had been completed with no mention or concern of habitat removal. A large part of the property is a raving considered to provide safe area for animals.

Jonathan Carver Parkway Improvement Updates

For everyone interested, weekly updates are posted on line at www.co.carver.mn.us/jcimprovements.



Carver Community Youth Baseball/Softball Association

The Carver Community Youth Baseball/Softball Association (CCYBSA) serves the Carver, Minnesota and other surrounding communities enriching the lives of every child with the desire to play baseball, softball, and t-ball while providing a fun, safe, and enjoyable youth sport experience. Contact Gregg Riggs for more information, or check their website.

Carver Current

Know about the Carver Current website? Good source for finding and posting local information for the area. Check out www.carvercurrent Well worth checking out. An excellent source of information of city updates, local organization events, local news, school activities, sports results etc. Also, a great site for sharing important information and events affecting local residents. The newsletter, the "Villager Tower" can also be found on this website, among other valuable information.

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Carver Creamery

I'm almost absolutely positive that this writer is the last to know that the Carver Creamery on Broadway in downtown Carver is now open for the 2021 season. That's right, you can come on by and taste their newest flavor called BasicBean which is caramel ice cream drizzled with expression-spiked chocolate ribbons and chocolate-covers espresso bean flakes. Bet you can't wait to run on down and get that can you? If they are out of that new flavor, you can always stick with the old stand-bys like vanilla, chocolate, Just Got Serious (?), Heaps of Love (? now that one I could use). How about Exhausted parent or Yippee Skippee, Fat Elvis, or Zanzibar. Sounds to this writer that I need to just go find out what exactly Chris and Kailan are creating here. Sure, sounds interesting. Oh yea, their hours for May 1st through the 16th will be Thursday 4 to 8 PM, Friday through Sunday noon to 8 PM. Starting May 17th the hours will be Monday through Thursday 4 PM to 8 PM, Friday to Sunday noon to 8 PM. Memorial Weekend hours will be Friday through Sunday noon until 9 PM and on Memorial Day Noon to 8 PM. Need to know daily updates? Visit their Facebook page.



East Union Lutheran Church

You have heard, haven't you? Saturday, May 8th at the East Union Church there is going to be a plant sale. I heard that they are all Minnesota grown. You can start browsing at 9 AM and walk out by noon with a whole trunk of beautiful plants. Know where to go don't you? Sure, you do. See ya' there! [Flyer inserted]



Trinity Lutheran Church

Join us for worship on Mother's Day, May 9, at 10 am. On May 23 some of our teens are renewing their baptism vows and confirming their faith in Jesus. Please join us at 10 am as we encourage them in their continued faith journey. During the school year we meet for worship services at 10 am, but on May 30 we begin worshipping at 9 am. This time for worship continues through the summer months.

Audio recordings of our sermons are posted online at trinitycarver.com. We would love to meet you; you are always welcome in this place. Office: 952-448-3628; Email: triluthsecretary@gmail.com; Website: trinitycarver.com; or Facebook: www.facebook.com/TrinityLutheranChurchCarver

Carver Lions

The Carver Lions Annual Pork Chop dinner already occurred by the publication time and this writer just knows in advance that it was a huge success. Been seeing all the chatter about it. So, congrats and thanks for all the hard work and community love that goes into these types of ventures. Good job everyone.



Not quite sure if the organization as gone back to two monthly meeting schedule when writing this. If so, they meet the first and third Wednesday of each month, oh yea but wait, it' summer, they only have one meeting per month during the summer. Confirmation received....first monthly May meeting is on the 5th at the Village Hall, their second meeting is on May 19th and is slated to be held at the Lions Park, weather permitting. Otherwise, they will convene at the Village Hall. The District Governor, Ann Wickenhauser will be visiting at the meeting on the nineteenth and inducting several new members. Also, Ms Elke will be presented with a plaque for being selected Lion of the Year for the Carver Zone!!!! Way to go Cathy! Congratulations!!!!

Also, the Lions are preparing gift bags for Mom's at the Southern Valley Alliance where victims of domestic violence are sheltered. Happy Mother's Day to all the moms out there.

The Lions would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that the Lions are still collecting used glasses, old hearing aids, used ink jets and cell phones. These items can be placed in the plastic bucket at the Post Office in Carver or check at the local bars for collection box. The items will be collected and distributed to the proper places for use. Thanks.

