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FEBRUARY 2013

- **Mon Feb 4th—**
Planning & Zoning 7:00 pm
- **Mon Feb 11th—**
City Council 7:00 pm
- **Mon Feb 25th—**
City Council 7:00 pm
- **Thu Feb 28th—**
EDA 5:30 pm

ELECTED OFFICIALS

MAYOR

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PROPERTY TAXES, WATER RATES & SANITARY SEWER RATES

.....Property Taxes:

As is required by Minnesota law, the City adopted a preliminary tax levy in September of last year that would have asked for \$1,260,000 in taxes to fund operations in 2013. If enacted, that would have been an increase of approximately \$58,000, or almost 5% greater than the previous year. Over the course of the fall, though, changes were made by cutting projected expenditures and the final tax levy was set at \$1,225,000, which represents an increase of 1.95%.

Water Rates:

The City has not raised its fees for drinking water for three years. While it is regrettable that fees have to be increased

at all, the fact that the increase can be kept as low as 3% is good. For a base user of water, this means that the water portion of the bill will go up by twenty-seven cents a month. For a



user of 5,000 gallons a month, their increase will be fifty-four cents a month.

Sanitary Sewer Rates:

Sewer rates are also increasing this month. For

the homeowner who uses 2,000 gallons or less, they will see an increase of \$2.16 a month. For a user of 5,000 gallons, the increase will be \$3.54 each month.

While increasing sanitary sewer rates have been the City's Achilles heel over the past several years, current rates are not as high as they were projected to be when the City did its planning in 2004. At that time, it was projected that basic water rates would be \$10.44 and basic sewer rates would be \$39.93 in 2013. Actual rates in 2013 will be \$9.18 for water and \$38.10 for sewer.

The City will make every effort to keep rates as low as possible

EMT TRAINING CLASS

Become part of this "Caring Team". The Chatfield Ambulance Service invites you to join the Service. The next session will begin with a CPR prerequisite on March 4th and continue from 6-10 pm each Monday and Thursday through June. A day time class is possible if the need is there.

If you have ever considered being a volunteer now is the time. There is especially a need for volunteers able to run day time hours. There is no charge for class with a volunteer commitment; Call 867-4446 for more details.

This is an exciting way to serve your community.

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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



Upcoming Events



CHOSEN BEAN CONCERT—ROADY TATE
Friday, March 8th - 7:30—9:30 PM
Chatfield Center for the Arts—Legion Room
Tickets \$10—Available at the door
www.chosenbeanconcerts.org



CHOSEN BEAN CONCERT—DREW NELSON
Saturday, April 13th - 7:30—9:30 PM
Chatfield Center for the Arts—Legion Room
Tickets \$15—Available at the door
www.chosenbeanconcerts.org



& CARRIE ELKIN

CHOSEN BEAN CONCERT—DANNY SCHMIDT
Friday, April 26th - 7:30—9:30 PM
Chatfield Center for the Arts—Legion Room
Tickets \$20—Available at the door
www.chosenbeanconcerts.org



CHOSEN BEAN CONCERT—ANN REED
Saturday, September 21st - 7:30—9:30 PM
Chatfield Center for the Arts—Legion Room
Details to be announced
www.chosenbeanconcerts.org



CHOSEN BEAN CONCERT—SUDDEN LOVELYS
Saturday, October 5th - 7:30—9:30 PM
Chatfield Center for the Arts—Legion Room
Details to be announced
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CHOSEN BEAN CONCERT—LAURIE MCCLAIN
Friday, October 25th - 7:30—9:30 PM
Chatfield Center for the Arts—Legion Room
Details to be announced
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We love Storytime!



STORYTIME WILL BEGIN AGAIN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST AT 10:00AM. PLEASE JOIN US!

LIBRARY HOURS

Tue. 10:00 am—6:30 pm
Wed. 10:00 am—6:30 pm
Thur. 10:00 am—8:30 pm
Fri. 9:00 am—5:00 pm
Sat. 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Phone: 507-867-3480

Chill Fest
Thank You!

Many thanks go to the Lion's Club for taking the lead on hosting this celebration.

As evidenced by the many plungers and people who participated in this celebration, it is hard to think of a year without Chill Fest in Chatfield.



Thank you, volunteers, and Thank you, Lion's Club!!!