Sump Pump Notice

Sump pumps have been installed in many Lake Crystal homes to remove groundwater collected by foundation drains and thereby prevent water damage to basement walls and floors. This water is not polluted and does not require any treatment before being discharged to a waterway.

Sanitary sewers, however, collect wastes from homes, other buildings and businesses; these wastes must be treated prior to discharge to a waterway. The discharge of sump pumps to floor drains and to indoor plumbing can result in hydraulic overloads of the sanitary sewer. When sewer lines become overloaded, sewage can back up into homes and businesses. Therefore, it is against Lake Crystal City Code to discharge a sump pump to the sanitary sewer system.

We want to protect all homeowners from sewer backups. To do this we need everyone’s cooperation to ensure sump pumps are not discharged to the sanitary system. If you have any questions concerning the proper discharge of sump pumps, feel free to call City Offices at (507) 726-2538.

2019 Budget Priorities Survey

The City of Lake Crystal has launched its 2019 budget survey, giving the community the opportunity to weigh-in on what it thinks local government should prioritize in next year’s budget.

The survey is comprised of 18 questions and takes around 5 minutes to complete. The online survey, which will be available through August 12, can be accessed directly at the following web address:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LakeCrystalBudgetSurvey2019

Paper surveys are available to be completed at City Hall (100 E. Robinson St.) Updates and information about additional opportunities to provide input in the 2019 budget process will also be posted on the City’s website.

Thank you for your time, help and consideration on this important issue.

Utility Bill Reminder

Utility bills are due on the 30th of each month. Bills that are paid after the 30th are subject to a 10% late charge.

If you have questions about your bill please call 507-726-2538 as soon as possible after receiving the bill so we can address the problem right away.
Are you new to town;  
Have you recently turned 18;  
Do you want to avoid waiting in line on Election Day

**PRE-REGISTER TO VOTE NOW**  
By going to mnvotes.org or call City Hall (726-2538)

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**ABSENTEE VOTING IS AVAILABLE THROUGH AUGUST 13TH FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION**

**IN PERSON DIRECT BALLOT VOTING BY ABSENTEE – August 7-13th**

Take advantage of this convenience to vote on your own time instead of waiting in line on Election Day. Go to Blue Earth County Courthouse, Elections Department, 204 S 5th St, Mankato, MN.

More information can be found on the Secretary of States website at MNVotes.org.

**POLLING LOCATION:**  
City Hall Community Room  
100 E Robinson Street  
Lake Crystal, MN 56055

**RUNNING FOR MAYOR:**  
Brad Ahrenstorff  

**RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL:**  
Gina Cooper and Susan Gengler

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**Energy Star Rebates Available**

Lake Crystal Municipal Utilities offers a variety of rebates for both residential and commercial customers who install energy efficient appliances, equipment, and lighting.

Rebate forms are available at City Hall or online at [www.lakecrystalmn.org](http://www.lakecrystalmn.org)

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• LED Lights  
• LED Holiday Lights | • Energy Star Appliances: Copiers, Printers, Computers, A/C, and more!  
• LED and CFL Lighting  
• Custom Rebates: Talk to us about your upcoming energy conservation projects! |