



# SILVER BAY NEWSLETTER

FALL / WINTER 2022

## A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR WADE LeBLANC

Greetings!

I can't believe I am nearing completion of my first term as your Mayor. I have served on the city's Economic Development Authority Board for 20+ years, but I never realized the amount of work and time that goes into running a city, until I became Mayor. Thank you for your phone calls, support, and patience while navigating my responsibilities. It has been challenging and fun. I am proud of the work our city has been doing over the past years and the dedicated staff working on behalf of our community.

In May, we held a public meeting with the MN Design Team to talk about the future of our city and how to rejuvenate our downtown area. I felt we had a great turnout and discussion. Many of the results continued to support the direction the city has been working on since the development of the Comprehensive Plan. One topic I heard at that meeting, is your desire for communication from the Council on what is happening within the community. We will strive to do a better job – starting with renewing our Fall/Winter and Spring/Summer newsletter. I am also starting a monthly "Meet with the Mayor" where you can stop by to say hello or talk about city issues that you may have. I also want to encourage you to attend city meetings of both the working boards and Council, as they are open to the public. Check out our city website at [www.silverbay.com](http://www.silverbay.com), as this is the city's prime communication tool. You are also welcome to email me at [wadeleblancsb@gmail.com](mailto:wadeleblancsb@gmail.com) for city business.

In this newsletter you will find information relating to our various city departments along with "Hot Topics" of our city. One topic I would like to bring to your immediate attention is our new financial system BSA/Invoice Cloud. Citizens have been asking for a better way to pay online and we finally are getting this established. We are starting with utility payments, and will be expanding the system in the near future to include payments for Planning and Zoning, Parks and Rec, Citations, Leases, and other city payments. Sign up for paperless billing, email communication, pay by text, autopay, voice, and other payment options. Our goal is to make it convenient for you!

I also want to remind you of the General Election coming up on November 8<sup>th</sup>, where you will not only vote for Federal and State positions that impact our community, but you will also vote for the Mayor and two City Councilors for Silver Bay. Thanks to our election judges who take their time to volunteer to serve.

I hope you find valuable information in this newsletter and I wish you all a healthy and happy fall/winter season!

Sincerely,

Wade

Wade LeBlanc, Mayor

City Council regular meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. All meetings are at the City Hall.

### 2022 Regular Meeting Dates

October 17th

November 7th

November 21st

December 5th

December 19th

#### **Mayor:**

Wade LeBlanc

#### **Council Members:**

Richard DeRosier

Dustin Goutermont

Shane Hoff

Ben Bautch

### **Meet with the Mayor**

4:00-6:00 PM at City Hall

November 21st

December 19th

January 17th

February 21st

March 20th



### Police Department

Chief Cole Ernest Badge 700

Officer Sean Bergman Badge 705

Officer Caleb Fischer Badge 703

Office Micaiah Schubert Badge 704

## INFORMATION FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

### SCHOOLS IN SESSION:

The Silver Bay Police Department would like to remind everyone that school is in session and to be extra careful when driving in the school area during school hours. Please remember that there are no drop offs or pickups of students on the residential side of Banks Blvd.

### WINTER PARKING:

Winter is fast approaching which means seasonal parking restrictions will go into effect November 1st until April 30th. This means that no one is allowed to park on the city streets between the hours of 11:00 PM—6:00 AM or during any time that snowplowing or snow removal operations are in progress. Vehicles that are not removed will be subject to citation and towing in order to allow the Street Department to plow the streets. As a reminder, boulevard parking will not be allowed.

### NOTIFY US:

If you see anything suspicious please notify the Police Department at (218) 226-4486. We appreciate the community helping us out.

We want everyone to have a fun and safe season!!

## PUBLIC WORKS CITY ORDINANCE REMINDERS

IF YOU NOTICE A PROBLEM WITH A STREET LIGHT, CALL CITY HALL AT (218)226-4408 OR THE STREET DEPT. AT (218)226-4552 AND GIVE DETAILS AND LOCATION OF THE LIGHT.

Please contact the Street Department if you are concerned about a boulevard tree. City Code 910.03 Subd. 1 & 5 prohibits you to prune or tamper boulevard trees.

If you are digging out your driveway approach a permit is required and are available at City Hall.

We ask you not to rake your boulevard leaves into the street as the leaves will plug storm drains.

With winter fast approaching, please note that no one shall deposit snow upon the property of another or into City streets or sidewalks per City Code 920.07.

The City will not be liable for damage to personal property caused by City snow plowing or snow equipment when personal property is placed on the boulevard, street or sidewalk that is not readily visible to the operator of the equipment.

City Code 1230.01, states no political signs are permitted in public right-of-ways or city boulevards. Election signs shall be permitted in all districts. However, the signs shall be removed within five days following Election Day. No sign shall be placed on private property without the consent of the property owner or occupant.

## NEWS FROM THE PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT



The Minnesota Cold Weather Rule is designed to protect people who may have trouble paying their utility bills in the winter. It applies from October 1 to April 30 In the case of city utilities, this only applies to those who have hot water heat for their primary heat source. For more information on this rule, visit [www.silverbay.com](http://www.silverbay.com).

