CORINNA TOWNSHIP NEWS



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

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2023 Meetings

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION, TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023

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:

**Report from Township Board on completed projects for 2022, projects for 2023, projects proposed for 2024 & presentation of proposed 2024 budget.

ABSENTEE VOTING FOR TOWNSHIP ELECTION

Absentee Ballots will be available beginning Friday, February 10, 2023, at the Wright County Government Center, 3650 Braddock Ave. NE, Suite 1400, Buffalo, MN. Hours for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call Wright County at 1-763-682-7692 to apply for absentee ballots. The Wright County Government Center will also be open for acceptance of absentee ballot applications and casting of absentee ballots from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 11, 2023 and on Monday, March 13, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Requests for mailed absentee ballots will also be accepted. The Wright County Government Center will be closed on Monday, February 20 for President's Day.

BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION

The Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 3:00 PM at the Corinna Township Hall. If you have concerns about the assessed value placed on your property, please contact Steve Chmielewski, the Township Assessor, at 320-492-5654. 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 MEETINGS

The Township Planning Commission meets the 2nd 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 oleson@hometownplanning.com.

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 https://www.hometownplanning.com/corinna-township-permit-applications.html. You may drop off completed applications or plans in the drop box after hours. Please bring these permit applications to the Corinna Town Hall or apply via the Corinna Township website.

Winter/Snow Update

As a reminder, State Law prohibits plowing snow onto or **ACROSS** a public road and/or leaving snow piles on the road right of way. Please push snow piles back so they do not cause an accident or equipment damage as you may be held liable. 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.

- *On service days, place garbage and recycling bins at least 4 feet from the shoulder of the road to avoid being hit by snowplow and grader equipment.
- *On non-service days, do not leave your garbage or recycling bins on the side of the road.
- *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.

VACATION RENTAL REGISTRATION/PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS

The vacation rental regulations first adopted in May 2020 and which became fully effective on January 1, 2021. After a year to gain some experience with the new regulations, the Township has adopted several amendments to the vacation rental ordinance and the new language was adopted in February 2022. Annual vacation rental registration forms are needed for all vacation rentals. You may view the latest Ordinance & download a copy of the annual registration form at: https://www.hometownplanning.com/corinna-township.html.

JUNK CLEAN-UP DAY

Junk Clean–Up Day will be held Saturday, July 29, 2023, 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.

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 45" from road surface to the bottom of the mailbox or point of mail entry. 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.

TOWNSHIP ROAD SUPPLIES

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

BRUSH & COMPOST

Reminder that the brush & compost piles are for Corinna Township residents only and that the gate is now in operation. If you do not have your code please contact the Township office.

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.

BURNING PERMITS AND FIRE WARDEN CONTACTS



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

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

Tim Dahl is the new Wright County Animal Control Officer. You may contact him at wrightcountydangerousdog@co.wright.mn.us or at 763-684-8643.



RECYCLING SERVICE QUESTIONS 763-972-3335

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: www.corinnatownship.com.

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

Pick up days are shown below in blue.

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