Happy 4th of July!

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Viewing area will now be in and around Burris Park.

For all of your 4th of July news, see page 5

Canoes must be picked up by August 1st.

The City of Marine is now accepting online utility payments.

Things to note:

- There is a small service fee; $3.00 per $100.00 utility bill.

- You have the option to view your utility bill online and continue to send a check.

To register go to:

www.ub-pay.com

use Municipal Code
MarineMN047
KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Fire and Rescue News

Summer Yard Work and Outdoor Repairs

Like many of us, we have your ‘to-do list’ for the summer and have been checking off many of the items. The Fire Department would like add to your list:

- **House Visibility.** Is your house number clearly visible from street? If you have a mail box, please place your house number on both sides for emergency personnel to easily find you.
- **House Accessibility.** Is the driveway to your home and other structures accessible for emergency vehicles? Those nice trees shading your driveway can obstruct emergency vehicles from getting to you. The driveway needs to be at least 12 feet wide, have 12 feet of height clearance to ensure our fire trucks and ambulance can get to you.
- **‘Fire Zone’.** Have you removed items that burn easily from the perimeter of your house? Maintain a clear ‘fire zone’ of 10' around structures.
- **Firewood.** Is your firewood stored away from your house?
- **Fire Plan.** Have you developed a “fire plan” with your family including escape routes and a place to meet once outside your home?
- **Hazards.** Check outdoor electrical outlets and other electrical appliances for animal nests, chewed cord or other hazards.
- Let power equipment sit for approximately 30 minutes before placing it inside to be sure there is no possibility of fire.
- Store gasoline or other flammables outside the home or garage preferably in a locked detached shed.

Thank You!

2019 Fire and Rescue Street Dance

The Marine Fire Department would like to extend a special thank you to Andy and Sandy Weaver for organizing this year’s Street Dance, Gregg Brooksbank for providing the food, and everyone else who helped make this event successful. This event raises between $5,000 and $6,000 dollars for the Fire Department each year.

Coming Up...

2019 Marine Art Fair

Mark your calendars for the 46th Annual Marine Art Fair on September 21st and 22nd from 10 am - 5 pm each day. Proceeds benefit the Marine on St. Croix Fire and Rescue Department. If you or someone you know is interested in participating as an artist, you can visit the City website for additional information and an application.

https://www.marineonstcroix.org/artfair
June 12, 2019

The Washington County Sheriff’s Office is proud to serve the citizens of Mahtomedi, Willernie, Dellwood and Birchwood Village. We are committed to working together to make them safe communities.

Recently there has been a spike in home burglaries in the metro area. Suspects have broken into vehicles parked in driveways and used the garage remote controls to gain access into the residence.

This has not been reported within the Mahtomedi Contract cities. However, the Sheriff’s Office is asking for your assistance in helping to prevent burglaries by considering practicing some of the following tips:

**VEHICLES**

- Lock all vehicle doors and do not leave valuable items in your vehicle
- Remove garage door openers if you have to leave your vehicle outside

**RESIDENCE**

- Close and lock all doors of your home
- Consider closing lower level windows of your home to prevent access
- Consider home security systems
- Consider leaving exterior lighting on at night or installing motion activated lighting
- Limit or trim large shrubbery around lower level windows of your home
- If going out of town for an extended period you may want to have your mail held & newspaper delivery stopped and consider letting WCSO know the dates you will be gone and request a Vacation Check of your residence
- Report any suspicious vehicles or people to WCSO so a deputy can respond to the area. Try to gather as much descriptive info as possible (clothing, age, male/female, type of vehicle/color/plate info and direction of travel)

**Social Media**

- Do not broadcast your vacation; criminals monitor social media to identify vacant homes

Looking out for one another in your community not only helps each other but it helps us when we are responding to your calls. You are our biggest asset in helping to prevent crime!
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
JUNE 13, 2019  

CONTACT: ADAM BLOCK, DNR BOATING LAW ADMINISTRATOR, 651-259-5057.

DNR urges boaters to ‘Own your wake, for everyone’s sake!’

With the St. Croix River near Stillwater finally dropping for the first time this spring below the level where slow no-wake speeds are required, many people might be eager to throttle up and make some waves.

Not so fast. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources reminds boaters to be aware of the problems that can be caused by large wakes and to be responsible when operating near shorelines, docks and other recreationalists.

