



### What's Coming Up?

**Town Hall Addition Open House, 1pm Sat. Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Everyone welcome for the ribbon cutting and snacks*

**Youth seeking jobs** (see list on pg 3)

*Trails Planning continuing* (see Planning minutes, pg 4)

*Hockey rink improvements funded* (see article, pg 2)

*Emergency Plan scenario discussion at 6:30pm prior to the Nov. 12th Board meeting, Town Hall. All welcome.*

## DULUTH TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

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NOVEMBER 2015

### Open House at our new Town Hall Addition

*Don Sitter and Sue Lawson*

**Saturday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.**

Dedicated to residents of Duluth Township, the update-addition to our Town Hall on Homestead Road has been completed. ***It's time to celebrate and you're invited!***

This is the culmination of several years of planning, a survey, an open house, consulting with residents, various user groups and staff about needed updates. The Town Hall has been updated only once in its 85 years — thanks to all the Board members and residents, who over the years, have taken such wonderful care of our Town Hall.

With careful planning and savings, the addition is fully paid for. There was no special tax levy or mortgage involved! Planned follow-on phases for enlarging the parking lot and adding to our Fire Halls will come as funds become available.

The addition includes our main offices for Town Clerk, Police and Planning. It is handicap accessible from outside and inside to the current Town Hall meeting room, and it is energy efficient. The kitchen has been completely redone with new cabinets, counters and sinks. There is a new chair storage area plus provision for operation in an emergency.

There are areas for display of Township history and the work of local artists. The old office area has been converted to a small meeting room. There is a secure, fire-resistant area for record storage. The new Community Room includes our free library, a coffee area plus plenty of room for individuals to use the wifi and for informal meetings. It has a handicap-accessible bathroom. The historic *Clover Valley School* cabinet has been saved and moved to its space in the Community Room. We are working on arrangements for the Community Room to be open even when offices are closed.

Rental of Town Hall space for meetings or family gatherings can still be arranged through the Town office.

***Come to the Open House and see it for yourself!***

### THE HOMESTEADERS

*Rose Vastila*

**November 4<sup>th</sup>**, Wednesday, 12:30pm Town Hall, Sandwiches and coffee. Turkey bingo.

**December 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Wednesday, **12:00pm** Town Hall, Potluck. Program: North Shore Community School Choir.

**January 6<sup>th</sup>**, Wednesday, 12:30pm Town Hall, Potluck and bingo.

***Everyone is welcome.***

*For information call Rose Vastila at 834-5281.*

### LOCAL SNOW PLOWING

**Larry Nesgoda** — call: 525-1305 or 393-2863

### LOCAL PRODUCE

**Farm Fresh Eggs** — call: 525-7415

*Other listings? No charge to list local seasonal items such as these. Next Newsletter is January (deadline Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>).*

**Send your listing to:** [Editor@duluthtownship.org](mailto:Editor@duluthtownship.org), or leave a message at the Town Hall, 525-5705.

### *Thanks to all of the contributors to this issue*

Ann Cox, Mary Anne Daniel, Dave Edblom, Kate Edblom, Bob Engelson, Kathy Johnson, Sue Lawson, Carolyn Marino, Janet McTavish, Beth Mullan, Shawn Padden, Sherry Rovig, John Schifsky, Don Sitter, Carol Surine, and Rose Vastila.

## Clifton Volunteer Fire Department

*Bob Engelson, Fire Chief*



The Department received a \$3,520 grant for fire training. Recent training involved jaws of life use to help in vehicle crash events. Remember to check chimneys, fire extinguishers and smoke/carbon monoxide detectors...new batteries too!

### Clifton Fire Department Auxilliary

*Sherry Rovig*

The Auxiliary started in 2003 with a handful of residents who wanted to support our local Fire Dept. Two main fund-raising projects were organized and continue each year — the calendar and the harvest dinner. The funds that are raised go towards items that are not covered by levied township funds and contribute to the morale and retention of members of Clifton Volunteer Fire Dept. An annual appreciation dinner; monogrammed clothing, such as jackets and hats; and occasional meals at trainings are good examples of how the funds are used. The unpaid hours that fire fighters and emergency medical responders (formerly called First Responders) volunteer to respond to calls, train and maintain the necessary equipment and halls are many. We hope the Auxiliary's efforts help show the community's appreciation for their dedicated service.

