



City of Becker Newsletter

January/ February

2018

Upcoming Meeting Dates

City Council

Tuesday, January 16th 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 6th 6:00 p.m.

EDA

Monday, January 8th 5:30 p.m.

Planning Commission

Monday, January 29th 6:00 p.m.

Phone Numbers & Contacts

Local Number: 763 -261 -4302

City Hall..... 763 -200 - 4239
Mayor Tracy Bertram.....612- 219 - 5992
Public Works.....763 - 200 - 4257
Metro West Inspect.....763 - 479 - 1720
Water Supply Depart.....763 -200 - 4276
Community Center.....763 -200 - 4271
Pro Shop.....763 -200 - 4268
POLICE.....763 -200 - 4267

EMERGENCY.....**9-1-1**

City AdministratorGreg Pruszinske
Finance Director.....Connie Robinson

Holiday

City Offices will be closed Monday, January 15th in honor of Martin Luther King

SIDEWALK SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

It is the property owner’s responsibility to keep all sidewalks that abut a street free from snow and ice. City Code requires the property owner to remove snow and ice within 48 hours following the termination of any snowstorm.

A complete copy of Chapter 7 Section 7.16 is available on the City website at www.ci.becker.mn.us. It is the property owner’s responsibility to keep all sidewalks that abut a street free from snow and ice. Please make arrangements for someone to remove your snow or ice if you are unable or out of town within 48 hours of a snow event.

Pictures

City Hall would like your pictures of events or places in Becker that you think are worth sharing that we can post on our website, facebook, etc . One will be chosen each week for posting. Please do not include people unless you have a signed document from them granting permission to use the picture. Please photos to: ahuesman@ci.becker.mn.us.

Snowmobiling Ordinance

It is unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile on the right - of - way of any public highway, street, road, trail or alley used for motor vehicle travel, except upon the most right hand lane of a street or alley and may in passing or making a left hand turn. Snowmobiles may also be operated upon the ditch bottom or the outside bank of trunk, County State aid and County highways where such highways are located within the City limits. Snowmobiles may not be operated on a public sidewalk or trails provided for pedestrian travel, boulevards within any public right-of-way, or on private property without specific permission of the owner. Snowmobiles can not be driven at a rate of speed greater than ten (10) miles per hour. They will not be operated at any time or place in a careless or negligent manner, or with disregard of the rights or safety of others. City Code 8:10

Winter Parking

Remember winter parking is in effect. All vehicles are prohibited from parking on all City streets & roadways.
November 1st — April 15th 12:00 am — 8:00 am

TEEN DRIVERS

Traffic crashes are the leading killer of Minnesota teens. To minimize risks of injury or death, laws limiting teen passengers and nighttime driving will help teens hone driving skills during the first year of licensure and reduce exposure to high-risk situations.

Nighttime Driving Limitation: For the first 6 months of licensure, driving is prohibited from midnight-5am. Exemption: accompanied by a licensed driver age 25 or older, driving between home and place of employment; driving to/from home and a school event for which the school has not provided transportation; driving for employment purposes. The nighttime limitation is lifted after the first 6 months.

Teen Passenger Limitation: For the first 6 months, only 1 passenger under the age of 20 is permitted, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. For the 2nd 6 months, no more than 3 passengers under the age of 20 are permitted, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. Exemption: passengers under the age of 20 who are members of the immediate family are permitted

Seat Belt Use: Drivers and passengers under the age of 18 must wear a seat belt or be properly secured in a child restraint.

Cell Phone and Texting Restrictions: It is illegal for drivers under the age of 18 to use a cellular/wireless phone, whether hand-held or hands-free, except to call 911 in an emergency.

Drinking and Driving: It is illegal for a person under the age of 21 to drive after consuming any amount of alcohol. Consequences for underage drinking and driving are the loss of license for at least 30 days and court fines. Teen drivers with a provisional license whose driving privileges are revoked from a crash or alcohol/controlled substance related violation cannot regain a license until the age of 18.

For more details and information on teen laws, please visit: www.mndriveinfo.org

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

You should have a carbon monoxide detector installed in your home whenever you are burning indoors any type of **liquid or solid fuel** for heating, cooking or other use.

If you have fuel-burning appliances on more than one level of your home, you should have a carbon monoxide detector on each floor. For example, if you have a gas range on the main floor and a wood-burning fireplace on the lower level, you should have detectors on each of these floors.

Such fuel-burning appliances are generally tested and safe to use, but should there be a clogged vent line or any part of the appliance that becomes faulty, it could release hazardous levels of carbon monoxide in your home and death can occur within minutes. But you can keep your family safe by using a carbon monoxide detector which can alert you to the presence of this silent toxic gas.

If you work regularly on running vehicles in a closed garage, you should also consider installing a unit in that area as well. Read more on: About.com.

WATER BILLS

This is the first month of monthly water bills. You will receive your bill around the 5th of each month with the due date being the 25th of each month. Pay with Credit Card/Online payment, or Direct Debit. Get form at www.ci.becker.mn.us. For questions, Call Christine at 763-200-4251. **Due Date January**

Street Lights Out?

Call City Hall
763 -200-4239, or 763 261-4302

Becker Area Senior Center

Seniors meet at City Hall every
Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm