May 2018

Sibley County Community Development

May is Mental Health Month

Upcoming events:

May 16th –
County Connection Clubhouse Open House from 11 am to 2 pm.

May 19th –
7th Annual Cancer Cruise, 5K Run/Walk and a Car Show and Cruise. All proceeds will be donated to Jeff Larson of Henderson.

May 22nd –
Start of the Classic Car Roll-Ins in Henderson.

June 18th –
Beginning of Arlington Farmer’s Market.

June 21st –
Team Gibbon’s Walk to End Alzheimer’s Bingo Event at the Gibbon Community Center, 6 pm

June 26th –
Glen Campbell: I’ll Be Me at the Gibbon Community Center, 2 pm

Please see the Things To Do section of the Sibley County website for details on events
Coming soon to the Green Isle Community School –

Clover Kids Child Care Center!

The Green Isle Community School has begun the process to open a licensed daycare center starting in early Fall 2018.

This daycare will follow the current climate of Green Isle Community School to provide a nurturing environment that promotes social, emotional, physical, cognitive and language growth. The license will be for 8 infants (6 weeks-16 months), 14 toddlers (16 months-3 years) and 20 preschool age (3 years-5 years).

The program will be open year round, Monday – Friday 6 am-6 pm.

Join the waitlist at http://greenislecommunityschool.org/preschoolclover_kids.aspx or call 507-326-7144 for more information.

May is Mental Health month and to raise awareness, the County Connection Clubhouse is hosting an open house on May 16th from 11 am to 2 pm. Come over to 212 3rd Street in Gaylord for Chili Dogs and to find out more information. See you Wednesday the 16th!

May is Mental Health Month

Take a ride on over to the County Connection Clubhouse

Open House

We will be serving Chili Dogs with sides, as well as providing information regarding Mental Health.

Where: 212 3rd Street
Gaylord MN 55334
When: May 16, 2018
11:00 am to 2:00 pm

All are welcome.
We hope to see you there!

* Hosted by the Sibley County Adult Mental Health Local Advisory Council

Choose Arlington

That is the name of the group that will be exploring ways to attract and retain new residents to the community through the Marketing Hometown America Program.

Through this program the City of Arlington, the Arlington EDA, the Arlington Chamber, and Arlington Industries are working with the University of Minnesota Extension to show that the quality of life that Arlington provides can be marketed to families looking to relocate.

Facilitators will lead small groups of 8 to 10 people through study circles to foster conversations about the community and why they live there, discover why new residents would want to live there, what makes Arlington unique, healthy and welcoming, and what the City can do to build the kind of community that is welcoming and attractive.

If you would like to be a facilitator or join a study circle please contact Amy Newsom at 507-479-3218 or AmyN@co.sibley.mn.us.
The Sibley County Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) is a multi-year guide to the construction and/or improvement of county roads and facilities and the acquisition of capital equipment. Through the process of preparing and updating a capital improvements plan, the county meets the need for orderly maintenance of the physical assets of the county. This CIP is intended to serve as a planning tool and is structured to present a meaningful long-range perspective of the county's long-range capital needs. Each year, the County Board reviews the 5-year plan and makes adjustments based on need and resources. As part of this annual process, the amount of capital reserve funds is also reviewed and adjusted as needed.

Capital facilities and infrastructure are important legacies that serve current and future generations. It is extremely difficult to address the current and long-term needs of our residents without a sound multi-year capital plan. Infrastructure, technology, facilities and major equipment are the physical foundation for providing services to constituents. The procurement, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of capital assets require careful planning. The Capital Improvement Program is a flexible plan for long-range capital project scheduling and financial projections. Capital planning is one of the fundamental building blocks of the overall budget because capital plans serve as an important tool allowing us to match cash flows to meet the desired level of capital improvements, as well as providing information to schedule capital projects that conform to cash flow constraints, maximize investment yields through thoughtful bond planning, or to establish the required levels and the most economical source of project funding. Capital plans also help to establish a guide for making capital investment decisions logically and in a deliberate fashion.

Most CIP regular projects are repair/replacement and maintenance projects. Typical capital projects include snow plow truck purchases, building updates and new technology or software. These projects should help improve operating efficiencies and offset increased costs for operations and repairs. By continuing an ongoing equipment replacement schedule, departmental operating budgets will not need to fund replacement of this equipment. Replacing equipment on a scheduled basis also results in reduced maintenance costs of the old equipment and can provide enhanced performance due to new equipment technology. Completion of scheduled building maintenance improvements and updates will extend the lives of the buildings. Providing funds for building improvements annually will enable capital improvements to be scheduled as needed, over time, rather than waiting for an emergency situation which will cost more to correct. Capital plans are funded in a variety of ways, including operating budgets, tax funds, and special funds, but are primarily funded using existing or planned capital reserve funds. Overall, the goal is to use the most cost-effective source of revenue for every project while still funding the plan.
There are always more events happening in Sibley County than we can fit into the newsletter, so make sure you look at the “THINGS TO DO” section of the Sibley County website and like the Sibley County Facebook page.

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