

Dates to Remember

City Council Meeting, Thursday, April 9, 7:00pm - Village Hall

Sever Weather Awareness Wk April 20th thru 24th.
Tornado Drill April 23rd 1:45 & 6:55 pm.

Office Closed April 22 - Employee Training

Compost Site—Sat. April 18

Planning Commission Tuesday April 28, 7:30pm - Village Hall

City Council Meeting Thursday May 14, Village Hall - 7:00pm

Heavy Metal Day—Saturday, May 16, 9am - Noon

Mill Stream Day—Sunday May, 17, 2009 12 noon - 4pm

Office Closed May 25 - Memorial Day

Planning Commission Tuesday May 26, 7:30 pm Village Hall

Progressive Dinner—Saturday, June 6th

City Council Meeting - Thursday June 11, Village Hall - 7:00pm

Fireman's Street Dance Saturday June 20, 2009 - 5:30pm to 11:00pm

Planning Commission Tuesday June 30, 7:30 pm Village Hall



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2009 Fireman's Street Dance
Saturday, June 20th from 5:30pm - 11:00pm.

**** Gordy's famous ribs, brats and beer will be served starting at 5:30pm. ****
***** Big Walter Smith is the band, playing from 7 pm to 11 pm *****
***** Kids activities, food, and "warm-up" activities prior to 7 pm. *****

This is a great opportunity to have a good time with family and friends while supporting your local Public Safety Department.



Congratulations to Robin Brooksbank, who in February, was named the 2008 Citizen of the Year by the Marine City Council. Robin, who is a life long resident of Marine on St. Croix, served on the City Council for 9 years and prior to that the Planning Commission. Robin is recognized for her work on the Village Center, River Way Rules Committee, National Holidays Committee, and as a liaison between the City and the Marine School Association (MSA) just to name a few. Thank you Robin for your dedication and hard work in making the City a great place to be.



HOW DO YOU WANT IT?
Email ? or US Postal Service?

The City would like to offer the Newsletter through email to help save on mailing costs. You may also request a copy of our Agendas (draft), City Council and Planning Commission Minutes. Just a reminder the Newsletter and Minutes are also available on our website marine.govoffice.com. If you are interested please email the City Office at mosc@wdeail.com.



Planning Commission
The Planning Commission would like to welcome the new members: Andy Creager, Gwen Roden, and Gerry Perham. **Thank You** to all the volunteers who have served on this Planning Commission.

Tidbits and Reminders

Public Works Announcements

Jason and Tommy will be working on the I&I (Inflow & Infiltration) issues again this spring. Please be aware they will continue their inspections of the sump pumps in hopes to resolve this issue.

COMPOST SITE OPENS APRIL 18, 2009

The City compost site will be open during the following hours:
Wednesdays, noon to 7pm and Saturdays from 9am until 4pm.

The City asks that you please abide by the following rules:

1. No garbage bags. (Please take all paper and plastic bags home with you)
2. No sticks or brush!
3. No Trash! (This is NOT a dump. Please keep all glass, metals and plastics out of the compost pile)
4. The brush pile is available for Marine residents only! (The compost attendant will have a list of all Marine residents. If you are not on the list, please contact the City office.)
5. As always, the compost site will close during weather when there is thunder and lightening.
6. Questions or comments? Please call the City office at 433-3636.

HWY 95 Resurface Project



With spring on our doorstep our thoughts turn to roads, since we can finally see them and feel them, and road construction.



The good news is that due to the stimulus money that has been made available for projects that are ready to go this year the HWY 95 resurfacing project has been moved up from summer of 2010 to this year. This means that the timeline has shrunk and MNDAT is in the final engineering phases prior to letting the project go out for Bid, sometime in May. The estimated start date for the project will be sometime the last half of August.

There will be several phases to the project:

- 1) There will be several open cuts made, prior to any resurfacing and overlay projects, to repair and update the culverts that cross HWY 95. This may result in the road closure of HWY 95 for up to several days. Detours and alternate routes have not yet been designated but as soon as we hear about them we will communicate to everyone.
- 2) The main highway will have 1 1/2" removed and then resurfaced with another 3" of Asphalt. This will in effect raise the road height by 1 1/2" The shoulders will be overlaid with 1 1/2" of Asphalt after any defects or grade issues are resolved.
- 3) There will be a right hand turn lane (going Northbound) added at the entrance to camp Kiwanis. There is not one currently planned for Butternut falls but we are working with the state to try and get this on the engineering list. Please see Mike Lammi or Dale Stull if you have any questions.

