The City Council has set the maximum levy for 2019 at $885,334.92, which represents a 0.03% decrease from 2018. The Truth in Taxation meeting for citizen input regarding the 2019 budget will be held at the Village Hall on a date to be determined. Check the City calendar and City bulletin board for updates.

General Election will be held on Tuesday November 6.

Voter information can be found by contacting Washington County Elections at: 651-430-6175 or elections@co.washington.mn.us

You can register to vote, update your registration, or request an absentee ballot at: https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/.

The Marine Library Association will be hosting a candidate forum on Tuesday, October 23 at 7pm featuring the three candidates who are running for the two, at-large Marine on St. Croix City Council seats in November’s election. Audience members will have the opportunity to submit questions for the candidates to discuss.

Septic Pumping Underway
If you see an orange cone in your yard, it means your tank will be pumped this year.
2018 Hunting Season Information

Hunting Safety Reminders
- Be aware while walking trails, parks
- Wear bright orange clothing

Permits are required for any person(s) hunting with a firearm. These permits are available at the City office during regular business hours. Property owners interested in allowing bow hunters on their property to hunt deer should contact the City office. Any questions regarding hunting regulations or to report any suspicious or illegal activity may contact Conservation Officer Scott Arntzen at 763-413-4881.

It is against the City Code to discharge a firearm within the limits of the City of Marine on St. Croix without a permit, which when signed by the Mayor, are approved for the purpose of hunting only. (Chapter 9, Section 1).

Bow Hunting September 15- December 31 Shotgun November 3- 11 Muzzle Loading November 24- December 9

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Completion of Road Project

The 2018 Street Improvements Project is expected to be completed in October. This project included improvements to blacktop and water control on Holmes Street, Berkey Street, Wilke Street, Rose Street, and Rosabell Street. Also included was the alley going to the Red Bridge, repaving of the Cemetery Road, and improvements to the existing bike trail on the south end of Highway 95 to County Road 7 to 400-feet north.

Mark your calendars...

Saturday, October 13th, 9am to noon-Heavy Metal Day-behind the bank

Saturday, October 13th at 9:00 am and Wednesday October 17th at 6:00 pm-
Public Meetings hosted by the City Council to discuss the potential purchase of the Marine Elementary School property. The meetings will take place at the Village Hall.

Saturday, October 31-Compost Site Closing-The compost site will close its gates for the season on Saturday, October 31, 2018 or earlier if it snows.
National Fire Prevention Week— Oct. 7th through 13th, 2018

Fire Prevention week falls from October 7th to 13th. The Marine on St. Croix Fire Department will be hosting two events to educate the public. On October 9th, Tuesday night at 6:30 pm, the department will have an open house for the community to meet and thank your local volunteers who are your neighbors for their service. They leave their family and friends at a moment’s notice to respond to someone else’s need in the for medical, fire or emergency services. We will be offering kids rides on the emergency vehicles and provide chili as a snack. We will also be visiting River Grove Elementary during the week educating children on the basics of fire prevention, when to call 911, etc.

This year’s national campaign slogan is “Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware – fire can happen anywhere.” Through three simple words, we emphasize ways people can reduce their risk to fire and be prepared if the event of one:

- **Look** for places that can start a fire. Ensuring your house is safe should be part of your daily activities; for example, walking past the stove, gas can stored outside away from the dwelling, open candles are extinguished when you leave the room.

- **Listen** for the sound of the smoke alarm. Too many times we become complacent when we hear the alarm in the house and wonder what is the cook burning tonight. Rather than continue to sit on the couch watching television, react immediately to verify there is not a fire and educating the family on the importance of the alarm.

- **Learn** two ways out of each room. Knowing your routes of escape is as important as emphasizing where you will meet once outside.