Any residents within the Clifton Fire Dept. response area are invited to participate in auxiliary activities or events. We do not have dues or officers. We do meet several times a year to plan for our events. If you wish to be notified of opportunities to contribute, please contact either Jody Anderson 525-4971 or Pat Halvorson 310-2975.

We need some help to distribute the free 2016 Fire Calendar to Township Household mailboxes. If you can help out, call Sherry Rovig at 525-0489

**To volunteer as a fire fighter or emergency medical responder, call Chief Bob Engelson, 525-6819**

Training and turnout gear are provided.

### Emergency Planning

*Supervisor Mary Anne Daniel, EMD*

The Emergency Planning team will discuss our Township's emergency plan with the Town Board at 6:30, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, before the regular Board meeting. They will talk through one of the potential emergency events that might call for a broader community response. As usual, all Board meetings are open to the public.

Training for emergencies. Lake County will be conducting a citizen training program and Duluth Township residents may attend. The program provides residents with knowledge of how to respond to an emergency or "event" in our community to help their own family and neighbors. It is scheduled for 9am-5pm on Sat. and Sun., Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, plus Sat. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>. Details will be in the January Newsletter.

### Clifton Fire Department

#### Harvest Dinner

*Sherry Rovig*

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual harvest dinner was warm, friendly and filling. Dedicated volunteers rallied to fill the Town Hall with music, savory aromas and even more wonderful food. The festive atmosphere combined with a grateful community and produced a successful event by all measures. Thanks to all the people and organizations contributing time, produce, desserts, door prizes and supplies, and help with set up and clean up. Particular thanks go to all the prep crew and servers including **Jody Anderson, Trisha O'Keefe, Lorna Voit, JoAnn Olson, Pat Halvorson, Barbara Crow, Judith Torrence, Sherry Rovig, Rita Bergstedt, Amy Nakamura, Jo Ann Norgren, Mary Anne Daniel, and Phyllis Bruno-Peterson.** **Georganne Hunter and Darlene Peterson** volunteered their music — harp and hammer dulcimer.



### Hockey Rink Improvements

At the October 8<sup>th</sup> Town Board meeting, a volunteer committee of **Ray Sundberg, Ron Sundberg, Nick Massie** and **Shane Stolp** presented a proposal for updating the Community Center's adult hockey rink and providing a new youth hockey rink. The Town Board unanimously approved the proposal and financing, pending approval by ABC Inc. and the NSCS School Boards. The proposal, estimated at \$8,412, included safety items, ideas for future improvements, plus the volunteer committee's plans for implementation.

Earlier this summer, the Town Board committed up to \$62,000 for four Community Center project ideas, pending developed project proposals and ABC Inc and NSCS Board action. The hockey project was the first completed proposal. Thanks to the volunteer committee for their work and planning. Hockey improvements are slated to be ready this winter.

### Community Youth Groups

**Clifton 4-H Club:** call Kate Edblom, 525-1276  
(see article)

**Cub Scouts:** call David Hooey, 525-6617

**Boy Scouts:** call Chris Roningen 525-5308

**Girl Scouts:** call Tracy Mandelin, 525-4148

(Note: If other community service groups should be listed, please contact the Editor at the Town Hall.)

### JOBS WANTED

#### For our Township Youth

An effort to match up residents who have work suitable for our youth with youth in the Township who may want a job.

#### Seeking Job

- Young man, age 11 looking for work, including lawn mowing and general yard work. Experienced. If interested, please call Konrad, at 830-9514.
- Mason Stolp, age 13 years, looking for work (mowing, shoveling, yard work, cleaning, general labor). Call Mason at 525-0576.
- Mature, hard working, experienced 14 year old looking for work (yard work, cleaning, mowing, pretty much any chores). Just call Bridger at 525-0090.
- Cameron Nelson, age 13, lawn mowing, snow shoveling, general yard work, general labor. Call Cameron at 525-0208
- Ryan, age 15, is looking for work. He is interested in yard work, lawn mowing and babysitting. Call 525-9065.