The hope is to start in August and complete the project before the end of the construction season.

Along with this project we hope to have two solar powered, wireless pedestrian activated crosswalks installed. One at the Kiwanis Camp crossing and one at the Hwy 95 and Co Rd 4 crossing. We have preliminary bids and are working on collecting final numbers and installation information.

Please feel free to contact us.

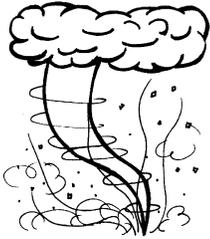
Thank You Mike Lammi

Heavy Metal Day

Heavy Metal Day will be held on Saturday, May 16 from 9:00 A.M.—12:00 NOON

Collection will be behind Security State Bank at Wayside Park. You can find the list of items that will be collected, along with their prices, posted on the bulletin board in front of the Village Hall and on the City's website.

Public Safety Announcements



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Severe Weather Week
 April 20th - 24th
 Tornado Drill Day
 April 23 - 1:45 & 6:55
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Spring is here, and while it is too soft to do much yard work you could evaluate the access to your home for Fire and EMS vehicles. City ordinance requires you to maintain a 12' clear "box" from the public road to your home. No overhanging branches, mailboxes, bird feeders or other decorations within that 12' wide by 12' high box coming in. This allows emergency vehicles clear and efficient access to your home without endangering personnel or equipment, (a recent death of a fire officer who was killed out east when the fire apparatus he was riding in struck a tree branch- it came thru the windshield, and killed the officer, comes to mind). Here in Marine and May Township, just this past winter we have had several incidents that our access was restricted due to overhanging items- and this has impaired our access to the property and increased that critical response time. If you have any questions about the access to your home feel free to call the Village Hall and leave the Fire Chief a message.

Also it might be a good time to think about how do you keep your home and property safe from wild land fires this season. A few simple Fire wise (see Mn. DNR website), practices and precautions could make the difference between your home surviving a fire or becoming just more fuel. Things like keeping rubbish and compost cleaned up and at least 100' away from buildings, keeping a minimum of 100' clearance with overgrown shrubbery and other vegetation could be critical to your properties survival. See that website, or call the fire department for more information.

Our annual Firemen's' Ball is once again is being planned by Meg Kavanagh and her Crew and as always it looks like a great time should be had, rain or shine. Great music, great food, and good friends all combine to make it one of the most anticipated events in yearly Village life. Save the date, always the 3rd Saturday in June, (6/20) and watch your mailbox for more information and tickets, and come on down and help support and honor the 41 men and women, your neighbors and friends, who dedicate their time and energies to helping you, your family and this entire Community stay safe and secure! Call the City Office if you would like to volunteer to help with this great event!

As most of you were aware we were at a critical point with our ambulance service just a few months ago. Despite the dedication and energy of the members of the Department it looked like we would be unable to staff that part of our operation beyond the 2nd quarter of this year. In fact, Department leadership had taken the very prudent step of planning exit strategies and making contingency plans for the day this summer when our ambulance would cease operations. Fortunately, six of your neighbors answered the call and joined the Department. One of them is already taking calls, and five more will graduate from their 120 hour EMT school in the next few weeks and begin ride a longs and serving the Community. In addition, the Fire Squad received 5 additional volunteers, bringing those ranks up to more comfortable levels. This truly was an outstanding showing by this Community!

Did you know that your Marine Public Safety Department, consisting of the Fire and EMS Squads, is one of the last uncompensated public safety organizations in the Metro Area? While many communities have "volunteer" departments, almost all are "paid on call" where the member is paid for taking runs and doing trainings. Here in Marine we do not receive that compensation, only the State mandated retirement, or "Relief" is received by our members for their 120 to 480 hours of service every year, something that our members are extremely proud of, and this also helps to keep taxes lower for the residents they serve. If you would like to become part of this very dedicated and motivated team call the City Office or Chief Denn @ 433-2801 for more information.