Thank You! 2018 Marine Art Fair

The City of Marine on St Croix and the Marine Public Safety Department would like to thank everyone who helped make the 2018 Marine Art Fair a memorable and successful event. The event raised $18,000 dollars for the Fire and Rescue Department. A special thank you goes out to Mary Skamser, Diane Mills, Kathy Marker, Kiersten Young, and Lynette Peterson for their hard work as part of the Art Fair Committee.

Burn Permits

The cost per permit is $5.00 for piles or $15.00 for a prescribed burn permit. Each permit is good for up to 3 consecutive days. You can contact the City office during regular business hours Monday through Thursday to obtain a permit. No permit is required once there are 3 inches or more of snow on the ground.
The City of Marine has an ordinance in place regulating the placement of snow on streets and sidewalks.

The ordinance is as follows:

“All snow and ice not removed from public sidewalks by the owner or occupant of any building or lot abutting a public sidewalk 12 hours after the snow and ice has ceased to be deposited thereon, and unless acting under a specific contract with the City or with written special permission from the City, no owners or occupants of real property, or any person on behalf of any such owner or occupant, shall push, deposit, pile, or otherwise place in any public street, alley, sidewalk, or trail right-of-way, any snow or ice from such private real property or from public boulevards adjoining such private real property.”

The City will charge for the removal of any snow resulting from the violation of this ordinance.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Public Trails Announcement

As the seasons begin to change, so does the use of the City’s public trails. While the City encourages all residents to use and enjoy the City trails, there are a few guidelines to remember which will help improve safety and enhance the beauty of the trail system.

General Use Guidelines:

No motorized traffic (except for motorized wheelchairs)  
Keep right so others can pass  
Keep all pets on a leash and remove all waste  
Obey traffic signs and rules  
Pick up garbage and litter  
Respect adjoining landowners rights and privacy  
Warn other trail users when passing  
Share the trail with others  
Stay on designated trails; do not take shortcuts  
Enjoy the beauty of nature and do not disturb the plants and animals.

During the winter months many of our trails are used for cross country skiing. Volunteers from Jackson Meadow groom some of these trails and walkers are asked to try and avoid the groomed ski trails.
Power of the St. Croix Project Seeks Local Artists for City Public Art

The Power of the St. Croix Utility Box Mural Project is seeking local artists to creatively express themselves on Marine on St. Croix utility boxes! Led by Marine resident Fitzie Heimdahl, this project aims to celebrate the St. Croix River and our local artistic talent, as well as creating lasting pieces of art that will improve the appearance of the city for residents and visitors alike. Artists will be paid between $300-$500 per box.

The theme of this project revolves around the St. Croix River, as it is the river that connects our towns and communities. The project coincides with the 50th anniversary of the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act protecting the St. Croix Riverway. Submissions should be themed around the River – the natural beauty of the river or the history of the river – and can be realist or abstract, photography or a painting. Here are endless possibilities with this project!

This project was funded through a Great Idea Competition Grant from the Stillwater Area Foundation, City of Marine on St. Croix, the City of Stillwater, and the Washington County Historical Society.

For instructions and the application for Marine, please visit artreachstcroix.org/opportunities

Hall Rental

Have an event coming up you’d like to have in Marine? The upstairs of the Marine Village Hall is available for rent for wedding receptions, dances, birthday parties, etc.

The maximum capacity is 165 people. There are 120 chairs and 12 banquet tables available for use. The facility is handicap accessible. There is a small, non-commercial kitchen, therefore any event must provide their own outside catering.

Fees and Deposits for Marine Residents are as follows:
- Upstairs Ballroom - $300 per day
- Council Chambers - $50.00 per day
- Set up day prior to event - $50.00

To find out availability or schedule an event, contact the City during regular business hours at 651-433-3659, or email mosc@cityofmarine.org
SUPPORT THE MARINE COMMUNITY LIBRARY!
Marine Library Association announces its 2018 Annual Fundraising Drive to support Marine Community Library. Become a supporter of great books, children’s programs, informative talks, the Marine Documentary Film series, art displays, and all that makes our 100% volunteer-run library a welcoming, reliable community asset!

