

Newfolden

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City Scene

NEW CITY WEBSITE: WWW.NEWFOLDENMN.GOV

Effective immediately, the City of Newfolden is launching a new website and announces a new web address.

www.newfoldenmn.gov

In 2023, we were notified that our existing web-hosting service was increasing in price. The new rate would have amounted to a 400% increase. Additionally, we learned that our old domain name, was not owned by the City. This created other problems that needed to be addressed.

The new domain name is owned by the City of Newfolden, and as a Municipality, it is at no charge. The new web-hosting service is time-tested and a much more affordable option.

When you visit www.newfoldenmn.gov be sure to click the link: **Subscribe to Receive Email and Text Alert Notifications from The City of Newfolden.** This is located top and center of the home page. We are excited about this additional service where we are able to pass critical information onto residents and subscribers via email and text.



As always, you can access several items on the website: city council meeting minutes, ordinances, utility-service information such as current utility rates, automatic debit payments, and on-line payment instructions. Log-on for current events and important city-related messaging.

RESERVE YOUR SPACE IN THE NEWFOLDEN COMMUNITY GARDEN!



Gardening season is almost here and plots for garden beds are available at the Newfolden Community Garden! The garden has fourteen garden plots and two raised garden beds available. The raised beds are reserved for those who are elderly or handi-capable.

Tending a plot allows you to grow your own produce while helping to create a valuable neighborhood gathering space. Water will be available. Sponsors will provide premium soil, delineate the plots, and will also till the area for seeding.

Group, family, or individual gardeners are welcome.

2 New Community Garden Rules:

- 1. All plots will require a \$20 deposit. This should be paid when the water key is picked up and will be refunded, in full, when the water key is returned in the fall.**
- 2. Plots not planted by June 15th will be offered to the next party on the waiting list.**

Early Reservation or FMI: newfolden@wiktel.com * 218-874-7135

In Remembrance of Jerome Nelson



The City of Newfolden wanted to take this opportunity to extend our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Jerome Nelson.

Jerome served as the Director of Public Works for over 33 years. Jerome retired his position in 2017. However, he continued to serve the community of Newfolden in many ways.

Thank you for sharing your time with the City of Newfolden. You will be missed!



ARE YOU PREPARED FOR SPRING THAW?

A reminder that spring thaw, spring rain, and rising water tables may create a wetter than normal Spring!

IS YOUR SUMP PUMP DRAINING INTO THE SANITARY SEWER?

The City of Newfolden monitors and reports flows, discharge, and other testing of the wastewater pumped daily into Newfolden's sanitary sewer system. The sewer system is permitted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and is closely monitored. The City adopted a stricter ordinance to reduce the flow of clean water into the sanitary sewer system. If you would like a copy of the complete ordinance, contact the Newfolden City Office.

SUMMARY OF CITY OF NEWFOLDEN, MINNESOTA AN ORDINANCE FOR THE REDUCTION OF CLEAN WATER IN THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM WITHIN THE CITY OF NEWFOLDEN, MINNESOTA

This ordinance applies to the discharge of water from roof, surface, groundwater, sump pumps, footing tiles, swimming pools and other natural precipitation into the municipal sanitary sewer system. No person shall discharge any clear water into the sanitary sewer system, by any means, intentional or unintentional. All dwellings with a sump pump are required to have a permanently installed discharge line to either the outside of the structure or connected to the City storm-sewer system. Inspections for compliance will be conducted at regular intervals and may include, but not be limited to manual inspection of sump-pump discharge system, visualization of lateral service lines via camera and/or smoke testing. A monthly utility surcharge, determined annually, may be imposed if inspection is not allowed, if compliance cannot be verified, required corrections have not been made, and violations are determined.

The Electronic Message Board (EMB) is operated by the City of Newfolden. There is no cost to Non-profit organizations/events, churches, or school events! The EMB runs 24 hours a day, seven days a week and is visible to all downtown and US Highway 59 traffic.



All for-profit or private organizations can display a customized message, for a maximum of three weeks, at a small fee of \$10.00! Contact the City of Newfolden to acquire more information or to request an EMB message: newfolden@wiktel.com or 874-7135.