**Advertise for free:** For Township youth (under 25yrs) who are seeking work and Township residents who need help with various jobs suitable for youth (babysitting, lawn, garden, maintenance, snow shoveling, house cleaning, etc.). Leave your ad & contact information at the Town Hall or leave a message 525-5705 or email: [editor@duluthtownship.org](mailto:editor@duluthtownship.org).

### WANTED

Kathy Johnson

**3, 4, and 5 year olds** to join the **Play and Learn** family at North Shore Community School.

Classes are held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:15 to 11:30 and 12:15 to 2:30. Children may attend 1, 2 or 3 days per week. A monthly tuition fee is charged.

To become a **PAL**...contact Kathy Johnson at: 525-0663 Ext 106, or 834-5429.

To file to run for Town Supervisor. Two positions will be on the ballot in March. Candidates can file at the Town Hall during office hours from Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> through noon Jan 14<sup>th</sup>.

### From the Chair

Supervisor Don Sitter, Board Chair

Here are just a few of the highlights since our last Newsletter.

The Town Hall expansion is nearly complete. We will be holding an open house/ribbon cutting ceremony on November 14<sup>th</sup>, starting at 1pm. See the article on page 1.

The trails committee held another open house on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. A preliminary plan was presented for residents to review. This plan has been designed (and funded) by MIC and ARDC. We received good input from residents who attended the open house. A formal plan will be presented to the Planning Commission at the Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> meeting which starts at 7pm. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Town's first PUD (Planned Unit Development) is proceeding along nicely. This project is being proposed as an 8-unit, owner-occupied condominium residential housing on what was previously the Nokomis restaurant site. An informal open house was held on Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>. The Community Participation Report was generated from the many comments received at the open house. The Planning Commission gave preliminary approval of the plan at their Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Final plans are to be presented at the Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> Planning Commission meeting.

Another successful Harvest Dinner was held on Oct. 10th. Many thanks to all of the volunteers who helped put together this 12<sup>th</sup> annual event. (See page 2 for a summary.)

Hockey rink improvements are underway at the NSCS site. These improvements include not only resolving some of the safety issues on the large hockey rink, but also a new youth hockey rink. These are being built with the dollars approved by the Town Board, but more importantly, many, many hours of volunteer labor. Our many thanks to the volunteers that are spending their free time to make these improvements for all in the Township to enjoy! (See the article on page 2.)

Other planned improvements at the school site are in the planning stages, more details will be communicated as they become available.

As always, your comments and suggestions about Township matters are welcome and important to us all.

It is sad to report that a local tradition is passing. It was announced that the **Lighthouse at Emily's** restaurant has closed its doors in late October.

Thanks for contributing to our community.

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Supervisors Wendy Gustofson, Vice Chair Dave Edblom, Chair Don Sitter, Mary Anne Daniel. Travis Stolp

### Summary of Town Board Meetings

(Official minutes by Town Clerk Ann Cox are available at the Town Hall and on our Township web site: [www.duluthtownship.org](http://www.duluthtownship.org)).

**August 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.** Attending: Supervisors Mary Anne Daniel, Dave Edblom, Wendy Gustofson, Don Sitter and Travis Stolp.

Treasurer reported \$453,426.99 spendable balance after \$183,113.07 deposits, \$123,889.03 expenses, \$200,000 Township Reserve and a frozen fund of \$300,000. **Reports:** *Police:* noted DOT has put up divided highway signs on Hwy 61 after an accident. *Fire:* Wayne Dahlberg and Chief Engelson will meet on preliminary planning for an added bay to Hall #1. *Planning:* Ordinance wording will be ready for the next Board meeting. Trails Steering Committee reviewed survey results. Eighteen people attended the *Kiviranta* PUD open house. *Recreation:* A candidate for the combined Community Center Rental Coordinator/NSCS Custodian position, Jim Salls, was interviewed and ultimately hired. *Roads:* North Ryan Road signs, ditch mowing and Greenwood Road run-off and trees blocking signs were reviewed. *Town Hall:* We are on budget but close. *Recycling:* A shed keeper was sought and a volunteer was interviewed and appointed. Welcome to the staff, Colette, and thanks for helping out. *Emergency Planning:* A revised Emergency Plan was provided to Supervisors. At 6:30pm before the November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting, Pat Halverson and Sue Lawson will discuss an emergency scenario with the Board. *Cemetery:* Sexton Molly Tillotson was thanked for her professionalism. Tipped stones are being reset. The garage floor needs to be redone. *Old Business:* Pros and cons of recording Board meetings were discussed but action was postponed.