Here are three ways you can support the library:

Annual Campaign and Matching Gift Challenge
Contribute to the Matching Gift Challenge -- a dollar for dollar match up to $5,000 to support Marine Community Library. Reaching the goal of $10,000 will enable us to keep the library operating. You may stop in the library for a donation form, to make a donation, or mail to Box 85. Help support the treasure of a true community library in Marine.

The New Standards
The Marine Library Association presents The New Standards on Sunday, October 14 at 7 pm. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Ticket price includes hors d’oeuvres and dessert. Wine will be available for sale. Tickets are available online at brownpapertickets.com/event/3595343.

Silent Online Auction
Marine Library Association is pleased to offer one-of-a-kind experiences to our supporters. You can bid on a chance to get a gardening consultation from Master Gardener Lynn Steiner, an art lesson from renowned local artist Kami Mendlik or go on a hunting outing with a red-tailed hawk and falconer Andy Weaver, among other one-of-a-kind valley experiences. Check out www.32auctions.com/MCL2018 to see the generous offerings from our neighbors.

All proceeds from the Matching Gift Challenge, The New Standards show, and Online Silent Auction benefit the Marine Community Library. Donations are tax deductible.
UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS

Programs are held at Marine Village Hall, 121 Judd Street, Marine on St. Croix. Free. All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

[A friendly reminder - please do not park in front of the General Store when attending events]

**Thursday, October 4 at 7 pm**  **Marine Doc Night! Risking Light**
From the streets of Minneapolis, the aboriginal lands of Australia, and the killing fields of Cambodia come the powerful stories of three people who had the courage to step out of the haunting, tragic darkness of the past, risking everything to reach the light of their own compassion. *Risking Light* is a thought-provoking documentary that explores resilience, and the painful process of moving from grief to compassion and forgiveness. Dawn Mikkelsen, director, will be on hand for Q&A after the film.

Mark your calendar for future Marine Doc Nights: November 1, December 6, January 3, February 7.

**Thursday, November 29 at 7 pm**  **Earth, Wind, Fire, and Climate Change: What's the future for our forests — locally and beyond? with Peter Reich**

Our Minnesota climate has migrated 75 miles north in the past 50 years, and may shift 100-200 miles further north in the next 50. What will this do to our forests? Peter will first discuss how Minnesota's forests have changed since European settlement and how a warming climate — including associated changes in drought, wind, fire, and insect pests — might affect their future. He’ll then address how similar changes are likely to affect forests from Alaska to Amazonia.

*Peter is Regents Professor and F.B. Hubachek, Sr. Chair in Forest Ecology and Tree Physiology in the Department of Forest Resources at the University of Minnesota, and lives in Marine.*

Co-sponsor: Friends of Scandia Parks and Trails

**KIDS' PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY**

We had a super successful summer of activities for kids and families, including a kick-off event, two weeks of Summer Science/Art Camp, a summer reading incentive program to encourage kids to read for enjoyment, five delightful storytimes, and an interactive play, "The Country Mouse and the City Mouse," performed by the CLIMB Theatre and funded by the MN Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, through Washington County.

Coming this fall…

**Super Story Time at the Marine Community Library! Thursday, Sept. 27, 10:30 AM**
Join us at the library as well-known storyteller Suzanne, from Washington County libraries, entertains us with stories and a craft. This is the first of a monthly story time to be held every fourth Thursday morning of each month during the school year!

**Messing with Monsters! Saturday, November 3, 10:00 AM**
Professional storyteller Brain Poultan presents an interactive storytelling program. This fun and funny program removes the fear and brings the fun out of some mighty monster stories.

**Family Game Night Friday, November 9, 5:00 PM**
Back by popular demand! Watch for details.

No registration required for these free events. This program is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, through Washington County.
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The newsletter is also available on our website at www.marineonstcroix.org
Thank you!