Citizens of Hamburg

A message from Mayor Lund

Hope everyone is doing well and keeping their spirits up during these trying times. It was great to see many of you drive thru the Hamburg Fire Departments Pork Chop Dinner last Sunday. Despite the windy conditions, the event was a great success. The Department cooked up and sold over 640 pork chops in less than 4 hours. I know several people were disappointed to hear of the sellout when they drove up at 2 pm. Thanks to all who helped make that event a success.

Last week Governor Walz loosened the Stay-at-Home Executive Order to allow Minnesotans to golf, fish, hunt, hike, and some camping options too. Hopefully, that equates to Governor Walz sticking to the May 4th date and will not extend it. As you may know, Governor Walz has entered into an agreement with the Governors of several other States to craft a regional plan to reopen the economy. Just this week, Governor Walz mentioned that testing for COVID-19 is going to rise. Expectation is to test 8,000 people per day in the next couple of weeks with a goal of reaching to 20,000 tests per day. Keep in mind as testing increases so will the number of COVID-19 cases. Just because the reported number will increase does not equate to a new outbreak or a second wave. All it means is we can now test more people and capture more data points. Be calm and do not buy into the fearmongering that will take place.

City Council will be holding their next meeting on April 28th via Zoom. If you would like to attend please use this information to do so: online at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6817521480, the Zoom App on your cellphone via the google play store, or by calling 1-312-626-6799. Use Meeting ID: 681 752 1480 when logging in or calling in. Use a pound sign (#) as your participant ID. Also, we do not use the video option so please do not share your video and when you sign in to Zoom please mute your line.

If your household is like mine, UPS or FedEx is dropping off several boxes a week. So many boxes that the recycling bin cannot keep up. Good news. If you want a second recycling bin, please call Waste Management at 1-800-450-9378. The extra bin will be delivered, and no extra charge will be assessed.

City Hall is staffed but will remain closed to foot traffic as long as Governor Walz’s Stay-at-Home order is in place. Parkside continues to fill takeout orders Thursday through Saturday and the State signed a law that allows for a six-pack or a bottle of wine to be purchased too. Fireman’s BBQ also continues to set up in the area. Check Facebook and/or their websites for more information.

Be safe. Be diligent. Be healthy.

Humbly,
Mayor Lund
"Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved."
- Mattie Stepanek -

* Maintain and show pride in your home, yard, and neighborhood.
* If you see litter, pick it up
* If you see anything that is of concern throughout town, let city staff or a council member know
* If you see suspicious activity, vandalism etc... call the police.

Together we can maintain a safe and inviting atmosphere in our small corner of the world.

**WATER TOWER UPDATE**

Sandblasting of the water tower began on Wednesday of this week. Hanging from the top of a tower in a basket is not on most peoples bucket list. It is quite a site to behold.

"With local businesses being impacted in some way by the Coronavirus, we want to do our part to help! KDUZ/KARP/KGLB radio, along with the Ingstand Minnesota Radio Network (IMRN), are offering local businesses a **FREE** way to help sell products and services! We are launching our new wheeler dealer MN website and we want to list your products and services for **FREE**. Items will be posted online and promoted on air, website, Facebook and more, all at no charge. When the item sells, you receive the full sale price! Just go to the link below for more details and to submit your items.


**What do you think?**

We are seeking input from the community of Hamburg regarding the annual City-Wide garage sales. They are scheduled for June 25-27. Do we move ahead as planned? Should the dates be moved? Or, do we cancel them all together for this year?

Email Mayor Lund to let him know your thoughts.
clund@cityofhamburgmn.com

**Water Main Looping**

Work will begin next week (April 27th) to loop the water mains on the west end of town along with repairing Jacob Street. Residents on Jacob Street from the intersection of Broadway heading south will have limited to no access to their driveways for up to 2 weeks. The water service to several homes in that area will be interrupted on 2 separate days with the interruption lasting approximately 4 hours each time. The effected residents will be given a 24 hour notice.

For project updates please check the Hamburg City website at www.cityofhamburgmn.com