**September 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.** All Supervisors attended plus the Town Clerk, Treasurer and Town Attorney.

**Main Actions:** The Zoning Ordinance was adopted unanimously, revoking #4 and adopting #5 effective December 31<sup>st</sup>. The Stormwater Ordinance and fee schedule were also unanimously adopted. A motion was approved to change the content of Board minutes to reflect decisions, votes, reasoning, and background supporting the decision. **Discussion:** Treasurer report: deposits of \$35,012.88, expenses of \$165,164.07, Township reserve \$200,000, and frozen CC fund \$300,000 for a spendable balance of \$323,275.70. Jo Thompson was approved as Township representative to Coastal Council conference.

### The Next regular Town Board meetings:

(2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 7pm in the Town Hall) are Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> & Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>. Residents are encouraged to attend these public meetings.

### Summary of Planning Commission Meetings

(Official minutes by Planning Secretary Beth Mullan are available on our Township web site [www.duluthtownship.org](http://www.duluthtownship.org))

**August 27<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.** Commissioners Jerry Hauge, Brigid Pajunen, John Schifsky, Paul Voge and Larry Zanko attended plus Planning Director Sue Lawson, Secretary Beth Mullan & Board Liaison Don Sitter. **Main Action:** Hearing on *Kiviranta*, a Planned Unit Development (at former *Nokomis Restaurant* site). The conditional use application was for an 8-unit, single-family-owned condominiums (two of the units are in the current restaurant building). Development is proposed on the current 3-acre developed site with the remaining 29.75ac in a perpetual conservation easement. Two variances were approved, one a setback and one allowing limited extension behind the current building. The overall conditional use was approved after discussion and public testimony. **Discussion:** Updates on trail planning and the stormwater ordinance were presented.

**September 24<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.** Commissioners Wayne Dahlberg, Jerry Hauge, John Schifsky, Jo Thompson, Paul Voge and Larry Zanko attended plus Planning Director Sue Lawson, Secretary Beth Mullan. **Main Action:** Regular November and December meetings fall on holidays. November 19<sup>th</sup> will be the final meeting for the year.

**Discussion:** There is an application for a home-based business for a gallery on Stoney Point. The Commission determined the area of notification would be a quarter mile with and all of Stoney point to North Shore Drive. The trails open house will be October 15<sup>th</sup>. (That meeting reviewed James Gittemeir's draft plan. About 12 people were in attendance and offered suggestions). The Commission will review the report and forward their recommendations to the Town Board in January. John Schifsky will write an article on the Stormwater Ordinance and the Zoning Ordinance update (they take effect December 31st) for the January Newsletter. The *Kiviranta* PUD preliminary plan was approved already and the final plan will be considered at the October meeting.

### The Next Planning Commission meetings:

(4<sup>th</sup> Thurs, 7pm in the Town Hall) are Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> & Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>.

Holidays: No meeting on Nov 26<sup>th</sup> or Dec 24<sup>th</sup>

Special hearings are posted at the Town Hall.

Residents are encouraged to attend these public meetings.



## Early Road Construction — Duluth Township

*John Schifsky*



The journal entry reads “Town of Duluth – May 1<sup>st</sup> 1899. Meeting of the Road Supervisors. Those present were Barnes, McDonald and Alek Postal.” A paragraph further on Alek Postal, the clerk, records the following: “The Supervisors reported that the roads in the Town were not in a dangerous condition. It was moved that the overseers commence work on the Homestead extension west to put the Road in a passable condition and not to spend over six hundred dollars to the mile.” Which seems, to this writer, a great deal of money for that period, 116 years ago.