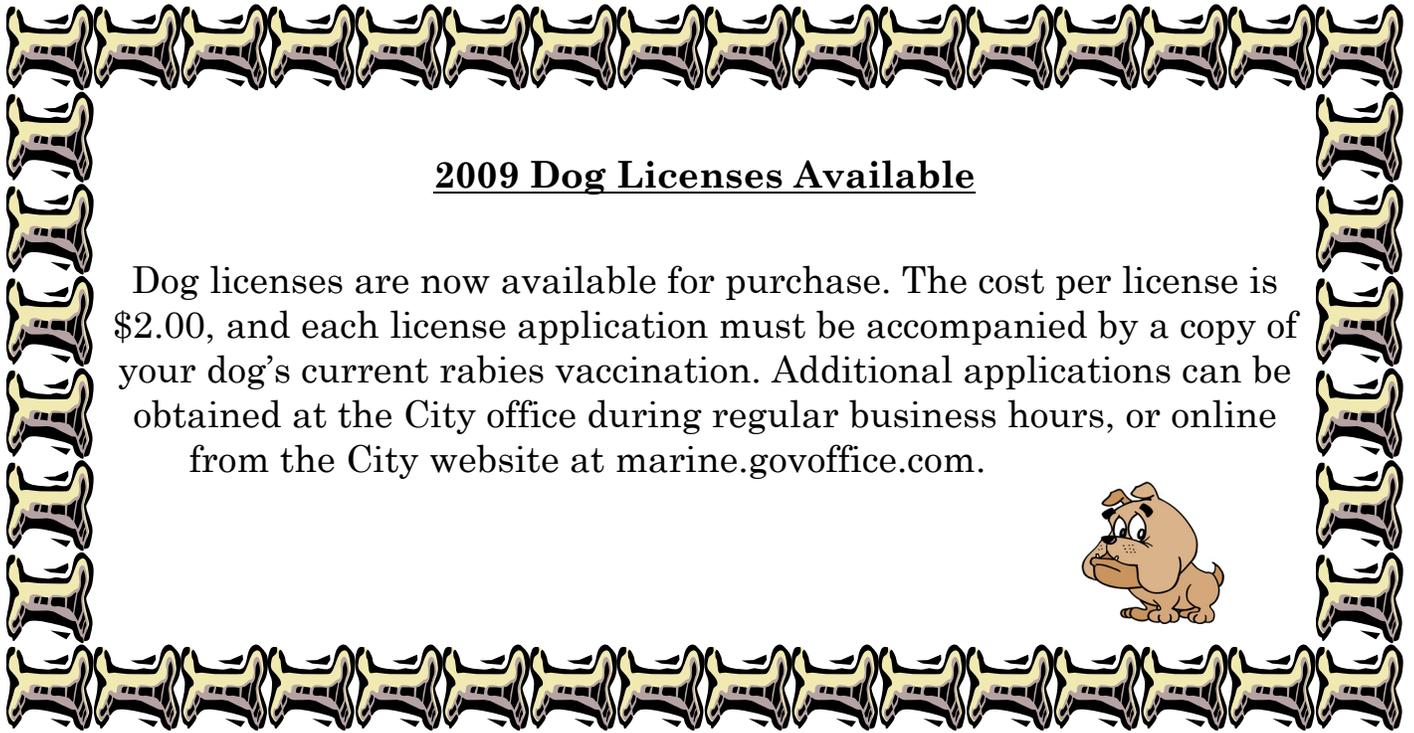
The Marine Public Safety Department was recently the recipient, along with the Marine Civic Club, Marine Restoration Society and Christ Lutheran Church of a gift of \$34, 500 dollars, (each), from the estate of Mildred Skoggloff, a longtime Marine resident. The scope of this bequest was extremely surprising, and very much appreciated. Here is a woman who truly gave back to preserving a way of life she enjoyed for many years. The Department is working on a "long-term" plan for this generous gift, rather than spending it "up-front" they are looking to create a "scholarship fund" or some other tool that can be used to help with recruitment and retention of members. Thank-you!!!



