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NEWFOLDEN CITY SCENE



Newfolden Fire Department Training
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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Railroad Bridge

A ribbon cutting ceremony for Phase One of the Newfolden Floodplain Mitigation Project was held on June 15. Representatives from across the state were present to celebrate the construction of the Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railroad Bridge. This is step 1 of removing all of Newfolden from the 100 year floodplain. The group of stakeholders present were provided a tour of Phase 2 of the project, a water impoundment site located just North of Newfolden. Speakers provided a timeline of the project and expressed appreciation for the teamwork of many organizations: Middle Snake Tamarac Rivers Watershed District, Red River Watershed Board, Minnesota Department of Transportation, HDR Engineering, regional legislators, and many more.

It is expected that Newfolden will officially be removed from the floodplain within the next several months.



2022 Estimates
State Demographic
Center
Population – 358
Household - 158

TRI-COMMUNITY EMS OFFERS EMR / EMT CLASSES IN AUGUST

Tri-community Emergency Medical Services is looking for individuals interested in serving their community as an Emergency Medical Responder and Emergency Medical Technician.

Training is provided and a new class is scheduled to begin at the end of August. If you are interested or know someone who is please don't hesitate. Call **Dee** at **218-689-1981** for more information or to reserve you place in the next class!

COMMUNITY DIGITAL LED SIGN

The Newfolden Community Message Center is another option to connect with your community. The message board can be used to communicate City government news, programs, meetings, public safety, traffic control issues, advisories, and community events. Non-profit organizations, school, and churches may utilize this signage at no charge.

For-profit organizations, private parties, or business advertisements may submit a message request at a fee of \$10.00 (includes up to three weeks). Sign policy may require that some message content may be restricted. Contact the Newfolden City Office you would like more information at 874-7135 or newfolden@wiktel.com.

TAKING CARE OF NEWFOLDEN CITY PARKS

If you are hosting an event in the picnic shelter, please remember to bring a table for your crock pots and other items that may need to be plugged in. We ask that the picnic tables are not moved for this purpose. The heat of these appliances has started to show its effect on the table surfaces. The tables are very difficult to move and need to stay where they are seated. Remember to discard and clean up food and other debris to keep the critters away from this area and fun for the next visitors! **Thank you for your help and cooperation!**

PET ETIQUETTE AND PET ORDINANCE REMINDERS

Several complaints, regarding dogs and cats, come into the City office and the Marshall County Sheriff's Department throughout the year. These are the most common complaints.

If you are a pet owner, please remember these courtesies:

1. When walking your dog, bring along a rag and a bag to clean up any poo that your pet generates. Allowing a pet to 'go' freely on other people's property is a common complaint. **Pet Bag Stations are now available along East First Street and in the Stan Holmaas City Park.**
2. Dogs should be under the direct control of their owner at all times. If they do not obey commands, they should be leashed. Pets are not be allowed to run-at-large.
3. Frequent complaint are dogs who bark in a continuous manner. This is against city statutes after 10:00 PM. Please have your pets vaccinated annually.



MINNESOTA LEAD AND COPPER RULE – GET HELP REPLACING YOUR LEAD PIPING!

The Lead and Copper Rule is designed to protect children and families from exposure to lead in drinking water.

The State of Minnesota is working with municipalities to gather information relevant to the Lead and Copper Rule. The Lead and Copper Rule requires that community water systems test for lead in drinking water. The rule uses science-based testing protocols to help identify other potential sources of lead in drinking water.

Many homes and businesses across the United States have service lines made of lead; a toxic metal that is especially dangerous to young developing brains. The only long-term solution to protect public health is to remove these lead pipes and replace them with updated copper or plastic piping. Congress banned the use of lead pipes in 1986 but did allow those already in the ground to remain.

The new rule requires that water systems identify the locations of lead service-lines. This will help establish a trigger level to jumpstart mitigation earlier and drive more and complete lead service-line replacement programs.

To determine what your service-line is made of, homeowners can check at the location of their water meter. The line coming in from outside the home and attached to the water meter, is the service-line in question. It will be comprised of copper, plastic, or a lead/metal material. We are asking homeowners to help us inventory the service lines within the City of Newfolden. Those with lead service lines may be eligible for financial assistance.

We are asking all property owners to complete the survey below and return to the City of Newfolden.

The survey can be returned with your monthly utility payment.

WATER SERVICE LINE SURVEY

Property Owner: _____ Physical Address: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

DATE: _____ THE WATER SERVICE LINE AT THIS LOCATION IS (PLEASE CHOOSE ONE):

COPPER PLASTIC LEAD

OTHER: _____

