

NEWFOLDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NEW PUMPER TRUCK

The Newfolden Fire Department is a collaborative which includes the City of Newfolden, and the Townships of Marsh Grove, West Valley, New Folden, Foldahl, and New Maine. This partnership works to ensure we have a team of trained, qualified, and equipped individuals ready to respond to any emergency in our greater community. Ensuring readiness requires an investment in training and equipment; which can be a delicate balance between equipment maintenance, upgrades, and replacement decision-making.

The new Pumper truck replaces a 1999 International Fire Truck as the department's primary rig. The International truck will now serve as the department's back-up vehicle, retiring a 43 year old Chevy Fire truck.



The new truck is the result of committee meetings, need assessments, cost estimates, and brainstorming over the past three years; it was purchased with a combination grant and low-interest loan with the United States Department of Agriculture. Annual payments will be divided between the collaborative for the proceeding 10 years. Thank you to the partnering Townships, Chief Cody Underdahl and the volunteer firefighters who work tirelessly to ensure our communities safety!

THANK YOU COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

The holidays and winter seasons are upon us. How lucky Newfolden is to have the talents and generosity of this amazing group of women! The work starts in the woods; harvesting and gathering boughs of fir trees, junipers, red willows, fern seeds, and white birch. These are trimmed and arranged to adorn



Newfolden's downtown streetlights and community center. These amazing women donated and volunteered the supplies and equipment. Thank you to Mary Anderson, Marlene Taggart, Marsha Anderson, Carol Peterson, Barb Ekman, Cheryl Nelson, Diane Rokke, and Leola Engelsrud. We are so grateful for you and the beautiful addition to our town this holiday season!





SNOW, LEAVES AND GRASS ON PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAYS

The placement of snow, leaves, and/or grass in public right of ways can be quite dangerous to pedestrians and motorcyclists. MN Statute 169.42 states: no person shall throw, deposit, place, or dump, or cause to be thrown, deposited, placed, or dumped upon any street or highway or upon any public or privately owned land adjacent thereto without the owner's consent. This includes all debris of any form or matter, or other substance likely to injure any person, animal, or vehicle upon any such public street or highway.



WINTER LESSONS: HOW TO WALK ON ICE I Normally, when we walk, our legs' ability to support our weight is split mid-stride. Walking this way on ice forces each leg to support the weight of the body at an angle that is not perpendicular to the surface of the ice, resulting in a nasty fall. One animal that has figured this out is a penguin. Think of yourself as a penguin and you'll be all right. WRONG WAY

Winter-time Sledding at the City Park

The Newfolden City Park hosts many memories for residents of Newfolden young and old. One memory frequently told by the not-so-young is one of sledding on the snow in the Newfolden City Park...

Sledding will once again be available at the City Park—along with the opportunity to create more childhood and family memories. The City will make every effort to clear snow in the city park, while users are asked to abide by the following rules: **1. HAVE FUN**

- 2. Slide only in designated areas.
- 3. Walk up on the side of the hill, avoiding sledding paths.
- 4. Helmets are recommended.
- 5. No motorized vehicles on the sledding hill.