The quotation above was taken from one of more than two dozen Town record books, spanning the period 1894 – 1988. These books as well as treasurer’s records, birth and death records, wolf bounty certificates, road records, chattel mortgage records, elections records, building permits, and fire department records are filed in six boxes stored at the Iron Range Research Center (IRRC) in Chisholm. In 1983 the research center received a federal grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to assist municipalities on the Iron Range with the care and preservation of their historical records. Duluth Township records were moved to the IRRC in 1989 where they are available to the public.

The Town record books are impressive to look at and hold: formal: large format (13 1/2 by 8 1/2), leather bound ledgers, the paper a rich, cream color, ruled, and of heavy weight. Entries are by hand in ink, the writing cursive, and legible for the most part.

For the period 1898 through the 1930’s the Town Meeting Minutes concern themselves primarily with the placement of roads, their construction and maintenance. Township residents filed road petitions (there are three folders of such petitions, each petition generated by one or more individuals, the petition most often simply stating that a road needs to be extended from an existing road to a residence.) For example the 1899 records document that “A request was received from Martin Mortinson to have the Town aid him in building a road from the Homestead Road into his place.” The board discussed the matter and asked Mr. Mortinson to petition in the “regular way” which meant completing a formal petition.

The App Road came up for discussion at that same 1899 meeting. “The Supervisors reported that the route was feasible but not of the best, and that the road was necessary as there were several settlers who the road would benefit.” The supervisors approved the road and later “moved that the App Road be cut out and cleared to 10 ft wide all necessary bridges and culverts built and put in.” A few sentences later the clerk writes “the Board take steps to turn the Lake Shore Road back to the county.” This resolution is interesting in that the “Lake Shore Road” is mentioned in 1895 and funds were allocated for its survey, as well as for necessary bridges and culverts. North Shore Drive (Lake Shore Road) has been a county responsibility since that time.

In the years following 1899 residents petitioned for other roads; the boxes of Township records at the Research Center include a well-thumbed yellow legal pad, pages filled with information about road openings and expenses. The names are familiar: Anderson Road in 1908, Olson Road in 1909, Aho Road in 1909, Wildwood Road in 1909, Simpson Road in 1910. The listing runs through 1976 with the date the petitions were accepted and filed as well as identifying survey information including section numbers and the beginning and ending points of the road. The “Stiff Line Road” (Homestead Road), “beginning at Palmer’s Station on the D. & I. R. Ry., in section 3, Twp. 51-13 and running west about 40 rods . . . as laid out and constructed by the Township of Duluth in Section 10, Twp. 52-13” was officially recognized as a public highway by St. Louis County and cared for by the county.

As noted above, road maintenance was a constant responsibility. In 1911 the Town Board allotted \$3225 to the roads, the work “to be carried out as soon as possible funds allowing the same to be done.” Familiar road names follow: Agnew, Anderson, McDonough, Postal, Hogland, Bergquist, Croft, Johnson, etc. (More on Township roads, their construction and maintenance in the January *Newsletter*.)



## Clifton 4-H News

*Kate Edblom*

It all began nearly 18 years ago when my own children were members of the Clifton 4-H Club. Along the way, I have enjoyed the rewards of working alongside youth and their families. It is now time for me to share this experience with a fresh new leader(s).

If you love working with youth of all ages, would enjoy watching lives transform in roles of leadership, and can offer time to help develop worthwhile life skills in our community youth, this is a volunteer opportunity for you!

The Clifton 4-H Club is one of the oldest clubs in Minnesota History. I would love to pass on the torch and keep it growing. I would be happy to work with you until you are comfortable. Kate Edblom, 525-1276.

**218-834-3310**



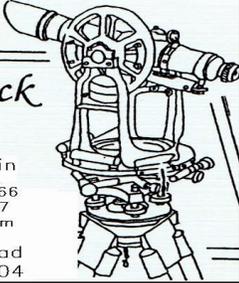
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 525-2602 or [Shagglu57@centurylink.net](mailto:Shagglu57@centurylink.net)

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MNDOT plans to replace the bridge and provide more access parking were discussed at an Oct 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**French River Readers Book Club**  
*Carol Surine*

The book for next month is *A Complicated Kindness*, by *Miriam Toews*. The next meeting is Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the Fireside Room at French River Lutheran Church on Ryan Road. Host to be determined, perhaps Carol Surine.