Driven by a growing number of calls and complaints about excessive wakes, the DNR this week is launching an educational effort urging people to “Own Your Wake – for everyone’s sake.” The agency will be working with marinas, boat dealers, local water patrols and others to spread the word about the importance of minimizing wakes that might pose a nuisance or hazard to others.

“In Minnesota, our waters belong to everyone, and everyone has equal rights to enjoy them – whether you run a speedboat, paddle a canoe, or own shoreline property,” said Adam Block, the DNR’s boating law administrator. “But shared resources require shared responsibility, everyone working to minimize the impact of their activities on others.”

The proliferation of speedboats, large watercraft, and “wake boats” (boats that sit low in the water and produce big waves that someone being towed can surf on) has given rise to increasing concerns around large wakes and the problems they can cause. Block said hardly a week passes that someone doesn’t call him and ask for guidance addressing the issue somewhere around the state. Large wakes can cause shoreline erosion, which results in impaired water quality. They sometimes damage others’ property, such as docked boats. And they may pose hazards to swimmers, paddlers, bystanders on the shore, and cause disruption to other boaters.

A growing number of states and jurisdictions around the country are imposing special surface water use restrictions to deal with excessive wakes. It is already against the law in Minnesota to operate a watercraft so that its wake endangers, harasses or interferes with any person or property. But the law can be challenging to enforce except in the most egregious cases, and many people may be unaware of the waves their boats kick up and the problems they cause. That’s leading some communities to seek localized no-wake speed limits on certain waters.

About a year ago, the city of Stillwater asked the DNR to impose a no-wake speed limit on the St. Croix River near its downtown area. After consulting with other agencies and units of government, the DNR decided to hold off on further restrictions, preferring to pursue efforts aimed at increasing awareness and voluntary compliance. A similar proposal was put before the city of Oak Park Heights, but the city council there tabled it.

“One person’s pleasure shouldn’t turn into another person’s problem or property loss,” Block said. “We want to work with our partners to get boaters to comply with existing rules and basic principles of on-the-water courtesy, to own your wake for everyone’s sake. But if boaters don’t accept that responsibility, it may well lead to more rules and restrictions.”
4th of July Central

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Wednesday July 3rd-FIREWORKS!! 10pm

Marine July 3rd Fireworks LEGEND
- Fireworks Launch Site
- Restricted/Closed Road Barricade
- Police
- Fire Department
- Parking Restrictions
- Handicap Parking
- Best Viewing Area (Judd Street from Berkey north; Burris Park)
- Best viewing from river

Note: Road restrictions begin at 6PM. We encourage all visitors to set up viewing area starting near Judd/Berkey, then north along Judd through Burris Park and into downtown. Thank you!

The 4th of July Holiday committee could use help on Thursday July 4th at 7:00 AM to clean up the streets and grass areas around town. Please bring blowers and brooms if you can. Treats and coffee will again be provided after the clean up from the Marine General Store.

Any questions please call Jeannie Davis @ 433-3025.

Thursday July 4th-Running Race & Parade

7:30-8:45am—Registration at Hay Lake School Lions Pavillion
9:15am — 2 and 4 Mile races begin.

Registration (until July 3rd) and details including age classes, prices and t-shirt sales (youth and adult sizes) is available at www.Marine4thofJulyRace.com. See the route map on the website under Course Details. Sponsored by the Marine Restoration Society

12 noon — Kids Parade & Annual 4th of July Parade
Compost Site

City of Marine on St. Croix residents are encouraged to take their Leaves, Grass, and Branches and Sticks under 4", to the city owned and operated compost site located 3/4 mile north of the Hwy 95 and County Rd 4 intersection. **No trash and no garbage bags. (Please take all paper and plastic bags home with you).**

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. **Weather Permitting.**

**Burning Hours are 6pm-8am per DNR requirements.**

*The permit holder must check with the Department of Natural Resources for current restrictions at* [http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/firerating_restrictions.html](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/firerating_restrictions.html) *and notify the Washington County Sheriff’s Office.*

Trails Rule Reminder

Chapter 29 of the City Code outlines the use of trails within the City of Marine. Please pay attention to the signs stating the type of travel or vehicle not allowed.