If you have trouble paying your utility bill, the following local agencies may be able to provide assistance.

Lake County Social Services:  
(218)834-8400 / (218)226-4443  
AEOA: 800-662-5711

**CITY UTILITY BILLS:** Water, sewer, and garbage services are billed on a quarterly basis. Bills are mailed out in January, April, July, and October. All bills are due upon receipt. Although residential is billed quarterly, please feel free to pay MONTHLY or any time that is convenient for you.

You can pay or schedule your payment on the city website: [www.silverbay.com](http://www.silverbay.com), click on the **Make A Payment** tab and follow the instructions.

A drop box is available in front of City Hall for your convenience. Place your payment and the small card stub together in an envelope and drop them in the drop box. The box is emptied daily. NOTE: Any payments received after 4:00 PM or received on the weekend will be credited to your account the next business day.



## LIQUOR STORE/LOUNGE UPDATES

The Silver Bay Liquor Store carries a wide variety of off-sale liquor, wine, beer, and mixes. Ice is also available. Stop by and try our deep fried food, pizza, and beer/cocktails.

Check us out on Facebook, Silver Bay Municipal Bar and Lounge, for weekend entertainment line-ups, food and drink specials.

Mon.-Thurs: 9:00 AM -11:00 PM  
Fri-Sat. 9:00 AM—Midnight  
Sun. 11:00 AM—6:00 PM

### DEEP FRIED MENU:

Cauliflower  
Cheese Curds  
Chicken Strips  
Egg Rolls  
French Fries  
Onion Pedals  
Mini Tacos  
Soft Pretzel  
Spicy Pickle Strings  
Cream Cheese Wonton

### PIZZA MENU:

Giovanni  
Thick or Thin Buffalo Chicken  
Kettle River  
\*Pepperoni \*4 meat  
\*Deluxe  
\*Sausage & Pepperoni  
\*Hot Hawaiian  
\*Cheese Wheel  
\*Chicken Alfredo



### ENTERTAINMENT

#### SCHEDULE:

**Oct 28<sup>th</sup>**

Halloween Party

Timmy Haus

**Nov 4<sup>th</sup>**

Whiskey Trail

**Nov 26<sup>th</sup>**

McCullough Brothers

## BUSY TIMES IN THE ARENA/PARKS & RECREATION

The Parks & Rec. Dept. had a busy summer helping host many successful activities: T-Ball, Youth Baseball, Youth Softball, Men's softball, Tennis League, Pickleball in the arena, Dry-land hockey, Youth Golf instruction lead by the golf course, Bay to Bay Run, and Blue Line Club Hockey Camp. Popular Prairie Fire Theater is scheduled to return next summer. This fall we had another successful Pony League Football program. Altogether we had over 450 participants in our summer and fall programs, leagues, and camps. The Parks & Rec. Dept. would like to thank the instructors, umpires, and workers for their dedication to the programs. Also, special thanks to those who volunteered their time and services.

2022 New Projects & Purchases: The Recreation Department purchased a new Kubota UTV this summer to help maintain our parks, campground, and rec. facilities. The Black Beach Campground and Park have welcomed thousands of visitors and has become a new tourist destination on the North Shore. The campground has maintained a high occupancy rate from the first day it opened to the public, which has meant many happy campers and revenue to our city.

Rukavina Arena opens on Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Season. Open Skating and Adult Hockey will be Sundays and Wednesdays. North Shore teams this year will be:

Boys and Girls HS Teams, Bantam B, Pee wee B1 & B2, Girls 10U & 12U, Squirt A & B, and Mite 1 & 2 Teams. Except for our Mite teams we will all be playing under the banner of North Shore Storm this coming season.

The Arena schedule is posted on the SBBLC website  
[www.silverbayhockey.com](http://www.silverbayhockey.com).

The Arena will host 14 home Boys and Girls HS hockey games and 9 Youth Hockey Tournaments /Jam-borees. Also, this season we will be hosting 12UB districts & Pee wee B Regions. Come watch a game and support North Shore Storm and Mariner Hockey. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**WATCH A  
GAME AND  
SUPPORT  
NORTH  
SHORE  
STORM  
AND  
SILVER  
BAY  
HOCKEY.**

## THE MARINA TRANSITIONS FROM A BUSY SUMMER

The Silver Bay Marina would like to thank all the people who helped make this a great year. We have new management at our marina this summer. Owners of Eli Yachts Kathleen Koch and Mike Ettel have been hired by the city to manage the Silver Bay Marina for the 2022 season and beyond.

Their knowledge of the boating industry and Lake Superior have helped to improve operations at our Marina.

The 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Salmon Classic fishing tournament was the biggest one so far with a great turnout from the contestants

and some nice fish caught. This season was the most profitable year to date.

Check out our website, [www.silverbaymarina.com](http://www.silverbaymarina.com) and be sure to like us on Facebook, Silver Bay Marina.