Don't forget about the Shredding event in May sponsored by the Lions. (flyer inserted)

Carver Shops

Occasional Shop dates are normally held the third week of the month. Check websites and Facebook pages for updates on each shop's availability. Support our local shops too. Occasional Shop dates for May 20th through May 23rd.

The Shops of Carver:

Carver Creamery – NOW OPEN - The Carver Creamery FB
Carver General – Facebook - Occasional Shop Dates
Old Carver Fishing Bait and Tackle - Facebook
Ripple Art Studio & Gallery – www.rippleartstudio.com
Ripple Art Studio & Gallery - FB
Strange Birds - facebook.com/strangebirdsmn/Website
The Good Junk Garage – Facebook
SomeWhat Crafty - Facebook
Temperance Arts & Gifts – Facebook
The Funky Dove – Facebook



City Wide Clean Up Day – Saturday, May 15, 7:00 a.m.

Curbside collection for City of Carver residents will be provided for items placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m. in an area no more than **6 feet wide by 6 feet long by 4 feet high**.

Materials accepted: kids toys, household items, disassembled furniture, carpet/carpet pads (rolled securely), mattresses and box springs, miscellaneous construction materials, and so on.



Materials NOT accepted: General recyclables (cans, plastic, glass, paper, cardboard), appliances (washers, dryers, water heaters, a/c, ranges, refrigerators, and so on), electronics (phones, computers, televisions, and so on), hazardous materials (paint, batteries, oil, tires, bulbs, and so on), concrete, bricks, shingles, brush, leaves, grass, any other organic materials, and items outside the **6 feet wide by 6 feet long by 4 feet high maximum collection area**.

Visit www.cityofcarver.com for more information.

Carver Lions Shredding Event – Saturday, May 15 9:00–11:00 a.m. at Community Park (800 6th Street West)

The Carver Lions will be sponsoring a shredding event in coordination with the City Wide Clean Up Day. Drop off your shredding items (paper only) at Community Park. There is a two box limit per vehicle. This is a free event, but donations will be accepted.



Collect your paper waste for shredding!

Prom Nights

NEWSFLASH! Eastern Carver County has plans to hold proms in 2021! Wow! The world really is being revived. Don't know the requirements for masks and best to keep the trap shut eh mate? Those participating will know the requirements. Just sharing dates and locations with everyone. Afterall, it is an important stepping stone in the adolescent's lives right? Chaska High School will be later than Chanhassen's students. Chanhassen Prom this writer was told will be holding their prom on the football field at the Chanhassen High School. Now there's a novel idea huh? It will be May 15th. Chaska High School is going with their old standby the Hazeltine National Club on May 22nd. Oh what memories huh mom and dad, grandpa and grandma? To be young again and dance away the night with those first loves. Anyway.....



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Community Calendar

May 2021

May 1 st	May Day
	Happy Birthday Barb!
May 3 rd	Council Meeting
	Happy Birthday Carolanne!
May 4 th	Happy Birthday Anistasia!
May 5 th	Lions Meeting
	Cinco de Mayo
	Happy Anniversary Kris and Lee!
	Happy Birthday Jim!
May 7 th	Happy Birthday Cassie!
May 8 th	East Union Church Plant Sale
	Happy Birthday Madison!
May 9 th	Mother's Day
	Happy Birthday Chris!
May 10 th	Parks Commission Meeting
	Dahlgren Township Board Meeting
	School Board WorkShop Meeting
	Happy Birthday Traci!
May 11 th	Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting
May 12 th	Late Start
May 13 th	Happy Birthday Breana!
	Happy Birthday John!
May 15 th	Chanhassen High School Prom
	Armed Forces Day
	Opening Fishing
	Happy Birthday Tim!
May 17 th	Council Meeting
	Happy Birthday Matthew!
May 18 th	Happy Anniversary Erin and Luke!
May 19 th	Happy Birthday Scheryl!
May 20 th	Planning Commission Meeting
	Happy Birthday Tiffany!
May 21 st	Happy Anniversary Leon and Scheryl!
	Happy Birthday Julie!
May 19 th	Lions Meeting
May 21 st	Carver Business Alliance Meeting
May 22 nd	Chaska High School Prom
May 23 rd	Happy Birthday Jackman!
May 24 th	School Board Meeting
May 28 th	Happy Birthday Keith!
May 30 th	Happy Birthday Craig!
May 31 st	Memorial Day
	No School
	Happy Birthday Karalyn!
	Happy Anniversary Bruce and Bonnie!

