



CORINNA TOWNSHIP NEWS

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Office hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Township Board:

John Dearing, Chair

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Chuck Carlson, Supervisor

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P&Z Commission:

Charlotte Quiggle, Chair

Larry Smith

Lee Parks

Patricia Taylor

Larry Thompson

Barry Schultz and Jeff Lundquist, Alternates

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ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION, TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015

One Township Supervisor will be elected for a three-year term. John Dearing is the only candidate who has filed for this position. Polls will be open from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall located at 9801 Ireland Avenue NW. The Annual Meeting will begin at 8:15 PM after the polls close. The agenda items for the Annual Meeting are:

1. Report from Township Board on completed projects for 2014, projects for 2015 and projects proposed for 2016.
2. Report on Township Planning and Zoning.
3. Presentation of proposed 2016 budget. (Only in township government do the citizens who attend the Annual Meeting approve or amend the budget.)

ABSENTEE VOTING

If you will be absent from your polling place, are ill, or you have a disability, you may obtain an Absentee Ballot. Complete the Absentee Ballot Application on website www.sos.state.mn.us and send it to the Wright County Auditor Treasurer's Office-Elections or call the Wright County Auditor Treasurer at 1-800-362-3667 to request an Absentee Ballot Application.

REMINDER: SNOWFALL PARKING IS NOT ALLOWED ON TOWNSHIP ROADS

Grading and plowing equipment need to maintain the entire road surface. **Also - it is illegal to push snow across public roads.** Snow must be placed on private property. A copy of the Ordinance is available at the Corinna Township Hall or at www.corinnatownship.com. Thank you for your cooperation!

ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

No person may place, maintain, or allow any obstruction in a right-of-way. Items prohibited include, but are not limited to, retaining walls, fences, posts, structures, piled materials, hay bales, vehicles, trailers, campers, boats, pontoons, docks, boat houses, fish houses, equipment, junk, or any other items that interfere with the safe use or maintenance of the right-of-way. No person shall plant crops, trees, bushes, or shrubs within a right-of-way. No person may place watering systems or sprinkler heads within a right-of-way. A copy of the Ordinance is available at the Corinna Township Hall or at www.corinnatownship.com.

BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION

The Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 3:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall. If you have concerns about the assessed value placed on your property, please set up an appointment to attend by calling 320-274-8049. If you have questions, contact Ken Yager, the Township Assessor, at 320-963-6219. He may be able to answer your questions about the value assessed and give you suggestions to bring to the Board for review.

TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

Town Board Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall.

CORINNA TOWNSHIP PLANNING AND ZONING

The Township Planning Commission meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall. (The March meeting will be Wed., March 15, due to the Township Annual Meeting.) Ben Oleson of Hometown Planning is the Township Planning and Zoning Administrator. He may be reached at 888-439-9793 or oleson@hometownplanning.com.

BUILDING, SEWER, LAND USE and ZONING PERMITS

Building permits, sewer permits, land use applications and zoning applications may be obtained at the Corinna Township Hall or at www.hometownplanning.com. Office hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. You may drop off completed applications and/or plans in the drop box after hours. All permit applications are to be dropped off at the Corinna Town Hall – whether related to building code, sewer permits or land use. All permits are to be paid for and picked up at the Corinna Town Hall.

MAILBOX REMINDER

Please make sure your mailbox post is in good condition. Check to see that it is firmly in the ground. Pressure from plowed snow can knock over a rotted mailbox post. Mailboxes should be set 42” to 44” above the ground. Mailboxes will only be repaired or replaced if the mailbox support was damaged by a direct hit from township equipment. Mailbox supports (swing-away type) are available for purchase from the township.

TOWNSHIP PROPERTY

Removal of black dirt, gravel, sand and/or salt from the Corinna Town Hall property is prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted.

COMPOST, WOOD CHIPS AND FIREWOOD

Compost, wood chips and firewood are available for residents to take from the piles on the Corinna Town Hall property.

EMERALD ASH BORER / CORINNA TOWNSHIP BRUSH PILE

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture has notified Corinna Township that we may NOT allow dumping of ash tree material in our brush pile at the Corinna Township Hall. This is to help slow the spread of Emerald Ash Borer. Thank you for your cooperation!

JUNK AMNESTY DAY

Junk Amnesty Day will be held Saturday, July 25, 2015, from 7:30 AM to noon, at the Corinna Township Hall. You will receive a newsletter in July giving you more details about Junk Amnesty Day.