For information call Carol Surine, 525-4426 or email: [CarolSurine@gmail.com](mailto:CarolSurine@gmail.com), or [www.duluthtownship.org/bookclub](http://www.duluthtownship.org/bookclub).

**Recycle Plastics**



**Quick Tips for Recycling**

-  Check the bottom of your containers to make sure they are labeled #1-7.
-  Rinse containers to make recycling easier and more efficient.
-  No Film or Foam. This includes any styrofoam, plastic bags, or wrap.
-  No plastic cups, plates, or utensils.
-  No flower pots or trays.
-  No buckets 5 gallons or larger.
-  No plastics that contained motor oil, antifreeze, or other automotive fluids.

**Police Department**  
*Shawn Padden, Chief*



**Police Events.** There were 221 police events in August and September. This included 38 traffic violation warnings or citations, 82 resident requested vacation home/business checks, 9 medical emergencies, 9 animal complaints, 7 suspicious activity calls, 7 burglar alarm responses, and 6 attempts to locate careless drivers, and 6 theft complaints. See our web site for a full listing of events.

If you have information about any criminal activity in our community, please contact the Duluth Township Police Department at: 218-525-5705 or our mobile phone: 393-8407, or email: [DuluthTwpPolice@duluthtownship.org](mailto:DuluthTwpPolice@duluthtownship.org).

**For medical or police emergencies call 911.**  
 Go to the Township web site: [www.duluthtownship.org](http://www.duluthtownship.org) to sign up for email police alerts and other urgent or informative notifications.



## Duluth Township Information 2015

Duluth Town Hall, 6092 Homestead Road, Duluth, MN 55804

Phone (218) 525-5705 (voice message),

Email: See note below on using our Township web site.

[www.duluthtownship.org](http://www.duluthtownship.org)

**Town Office Hours:** Tues. & Wed. 9am-noon  
Thurs 2-6pm, Fri 9-11am

**Planning Office Hours:** No posted hours

Call the Town Hall for an appointment: 525-5705

### Supervisors:

**Mary Anne Daniel**, (2013-2016) 260-9123

*Primary contact for Fire, Cemetery, Emergency Planning, Police, 50% Joint Use Committee.*

**Dave Edblom** (2014-2017) **Vice Chair** 525-1276

*Primary contact for Town Hall, 50% Joint Use Committee; Assisting: Roads, Personnel, Business Management.*

**Wendy Gustofson** (2016-2018) 573-821-0785

*Primary contact for Communications, D/NSSD and Materials Mgmt, Intergovernmental Relations.*

**Don Sitter** (2013-2016) **Chair** 525-4138

*Primary contact for Business Mgmt, Personnel, Planning and Zoning; Assisting: Town Hall for Town Hall, Recreation, Personnel.*

**Travis Stolp** (2016-2018) 525-0576

*Primary contact for Roads, Recreation/Rental*

**Town Clerk:** **Ann K. Cox** 525-5705 (Town Hall)  
**Treasurer:** **Janet Johansen** 525-5705 (Town Hall)  
**Attorney:** **Tim Strom** 722-4766 (office)  
**Cemetery Sexton:** **Molly Tillotson** 218-525-6933

**Planning Director:** **Sue Lawson** messages: 525-5705

**Planning and Zoning Secretary:** **Beth Mullan**

**Planning and Zoning Commission:** **Wayne Dahlberg, Jerry Hauge** (Mar2015), **Brigid Pajunen** (Mar2016), **John Schifsky** (Mar2016), **Jo Thompson** (Mar2016) vice chair, **Paul Voge**, chair (Mar2014), **Larry Zanko** (2016)

**Peace Officers:** **Chief Shawn Padden** and **Chief Steve Peterson.**

**Emergencies 9-1-1**, Messages 525-5705 or 393-8407

**Clifton Volunteer Fire/EMS Department:**

**Chief Bob Engelson**, Assistant Chief **Rob Peldo**, President **Jason Bruckelmyer**

**Burning Permits** are available online at [mndnr.gov/permits](http://mndnr.gov/permits) or the **Town Hall** (office hours), or from **Fire Wardens:** Jeff & Carolyn Marino (525-6431), Jay Zink 525-5589 or **DNR** in Two Harbors, 1568 Hwy 2, 834-1418.