June 2021

Just in case the newsletter is not quite on time. Important June dates upcoming, June 8th is the last day of school for Kindergarten through the Fifth Grade. Grades 6 through 12 last day is June 9th. Graduation will be held on June 11th. And don't forget Father's Day on the 20th of June.

Chaska Valley Family Theatre

Another revived spring, summer tradition locally is the Chaska Valley Family Theatre. They just held auditions for the Les Misérables upcoming performance scheduled for opening in June. Check on Facebook for more information or their website: www.cvft.org. They will also be resuming their Dragonfly Camp which registration was open at the time of writing for eight to thirteen year interested individuals. Their first camp is scheduled for July 12th through July 17th. Second camp dates are July 19th through July 24th. Their performance this year will be Frozen Jr.

"The worst kind of sad is not being able to explain why. Please just hold my hand while I work through things."

~ Ravenwolf



Farmer's Markets

The Downtown Chaska Farmer's Market is scheduled to open on Wednesday, June 16th at City Square park in downtown Chaska opening at 3 PM and closing up at 6 PM. This market will run every Wednesday through September 8th. There will not be any markets on August 18th or 25th. Everyone is invited to come join the vendors. Farmer's Markets are hosted by SW Metro Chamber of Commerce.



Newsflash! In case you hadn't heard, Carver will also be participating in the Farmer's Market circuit. The Carver event will begin on July 13th through September 28th on Tuesdays, also from 3 PM to 6 PM. Where you ask? At the Carver Community Park.

Much Anticipated Summer 2021

You heard, didn't you? You have heard the news, right? We are alive. Things are reawakening. Cautiously, the skittish, the lonely, the bodies are gradually beginning to venture back outdoors to the outside world.

Chaska has scheduled 'Chaska Summer Concert Series'. Tuesday, June 15th for an hour beginning at 6 PM at the Fireman's Park, you can enjoy the Bazillions Kids Band. The Castaways are prepared to entertain at City Square Park for an hour and half beginning at 7 PM, Friday June 25th. Closing out June on the 26th over at Fireman's Park at 6 PM for two hours you will be entertained by Sayer's Dream and Bark in the Park Event. What's Bark in the Park?

All four-legged furry friends are invited to join in on the fun. Pet vendors will be featured, pet organizations, doggie giveaways, obstacle course, phot booth, games and more! More information at the Chaska Parks and Recreation Department.

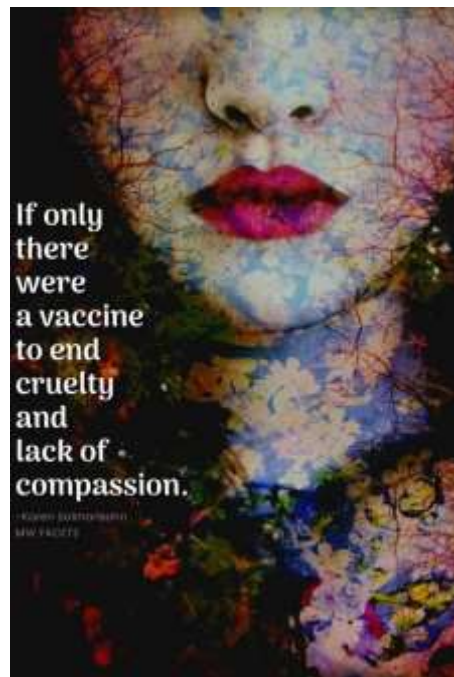


The Arts Consortium now located at the Chaska Community Center has scheduled an exhibit of Creations from Preschool beginning May 12th through May 29th. The Arts Consortium is also requesting artist to 'Express Yourself in Purple'. Exhibit planned for June 2nd through July 3rd in conjunction with the exhibit, a county wide event entitled 'Purple Reigns' honoring Prince posthumously as their 2021 Honorary Member. July Exhibit, Micro Mystery Tour and September Honor Cultures Exhibit. There's more. For more information, go to www.artsofcarvercounty.org.