**Please also remember to clean up after your dogs as required by Chapter 5, Subd. 6 of the City Code.**

Thank you!
All-Town Progressive Dinner

On Saturday, June 1st, 110 residents of Marine and the surrounding area attended the annual All-Town Progressive Dinner. Old friends and new neighbors gathered together for this event in its 31st year. Participants progressed from house to house enjoying appetizers, soup/salad, and dinner courses while meeting a new group of dining companions at each destination. The entire group gathered at the end of the evening for dessert at the Marine Village Hall. This tradition is an important fundraiser for the Marine Restoration Society and raises over $2500.00 in donations. Year after year, this event continues to celebrate and unite our community. The Restoration Society wishes to thank this year’s participants and hosts. Please consider joining us next year on June 6th, 2020. If you wish to be added to the dinner list, please contact us at MarineRestoSociety@gmail.com

Oakland Cemetery

Last week you may have seen some work crews walking around Oakland Cemetery. This was a pre-assessment done in anticipation for a upcoming restoration project in Oakland Cemetery.

The project at Oakland Cemetery will be carried out in partnership with Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps (NBHPC), which is an AmeriCorps service learning organization (not a contractor) that provides hands-on opportunities in the historic preservation trades for young adults, while in turn accomplishing much needed preservation work for project hosts, such as MRS. We are expecting approximately 50 graves to be restored or repaired.

The project, known as a “hitch” is set to begin on Wednesday, June 26th with Johnathan Appel, nationally renowned monuments conservator providing comprehensive training to three AmeriCorps crews. Actual work is set to begin in Oakland cemetery June 27th thru June 29th. Then, June 30th - July 3rd, one crew will continue working in Oakland cemetery and the other two crews will disburse to other sites in the Washington County area.

Marine residents are welcome to come to the cemetery during the June 30th - July 3rd work days to observe the work being done.

Marine Restoration Society holds several fundraising activities to support these and other projects and is also funded through generous donations to Marine Restoration Society. For information see the marinerestorationsociety.org.

If you would like to make a special donation to this event there will be a fundraising activity on the Marine Restoration Society FB page, or you can mail a donation to

The Marine Restoration Society
PO Box 131
Marine on St. Croix, MN 55047

4th of July Running Race (see page 5)
Have you noticed?

Have you seen Marine’s new gravel bed at the SW corner of the elementary school building? It has been planted with fifteen young Kentucky coffeetrees. A gravel bed is an irrigated bed of gravel used to grow bare root trees over the summer. During this time, they will dramatically increase fibrous root volume. The above ground portion of the tree will not grow any faster than normal, but the new roots will decrease transplant shock and increasing survivability when the trees are planted in our urban forest this fall. In case you are wondering Kentucky coffeetree is a “climate adapted” specie selected in anticipation of potential changes in growing condition we may see in the future.

Have you seen the new “Tree City USA” signs at entrances to Marine on State highway 95 and County Roads 4 and 7? This designation was awarded by the Arbor Day Foundation in recognition of the work by volunteers over the last few year to fulfill the requirements of that program. This included updating Chapter 16 of the City Code to serve as our urban forestry ordinance, conducting an inventory, and creating a urban forest management plan. Tree City USA also requires a community to host an Arbor Day celebration and spend at least $2 per capita on trees and related green infrastructure, a requirement which Marine already had met. The final requirement is that a community have a “tree board”. This requirement was met by recognizing the work of the initial task force. Our newly established Forestry Advisory Committee will fulfill this requirement moving forward and will be responsible for maintain our status as Minnesota’s newest Tree City USA.

If you are interested in getting involved please contact John Goodfellow (jwgoodfellow@msn.com)

Marine’s MN GreenStep Cities committee is made up of residents working to advance our community’s sustainability and quality-of-life.

Our current main focus is to support the City and Village Center Task Force in ensuring that the design for the Village Center Revitalization Project (the rebuilding of our Marine’s downtown streets) includes residents’ vision for green infrastructure – less pavement, improved stormwater management, pedestrian and bike friendly streets and sidewalks, EV chargers, and trees. Other areas of interest include renewable energy, backyard composting, road salt, energy efficiency and urban trees.

We invite you to get involved! For more information, contact: Anne Reich, reichmn@gmail.com.

For information on MN GreenStep Cities Best Practices, go to: https://greenstep.pca.state.mn.us/index.php/best-practices
**Planning Commission Update**

The Planning Commission has been working on the topic of Short-Term Rentals and would like your input.

There will be a PowerPoint presentation at the next Planning Commission meeting (June 25th). Resident attendance and input is welcome and encouraged.

A short survey will also be sent out with your next utility billing.