**Community Center Rental Coordinator:** Jim Salls 600-9015

**Town Hall rentals:** contact the Town Clerk, 525-5705.

**Website manager:** Janet Johansen 525-5705 (Town Hall)

### To Email Township Officials and Departments

Our Township web site, [www.duluthtownship.org/contacts](http://www.duluthtownship.org/contacts), has a dropdown list of personnel and departments you can use to send emails. Note that a copy of all emails automatically goes to the Town Hall for Township records.

**Note:** If the person does not have email access, your communication is sent to the Town Hall where it is picked up. Many Departments have a web page. See our web site.

## Township Recycling Center

At the Town Hall, on Homestead Road  
Staffed by Carolyn Marino, Colette, and Roger Beck



**Nov.-March: Tues. 7-11am, 2-6pm, Thurs. 2-6pm & Sat. 8-noon.**

**April-Oct: Tuesday 7-11am & 3-7pm, Thurs. 3-7pm, Saturday 8-12.**

(Recycle drop off only during recycling hours and no household garbage, please.)

Aluminum cans should be recycled with plastics/metal cans. Curb recycling pickup service is available south of the freeway.

Surveillance cameras have been installed around the Town Hall because of vandalism and dumping household garbage.

SEE RECYCLING INFORMATION ON PAGE 6

## Township Calendar

See calendar updates on [www.duluthtownship.org](http://www.duluthtownship.org).  
Our Official Calendar is posted at the Town Hall.

### NOVEMBER 2015

- 3, Tue, 7pm **Volunteer Fire Dept:** business meeting, Fire Hall #1, Ryan Road
- 4, Wed, 12:30 **Homesteader's** meet, Town Hall
- 12, Thu, 6:30pm Emergency Planning presentation, & 7pm **TOWN BOARD**, Town Hall
- 14, Sat, 1pm **Open House and Ribbon Cutting for the new Town Hall addition.** All are invited.
- 17, Tue, 7am **Duluth/North Shore Sanitary District** meeting, French River Lutheran Church
- 17, Tue, 7pm **Volunteer Fire Dept:** training, Hall #1
- 19, Thu, 7pm **Planning Commission**, Town Hall
- 26, Thu, Thanksgiving, offices closed. No meetings.

### DECEMBER 2015

- 1, Tue, 7pm **Volunteer Fire Dept:** business meeting, Fire Hall #1, Ryan Rd
- 2, Wed, 12:30 **Homesteader's**, Town Hall
- 10, Thu, 7pm **TOWN BOARD**, Town Hall
- 15, Tue, 7am **Duluth/North Shore Sanitary District** meeting, French River Lutheran Church
- 15, Tue, 7pm **Volunteer Fire Dept** training, Hall #1
- 23, Tue, **Deadline for the January Newsletter**
- 24, Thu, Holiday, offices closed. No meetings.
- 29, Tue, Board candidate filing begins..

### JANUARY 2016

- 5, Tue, 7pm **Volunteer Fire Dept:** business meeting Fire Hall #1, Ryan Road
- 6, Wed, 12:30pm **Homesteader's**, Town Hall .
- 12, Tue, Noon, filing deadline for Board candidates
- 14, Thu, 7pm **TOWN BOARD**, Town Hall.
- 19, Tue, 7am **Duluth/North Shore Sanitary District** meeting, French River Lutheran Church
- 19, Tue, 7pm **Volunteer Fire Dept** training Hall #1
- 28, Thu, 7pm **Planning Commission**, Town Hall

# DULUTH TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2015

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Handicap accessible ramp to the Town



Community Room

You are Invited to the  
**Town Hall Update/Addition Open House and Ribbon Cutting!**  
starting at 1pm on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

Tour the new offices and community room...coffee and cookies!



Township Offices



Areas planned for Township history, local art, etc.



Updated kitchen facilities