BURNING PERMITS

A Friendly Reminder that a burning permit is required for anything larger than 3'X3'. You can contact the City office Monday thru Thursday to obtain a permit.





2009 Dog Licenses Available

Dog licenses are now available for purchase. The cost per license is \$2.00, and each license application must be accompanied by a copy of your dog's current rabies vaccination. Additional applications can be obtained at the City office during regular business hours, or online from the City website at marine.govoffice.com.



**City of Marine on St. Croix
APPLICATION FOR DOG LICENSE**

Name of Owner: _____

Address: _____

Name of Dog: _____ Male ___ Female ___

Color: _____ Breed: _____

Date of last rabies vaccination: _____

◆ Enclose a copy or certificate from veterinarian

Name of Vet Clinic: _____

Note: Dogs under 6 months of age are not required to be licensed.



Marine Restoration Society



Village Hall Our Unique Sense of Place.

The Society is a non-profit organization affiliated with the City of Marine to renovate buildings and structures owned by the City. There is a membership fee of \$15.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. Restoration Society promotes the annual Home for the Holidays Concert by Butch Thompson (who grew up in Marine), the Progressive Dinner, and the 4th of July Running Race as fundraisers to take on our projects. Residents organized the Marine on St. Croix Res-

Next Meetings :

April 11th from 1:00 - 3:pm The Restoration Society will meet to take stock of our organization and set goals for the next couple of years. We will review our purpose, as stated in our by-laws, and work together to consider our goals. Prior our meeting we'll be able to tour the building and see what we have already accomplished and what we are thinking of next.

May 5th at 7:00pm Please join us to learn more about our organization and help us with our next project. We would enjoy having you attend.

June 6th at 5:00 pm. Plan to join us on the evening of June 6th for the All Town Progressive Dinner where you can meet people from different neighborhoods and gather with those you already know in a relaxing setting. Progress through the village at a different home for each of 3 courses and end up for dessert at the Village Hall. Consider joining with another friend to co-host a course. Remember no one expects anything fancy we just want to have fun? Look for the invitation in early May.

Restoration Society All Town Progressive Dinner June 6, 2009

Gather with friends and neighbors at a casual event that is a lot of fun and you can eat a lot of dessert! Look for additional information to be mailed out in the near future.

SAVE THE RED BRIDGE



The Red Bridge is used every day by townspeople – especially those living in the “Mill Stream Area”, as well as tourists. People headed to and from the river, downtown, a neighbor’s, school or church use this landmark. The most recent reconstruction of the Red Bridge was in 1985, when the Seabees, a Civil Engineer Corps of the U.S. Navy was recruited to rebuild the bridge from the ground up, using the original blueprints. However, use and time have taken a toll on the Red Bridge. Local contactor Dan Froiland is replacing the handrails and structural components needed to shore up this precious commodity.

The Marine Restoration Society has graciously joined in the fundraising to again “Save The Red Bridge”. The original posters with Carl Erickson’s rendition of the bridge are available with a donation of \$15 at the Marine General Store, Ostlund’s Marine Garage and the Security State Bank. For a donation of \$25 you can have your name recognized on the bridge. 100% of the donations will go directly to the bridge project and are tax deductible. The fundraiser will wrap up on April 30, 2009, please make checks payable to “Marine Restoration Society”. and mail to Marine Restoration Society c/o Gwen Roden, P.O. Box 158, Marine, MN 55047.

The Red Bridge is more than a landmark; it’s an essential piece of our lifestyle here in Marine.

Let’s **“Save The Red Bridge”** together.

STONE HOUSE MUSEUM WEENIE ROAST GOES GREEN

The Stone House Museum 241 - 5th St. will be hosting their annual family weenie roast on Memorial Day from 11am until 2pm. Hot dogs, Lemonade, water, condiments and buns will be offered for \$.75. Bring your own napkin and glass if you can, to cut down on waste generated. The museum will be open for tours and thence forward from 2-5 pm. Saturdays and Sundays until Labor Day, or by appointment by calling 433-5675.

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**We're on the web -
marine.govoffice.com**

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AND STAFF**

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Council meets the second
Thursday of each month at
7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

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