RECYCLING - PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

Corinna Township has beautiful natural features such as wetlands, lakes, wooded areas, wildlife and rolling topography. We ask that everyone help protect this resource by participating in the monthly recycling program that the township offers. If you need recycling bins, call the Corinna Township Hall at 320-274-8049. Curbside recycling pick up times are:



Please clip-and-save the pick-up schedule.

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Recycling Pick-Up	<u>Last Friday of Month:</u> <u>South of County Road 39</u>	<u>Last Saturday of the Month:</u> <u>North of County Road 39</u>
	February 27	February 28
	March 27	March 28

Corinna Township was recently notified that Randy's Environmental Services has acquired Wright Recycling. We will notify township residents of recycling plans and procedures beginning in April, 2015 when they are known. Please check our website for updates. We will send a notice by mail when we have a new recycling contract beginning in April, 2015. Recycling will be picked up in February and March, as in the past.

Guidelines for Recycling:

Cans, mixed glass and plastic may be combined.

Cans: Aluminum and tin cans, including the lids. All cans must be rinsed and labels on tin cans removed.

Glass: All glass food and beverage containers. All glass containers must be rinsed and lids or covers should be removed. Labels may be left on glass jars.

Unacceptable glass items: Broken glass, light bulbs, windows, dishes, drinking glasses and lids.

Plastic: All plastic bottles with necks accepted. All plastic containers must be rinsed thoroughly and caps removed. Labels may be left on.

Unacceptable plastic items: Yogurt, pudding and fruit cups, produce or deli take out containers, toys and automotive fluid containers.

Paper: All newspapers (including the inserts), magazines, phone books, and any junk mail. Make certain it is kept clean and dry. All paper must be separated from other recyclables and placed in paper bags.

Cardboard: All cardboard must be broken down flat and bundled. This includes cereal boxes, flattened and plastic bag removed. Please place in a paper bag or bundle. Maximum length and width should not exceed 3 feet.

Please have your recycling bins at the curb by 6:30 AM. For additional information, please check our website: www.corinnatownship.com. Township General Funds are used to pay for the cost of this service.

BURNING PERMITS AND FIRE WARDEN CONTACTS

Burning Permits: Burning permits are required for open burning unless there is three inches of snow cover.

Burning the following items is strictly prohibited:



- Hazardous wastes, industrial solid waste
- Demolition debris of commercial or institutional structures. (A farm building is not a commercial structure.) Burning of any structure should be referred to a forest officer.
- Salvage operations
- Motor vehicles
- Oils
- Rubber
- Plastics
- Chemically-treated materials
- Other materials which produce excessive or noxious smoke, such as, but not limited to: tires, railroad ties, chemically-treated lumber, composite board, sheet rock, wiring, paint, paint filters, mattresses, stuffed furniture
- Garbage, defined as discarded material resulting from the handling, processing, storage, preparation, serving, or consumption of food
- It is **never** permissible to burn household garbage.

Permits may be obtained online from the MN Department of Natural Resources (DNR) at www.dnr.state.mn.us or from Corinna Township Fire Wardens:

Annandale City Hall, 320-274-3055

FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Maple Lake Fire Department serves all parts of Corinna Township that are east of a north-south line dividing Cedar Lake.

Annandale Fire Department serves all parts of Corinna Township west of the north-south line dividing Cedar Lake.

DOGS

Sue Eaton is the Corinna Township Animal Control Officer. Most of her activities deal with lost or stray animals. If you have a problem with a stray animal, **contact Animal Control Officer Sue Eaton at 612-366-4370. Impounded animals are taken to the Annandale Veterinary Clinic – phone 320-274-3535.**

DANGEROUS AND POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS DOGS

On Jan. 19, 2010 Wright County adopted an Ordinance for Dangerous and Potentially Dangerous Dogs. The purpose of the Ordinance is to protect the public from such dogs and to reduce the threat to the health and safety of people and other animals that may come into contact with such dogs. A copy of the Ordinance is available at the Corinna Township Hall or at www.corinnatownship.com.

911 SIGNS

If your sign is missing, call the Corinna Township Hall at 320-274-8049 for a replacement sign.

NORTH CORINNA CEMETERY

Cemetery plots are available for \$600. Please contact the township clerk for more information.