

CORINNA TOWNSHIP NEWS 9801 Ireland Avenue NW Annandale, Minnesota February 2020 Phone: 320-274-8049 E-Mail: clerk@corinnatownship.com

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#### **Township Board:**

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# Urgent Winter Bulletin

We need your help with snow plowing.

Our crews try to plow our roads as quickly and as often as possible. You can help. Anything parked in the right-of-way - cars, trucks, snowmobiles, docks, boats, RV's - slows down the plows and is a hazard to our drivers and equipment.

Corinna Township has an ordinance explaining what is allowed and what is not. In extreme cases, a violator may have their property removed or towed and a ticket issued. The Town Board hopes everyone will voluntarily comply with the rules.

Please help us keep the roads open and safe for you, school buses, first responders, and our drivers.

# WINTER PARKING IN TRAVELED PORTION OF ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

No person shall park any vehicle, motorized or non-motorized, within any part of the traveled portion of a Road Right-of-Way during the hours of 12:00 midnight through 7:00 a.m. between November 1 and April 1.

# SNOWFALL PARKING IN TRAVELED PORTION OF ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

No person shall park any vehicle, motorized or non-motorized, within any part of the traveled portion of a Road Right-of-Way at any time during or after a snowfall until the entire traveled portion of the Right-of-Way is plowed to its customary width. Also - it is illegal to push snow across public roads. Snow must be placed on private property.

# **ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY**

No person shall place, maintain, or allow any obstruction in a Right-of-Way. Prohibited items 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 one may plant crops, trees, bushes, or shrubs within a right-of-way. No one may place watering systems or sprinkler heads within a right-of-way.

# 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 and if the mailbox support meets the township's standards. Mailbox supports (swing-away type) are available for purchase (and installation) from the township.

#### PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION PRIMARY ELECTION, TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020

In 2016 MN State legislation was passed establishing a Presidential Nomination Primary to vote for each major party's nominee for President of the US. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall located at 9801 Ireland Avenue NW. Only two major political parties will participate – the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party and The Republican Party; each party has its own ballot with only their candidates listed. <u>You will be required to request only one party's ballot when you vote, whether absentee or in-person at your polling place.</u> Your ballot will only list nominees for President for the party you requested. A record of which party's ballot you selected will be made available to the major political parties.

#### ABSENTEE VOTING FOR PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION PRIMARY ELECTION

Absentee voting for the Presidential Nomination Primary Election begins January 17, 2020 and ends Monday, March 2 at 5:00 PM. Voters must include their major political party choice on their absentee application. You may vote by absentee ballot by completing the absentee ballot application on website <u>www.sos.state.mn.us</u> and sending it to the Wright County Auditor Treasurer's Office-Elections; or by calling the Wright County Auditor Treasurer at 1-800-362-3667 to request an absentee ballot application; or you may vote in person at the Wright County Courthouse.

# ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION, TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020

One Township Supervisor will be elected for a three-year term. Chuck Carlson 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 include:

- 1. Report from Township Board on completed projects for 2019, projects for 2020 and projects proposed for 2021.
- 2. Presentation of proposed 2021 budget.

#### ABSENTEE VOTING FOR TOWNSHIP ELECTION

You may vote by absentee ballot by completing the absentee ballot application on website <u>www.sos.state.mn.us</u> and sending it to the Wright County Auditor Treasurer's Office-Elections; or by calling the Wright County Auditor Treasurer at 1-800-362-3667 to request an absentee ballot application; or you may vote in person at the Wright County Courthouse. Absentee voting begins Friday, February 7 and ends Monday, March 9 at 5 p.m.

#### **BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION**

The Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 4:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall. If you have concerns about the assessed value placed on your property, please 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall.

# CORINNA TOWNSHIP PLANNING AND ZONING

The Township Planning Commission meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall. Ben Oleson of Hometown Planning is the Township P&Z Administrator. He may be reached at 888-439-9793 or <u>oleson@hometownplanning.com</u>.

# **BUILDING, SEWER, LAND USE and ZONING PERMITS**

Building permits, sewer permits, land use applications and zoning applications are available at the Corinna Township Hall or at <u>www.hometownplanning.com</u>. You may drop off completed applications or plans in the drop box after hours. Please bring these permit applications to the Corinna Town Hall.

### **TOWNSHIP ROAD SUPPLIES**

Please do not remove black dirt, sand, gravel or salt from the Corinna Town Hall property. Violators will be prosecuted.

### JUNK CLEAN-UP DAY

Junk Clean–Up Day will be held Saturday, July 25, 2020, from 7:30 AM to noon, at the Corinna Township Hall. You will receive a newsletter in July giving you more details about Junk Clean-Up Day.

#### **BURNING PERMITS AND FIRE WARDEN CONTACTS**

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

#### Burning the following items is 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 the Corinna Town Hall.

#### DOGS

Krista Grossinger 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 Krista Grossinger at 320-420-5888. Impounded animals are taken to the Annandale Veterinary Clinic – phone 320-274-3535.

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.



# **RECYCLING – NOW SINGLE SORT**

The following are recyclable: aluminum beverage cans; metal food cans; glass bottles and jars (all colors); plastic containers and lids (#1-7); cartons – milk, soup, broth, wine, juice boxes; newspaper; cardboard; boxboard (cereal, cracker, shoe boxes); mixed mail (magazines, office paper, envelopes). Please have your recycling bins at the curb by 6:00 AM. For additional information, please check our website: <u>www.corinnatownship.com</u>. Township General Funds are used to pay for the cost of this service.

# <u>Place your carts at the end of your driveway, not on the road, when</u> <u>it is snowing. It is difficult for snow plow drivers to avoid carts. The</u> <u>recycling truck's arm reaches 6 feet.</u>

# **2020 Recycling Calendar**

Fridays, February 7 & 21 Fridays, March 6 & 20 Fridays, April 3 & 17 Fridays, May 1 & 15, and Saturday, May 30 Fridays, June 12 & 26 Fridays, July 10 & 24 Fridays, August 7 & 21 Fridays, September 4 &18 Fridays, October 2, 16 & 30 Friday, November 13, and Saturday, November 28 Friday, December 11, & Saturday, December 26

Recycling Service is provided by Randy's Sanitation and Recycling, 763-972-3335.