Recreation on Wheels is scheduled to begin their fun. This is a mobile recreation program at the Chaska Veteran's Park. This will be on Wednesdays beginning June 23 through August 11th starting at 10 AM and ends at 11:30 AM. There will not be any program on July 7th. What exactly is this. It's the Block Party Wagon full of interactive games and equipment to facilitate unique and engaging outdoor activities for kids of all ages. There are group games, craft activities and fun fitness challenges promoting physical activity and interactions.

At the time of writing, unable to verify whether or not July's River City Days will be happening or not. Working on verifying that event. Stay tuned. Was able to verify however, that ValleyFair will be opening. Don't have details.

Also, in July there is a Beach Blanket KidsDance Party planned. Stay tuned. Also saw the return of Fire and Ice in Chaska scheduled for October.



Spring Plant Sale

Vegetable plants • Hanging baskets • Containers •

Get Your Mothers Day Gift Here!



*All plants are
Minnesota
grown!!*



**East Union
Lutheran Church**

15180 County Rd 40,
Carver, MN 55315

**Saturday
May 8th**

9:00 a.m. to Noon

(Opens for browsing &
shopping at 9:00)



**Please wear a mask &
social distance**

Get Your
Vegetable plants &
patio pots this year!

**Lots of
Hanging
Baskets**

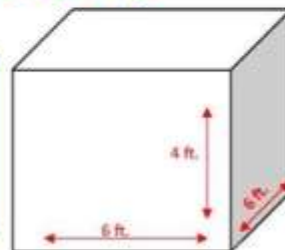




CLEAN UP DAY

MAY 15, 2021 - 7:00 A.M.

Curbside collection will be provided for items placed at the curb in an area no more than 6 feet wide by 6 feet long by 4 feet high.



ACCEPTED MATERIALS INCLUDE:

- Kids Toys, Household Items, and so on
- Furniture (disassembled)
- Carpet/Carpet Pads (rolled securely)
- Mattresses and Box Springs
- Miscellaneous Construction Materials



If you have materials that are not accepted, consider an option for recycling or reuse.

- www.recyclecarver.org
- SMSC Organics Recycling Facility - www.smscorf.com

MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED INCLUDE:

- General recyclables (cans, plastic, glass, paper, cardboard) should be picked up with the regular curbside recycling
- Appliances (washers, dryers, water heaters, a/c, ranges, refrigerators, and so on)
- Electronics (phones, computers, televisions, and so on)
- Hazardous Materials (paint, batteries, oil, tires, bulbs, and so on)
- Concrete, Bricks, and Shingles
- Brush, Leaves, Grass, and any other organic material
- Items outside of the 6 ft. x 6 ft. x 4 ft. maximum collection area
- The City of Carver and its Contractor have the right to refuse hauling any materials based on safety concerns or hazardous waste regulations.

Call 952-448-5353 or visit www.cityofcarver.com for more information.



Appliances, electronics, and hazardous materials can be disposed of at:
Carver County Environmental Center, 116 Peavey Road, Chaska, MN
Phone: 952-361-1835 | www.environment@co.carver.mn.us

Carver Lions Shredding Event

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Community Park**



**Collect your paper waste to shred.
2 box limit per vehicle
Paper Only
Free! Donations accepted.**

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Join Carver on the Minnesota for our 2021 Summer Solstice



Canoe/Kayak Trip & Picnic!

— The Perfect Father's Day Outing! —

Carver on the Minnesota is hosting our ninth annual Minnesota River trip and picnic. This is a FREE event, but donations are always very much appreciated.

Join us for a 3-4 hour canoe trip and picnic on the historic Minnesota River between the Jordan boat landing and Carver's Riverside Park.

Use your own equipment or contact us for availability of rental equipment.

The purpose of this event is to help people experience the natural beauty of the Minnesota river and to connect with the history of the Carver area.

The trip will take place Sunday, June 20th, beginning at 8am, and ending at approximately noon. The event will take place rain or shine, but would be canceled for dangerous weather or river conditions.

For more information and to make reservations, contact us by 6/11/21.

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CARVER ON THE MINNESOTA