If you would like to email your thoughts, email them to mosc@cityofmarine.org

**NEW MEMBERS:**
Ed Sanderson (term ending December 31, 2020)
Jennifer Henry (term ending December 31, 2019)

**School Property Update**

As noted in the last Newsletter, River Grove School has been notified by their charter school authorizer that they need to remain at their current location at the Wilder facility for another 3.5 years. A copy of this letter was mailed to City of Marine residents and is available on the City's website.

Given the now longer time frame, the City held a public meeting on April 27 to consider additional, alternative uses for the Marine Elementary building and property. Please stay tuned for future public meetings to be announced at a later date.

**Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) - Village Center Revitalization Project**

Project Management Team (PMT) Meeting #1 for the Village Center Revitalization Project was held on April 11th, PMT Meeting #2 was held on May 9th, and PMT Meeting #3 was held on June 13th.

The project has developed preliminary concepts based project requirements and feedback from PMT members, Watershed District, and City Staff. Associated concepts elevation reviews have been completed, which will allow further analysis and discussion on stormwater and preliminary construction cost estimates.

Public Open House dates will be discussed at the next PMT meeting along with the City Council, but are anticipated to be held in late July or early August.

Full project description (application to MNDOT) is available to view at the City office during regular office hours, or online at https://www.marineonstcroix.org/construction
Marine Mill Site News

Marine Mill Site is a great place to explore Marine’s history and enjoy a view of the river from the new overlook deck. Now you can even relax on new white pine benches, built by Mike Tibbetts. In May, volunteers did spring maintenance, including planting new shrubs and trees and readjusting or removing deer cages (the trees are getting big!).

Recently, volunteers teamed up to haul wooden walkways on the River Trail back into place after they floated off in the high water.

You’re invited to join in on the fun! To find out more about Mill Site Committee activities, contact: Jim Schoeller, jrschoeller@gmail.com or Anne Reich, reichmn@gmail.com.

Stone House Museum

Open Saturdays & Sundays 1 – 4 pm
Through Labor Day
Located on 5th Street just a couple houses north of Christ Lutheran Church

Volunteers are always needed and welcome!
Contact the City if you are interested.

email museumstonehouse@gmail.com

Public Alert System

The City of Marine has new software for Public Alerts; these alerts can be Emergency Alerts, Notification Alerts or Informational Alerts. This uses the billing database to provide information to our Alert systems; and the data is protected for security. You have the ability to login and edit your information to be notified of an alert. Simply go to www.public-alert.com and click ‘Email Form for Residential Info’.

Alternatively, send the information below to the City and we will get you registered.

PHONE # _________ - _________ - _________
CELL #___________ - _________ - _________
Summer is a busy time at Marine Community Library. Do you like art, or science, or local storytelling, or reading, or games? Then we’ve got great summer kids' and adult programs for you! For details, go to our website: [http://marinecommunitylibrary.org/calendar/](http://marinecommunitylibrary.org/calendar/), where you also can sign up to receive e-mails about upcoming events.

Marine Library is a great place to meet new people and give back to the community through volunteering. Opportunities include:
- **Tech**—help set up AV equipment for evening programs
- **PR**—help draft content for programs and post via media platforms
- **Library Volunteer**—staff the library during open hours

Just contact us at: [info@marinecommunitylibrary.org](mailto:info@marinecommunitylibrary.org) and we'll get back in touch to answer your questions and help you participate!

### Upcoming Events

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121 Judd Street  P.O. Box 250
Marine on St. Croix, MN 55047

We’re on the web
www.marineonstcroix.org

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☆ 4th of July activities, 2019 Marine Art Fair and other events can be found at www.marineonstcroix.org

2019 City Council, Planning Commission and Staff
Office hours
Monday - Thursday 8:00am-4:30pm  Friday 8:00AM - 12:00PM

City Council
Mayor Glen Mills 433-5879
Lon Pardun 433-2130
Bill Miller 433-5354
Charlie Anderson 651-592-9449
Gwen Roden 651-433-2908

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

City Staff
Lynette Peterson, City Clerk/Treasurer
Kiersten Northcraft, Assistant City Clerk
Jason Crotty, Public Works 651-675-6493
Tom Boesel, Public Works
Maintenance Shop 651-433-5492

Planning Commission
Chairman Gerry Mrosla
Ron Brenner  Kristina Smitten
Anna Hagstrom  Scott Spisak
Ed Sanderson  Jennifer Henry

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7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall.