



# COMMUNITYLINK NEWSLETTER

21 SE SECOND STREET—CHATFIELD, MN 55923

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## ELECTED OFFICIALS

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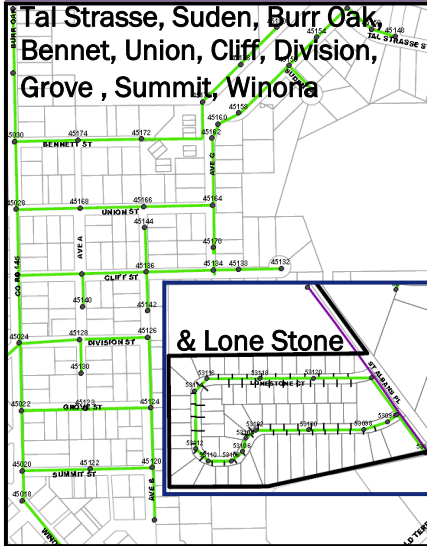
### COUNCIL MEMBERS

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councilorbroadwater@ci.chatfield.mn.us
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## ATTENTION PET OWNERS

City Ordinance  
Section 6-11  
Requires You to Clean  
Up After Your Pets  
Thank you—  
City of Chatfield

## SPRING SEWER LINE CLEANING (JETTING)



The Public works Department will be cleaning sewer lines during the month of April. A cleaning nozzle is propelled from one manhole to the next using water under high pressure. The nozzle is then pulled back to the starting manhole. As the nozzle is pulled back, water scours the inside of the sanitary sewer pipe. Any debris in the pipe is pulled back with the water. If roots are found, they are cut with a root cutter. This process is repeated on every sewer line cleaned.

During cleaning of sanitary sewer lines, air occasionally vents into a home through the sanitary sewer service line and ventilation system. When this happens, water in the toilet bowl can bubble or surge or, in rare instances, splash out of the bowl. We remind you that the water that could come from this type of incident is from the bowl itself.

The common causes of air venting into homes during sanitary sewer cleaning are: air movement from normal cleaning operations, the use of higher pressure needed when cleaning sanitary sewer lines that have a steep slope, sewer lines running close to the building, a plugged roof vent, and the size and complexity of the home's waste and ventilation system. To minimize the chance of water splashing out of your toilet bowl, please keep the lid down.

If you have any further questions, please contact the City of Chatfield, Wastewater Superintendent Steven Schlichter at (507) 867-4321.

## HYDRANT FLUSHING—THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF APRIL

The public works department will be flushing the fire hydrants. American Water Works Association (AWWA) and the Insurance Service Office (ISO) require hydrants to be flushed annually to make sure the hydrants are working properly and that leads, mains and dead end mains get flushed.

While the hydrants are being flushed, you may notice a brief change in water pressure and it may change the color of your water in your home. If this happens, let your water run until it's clear and clean the screens on your faucets as they may get plugged with particles from the mains.

The city crew uses this process as training for proper hydrant operation and to check for any maintenance issues that need attention. After each hydrant has been flushed the marking flags are removed.



## STREET SWEEPING

The city crew will begin sweeping streets the 1st week in April. Sweeping will continue until all streets are completed. Depending on the weather, this process takes approximately two weeks. In order to sweep the entire street, we need the streets to be clear of vehicles.

An alert will be distributed the day before sweeping takes place to ensure that vehicles are off the street. To register for the City's alert system, enroll by clicking [Citizen Alert System](#) in the News & Information section under Government.

Please remove vehicles from the city streets until your street has been completed. Thank you.

## CITY OF CHATFIELD

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21 Second Street SE Chatfield, MN 55923

Phone: 507-867-3810

Fax: 507-867-9093

In Case of Emergency:

9-1-1

Ambulance (Non Emergency)

507-867-4446


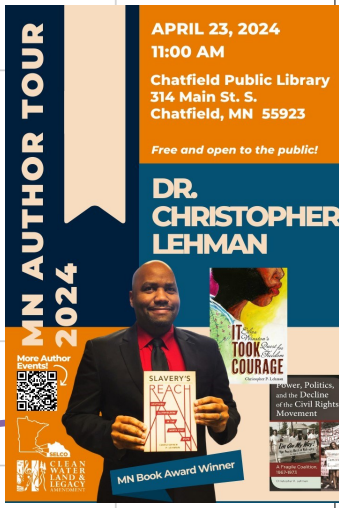

Police (Non Emergency)

