



FOCUS ON LAKEVILLE

MEETINGS

Monday, Dec. 15

6 p.m. - City Council Meeting

Wednesday, Dec. 17

6 p.m. - Parks, Recreation & Natural Resources Committee Meeting

Thursday, Dec. 18

6 p.m. - Planning Commission

Dec. 24 & 25

City offices closed for the Christmas holidays

Meetings take place at City Hall unless otherwise noted. The public is invited to participate in meetings in person. Agendas are available online. LakevilleMN.gov

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Illumination Walk

Friday, Jan. 9

Ritter Farm Park

Multiple time slots available

SPOTS FILL QUICKLY

Discover the magic of Ritter Farm Park's luminary trail! Join us on Friday, January 9 and walk under the moonlight, guided by hundreds of flickering candles. \$6 per person. Register online at LakevilleMN.gov or call 952-985-4600.

Winter Parking Ordinance

Lakeville's winter parking ordinance is being enforced. No cars can be parked on the street between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. even if there is no snow. There is also no on-street parking when it's snowing, until the roads have been cleared.

Give The Gift Of Dance For The Holidays

Tuesdays: Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 10 & April 7, 2026 – 10:30 a.m.

Tickets: \$10 (ticket required for each person attending)

Twin Cities Ballet is back at the Lakeville Area Arts Center with their popular "Dance With Me" series! A magical mini-show where kids can meet, dance with and watch TCB's professional dancers in full costume. Perfect for families with little dancers ages 2+!

Help Shape Lakeville's Future—Apply to Serve on a Committee

The City is seeking applicants for our advisory volunteer boards, committees and commissions. Appointed by the City Council through an application process, volunteers review policies and proposals to make recommendations to the Council. **Apply for one of the following starting Dec. 19.**

Planning Commission

The Planning Commission prepares and keeps a current Comprehensive Plan; establishes principles and policies for guiding action affecting development; prepares and recommends to the City Council ordinances and regulations to promote orderly and economically sound development; and determines whether specific proposed developments conform to the principles and requirements of the Comprehensive Plan and the City Code. Meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

Parks, Recreation & Natural Resources Committee

The Parks, Recreation & Natural Resources Committee advises the City Council on development of a Comprehensive Park, Trail and Open Space Plan; the development and use of parks and recreation facilities, leisure services, and recreation programming for public enjoyment; and preservation of natural resources and promotion of environmental awareness. Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.

Economic Development Commission

The purpose of the Economic Development Commission is to strengthen the economic base of the City in a manner consistent with the goals and policies of the City's Comprehensive Plan and Economic Development Plan. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 4 p.m.

Finance Committee

The purpose of the Finance Committee is to function as a resource to the City Council and staff in an advisory capacity regarding fiscal matters relating to short- and long-term financial planning; financial policies and practices; local, state and national

trends in finance and the economy; analysis of legislative issues; review of quarterly financial reports and the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report; and to provide recommendations regarding public communications and education programs related to budget and City finances. Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September and November at 5 p.m.

Lakeville Area Arts Center Advisory Board

The purpose of the Lakeville Area Arts Center Advisory Board is to advise the City Council on matters pertaining to the promotion, development and accessibility of the arts; to create an environment for artistic excellence; and to provide for a community gathering place that fosters creative expression and artistic and educational opportunities for people of all ages. Meetings are held quarterly in the months of January, April, July and October at 3:30 p.m.

Lakeville Area Historical Society Board

The purpose of the Lakeville Area Historical Society Board is to take an active role in collecting, documenting and preserving Lakeville area history. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, with some exceptions.

Black Dog Watershed Management Organization (WMO)

Three regular members, one alternate. The WMO is made up of four cities (Apple Valley, Burnsville, Eagan and Lakeville) and provides leadership in the management and stewardship of our water resources. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. at the Burnsville Maintenance Facility, 13713 Frontier Court in Burnsville.

Applicants will receive an emailed link from Signup Genius inviting them to schedule their interview with the City Council. Interviews will be held in February. Interviews will be approximately 10 minutes in length and will be held at Lakeville City Hall.

For more information and to apply online, go to LakevilleMN.gov.

CITY UPDATES

Public Works

- Streets staff went straight into winter operations this week, responding to four snow events with more expected.
- Crews have also been clearing sidewalks and City parking lots.

Parks and Recreation

- The Lakeville Sno-Tracker volunteers have marked the cross-country ski and snowmobile trails at Ritter Farm Park.
- Run the Ritter organizers made a \$2,000 donation for trail improvements and maintenance at Ritter Farm Park.

Arts Center

- We're bundled up in our winter gear but dreaming of making art in the sun. Planning for summer programs and camps are off to a great start.
- Expressions Community Theater closed its holiday show on Nov. 29. It was a great show that is now the second highest-grossing Expressions holiday production. More than 1,000 people attended.



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