507-867-3331

Chatfield Public Library

507-867-3480



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p><b>SPRING CITY-WIDE RESIDENTIAL CLEAN-UP BEGINS MONDAY, MAY 6TH.</b> More info. Coming soon!! <a href="http://www.ci.chatfield.mn.us">www.ci.chatfield.mn.us</a></p>	<p>1 7:00 PM <a href="#">Planning &amp; Zoning Commission Meeting</a></p>	<p>2 <a href="#">Recycling Collection</a></p>	<p>3 <a href="#">Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection</a></p>	<p>4 <a href="#">Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection</a>  5:00 PM <a href="#">Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting</a>  7:00 PM <a href="#">Library Board</a></p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
	<p>8 4:30 PM <a href="#">Personnel   Budget Committee Meeting</a>  5:30 PM <a href="#">Public Works Committee Meeting</a>  7:00 PM <a href="#">City Council Meeting</a></p>	<p>9 <a href="#">Recycling Collection</a></p>	<p>10 <a href="#">Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection</a>  6:30 PM <a href="#">Cable Access Board Meeting</a></p>	<p>11 <a href="#">Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection</a></p>	<p>12</p>	
<p>15</p>	<p>16 <a href="#">Recycling Collection</a></p>	<p>17 <a href="#">Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection</a></p>	<p>18 <a href="#">Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection</a></p>	<p>19</p>		
<p><b>SPRING LEAF PICK UP MON &amp; TUE, APRIL 29 &amp; 30</b></p> <p>The City of Chatfield will pick up your bagged leaves only. Just place them in bags, "leaf" them on the curbside and Public Works will haul them away at no charge. LEAVES MUST BE BAGGED, OR THEY WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.</p> 	<p>22 <a href="#">Utility Bills Due</a>  4:30 PM <a href="#">Economic Development Authority Board Meeting</a>  4:30 PM <a href="#">Public Services Committee Meeting</a>  5:30 PM <a href="#">Committee of the Whole</a>  7:00 PM <a href="#">City Council Meeting</a></p>	<p>23 <a href="#">Recycling Collection</a></p>	<p>24 <a href="#">Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection</a></p>	<p>25 <a href="#">Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection</a></p>	<p>26</p>	
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**MN AUTHOR TOUR 2024**

**APRIL 23, 2024 11:00 AM**  
Chatfield Public Library  
314 Main St. S.  
Chatfield, MN 55923  
*Free and open to the public!*

**DR. CHRISTOPHER LEHMAN**

More Author Events at [www.ci.chatfield.mn.us](#)

SLAVERY'S REACH  
IT TOOK COURAGE  
Power, Politics, and the Decline of the Civil Rights Movement

MN Book Award Winner



**CHATFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS**

Lamont Cranston Band April 6

Brad Boice :: April 13  
Music & Memories Unplugged

Lonely Knees Promo Party April 20

Bad Bad Hats, Cosmic Orphan, Kiss the Tiger :: April 27

Indie Rock x3

**BRUSH & LEAF DUMP**

The brush and leaf dump is open, and will be open as long as weather permits. Brush, Leaves, and Grss Clippings Only.  
West on Cty. 2 at the stoplights. First gravel road on the right after the Root River Bridge (Mind Drive). Gate on the Right.

**ANNUAL DISCLOSURE NOTICE: SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITES**

Wm. Hanson Waste Removal disposes residential and commercial waste at Fillmore County Resource Recovery Center, Olmsted County Waste Energy Facility, and LRS. Demolition and construction material is disposed of at Veit Disposal Systems and LRS. *Note: Residents may be responsible for any liability that results from contamination at a facility where your waste has been disposed. Minnesota believes that its waste management system provides substantially more financial and environmental protection than depositing waste in landfills in other states. Managing your waste in Minnesota may minimize your potential liability.*

**WORK IN A RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIRES A PERMIT**

Specific restrictions govern landscaping and material located in the rights-of-way and easements. **Any project that involves work in a right-of-way or easement requires a permit.** This includes work in the street, boulevard and sidewalk. A permit is also required when a lane of traffic must be closed. Applications are available on line at [www.ci.chatfield.mn.us](http://www.ci.chatfield.mn.us) or at City Hall.

The City strives to keep its public rights-of-way in a state of good repair and free from unnecessary encumbrances in order to provide for and protect health, safety and welfare of its citizens, and to insure the integrity of its streets and the appropriate use of the public rights-of-way.

Applications must have a **GOPHER STATE ONE CALL (GSOC)** ticket number assigned before work can begin. The GSOC phone # is 1-800-252-1166. GSOC will notify only utilities within the project area. The GSOC call must be made at least 48 hours (excluding weekends, holidays, and emergencies) prior to the start of digging.

Public roads and sidewalks are located within public right-of-way. Land within the right-of-way is reserved for public use and is under the jurisdiction of the City. Private property generally starts behind the public sidewalk or some distance from the back of the curb if not-sidewalk exists.

