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SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES

Visit the Eagle Lake business directory at https://eaglelakemn.com/businesses

DONATE TO **CANS FOR KIDS**

EAGLE LAKE

Donating your aluminum cans to "Cans for Kids" is an easy way to support the Eagle Lake parks.

The proceeds from the cans go towards the parks.



DONATION LOCATION

Near the Eagle Lake water tower PLEASE DO NOT BAG CANS

SAVE THE DATES

SUMMER READING SEE SCHEDULE
3 ON 3 JULY 10 - AUGUST 17 · Mondays-Thursdays
REC ON THE GO WEDNESDAYS
JULY 9-16 EAGLE LAKE TATOR DAYS
JULY 13 MUSIC ON PARKWAY · Stacy K + Band
AUGUST 1 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
AUGUST 17 MUSIC ON PARKWAY · Debbie Anthony Band
AUGUST 18 OUTDOOR MOVIE · Mighty Ducks
DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Thank you for your help supporting the parks.

CITY OF EAGLE LAKE

Summer 2023

POPULATION: 3,278

CITY HALL

PO Box 159 705 Parkway Avenue Eagle Lake, Minnesota 56024

> 507-257-3218 eaglelakemn.com



CITY HALL HOURS

Monday - Friday | 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

UTILITY PAYMENTS

For utility customer convenience, a drop box is located on the east side of City Hall for utility bill payments and is available seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Utility bill payment options include the following: on-line, auto-pay, by mail, in person, or by phone using a credit or debit card.

QUESTIONS? CONCERNS?

Please let us know your questions and/or concerns directly so that we can do our best to promptly address your questions and/or concerns. City staff can be reached during business hours at City Hall, via phone, or electronically using the **"CONTACT US"** feature on the City of Eagle Lake website at:

https://eaglelakemn.com/contact

IMPORTANT NOTE

The City of Eagle Lake communicates with residents using its

City of Eagle Lake Website

City of Eagle Lake Facebook Page

City of Eagle Lake Email Blasts

Mailers

Such as quarterly newsletters mailed to all postal patrons with a 56024-zip code

Questions posed to the City of Eagle Lake via the **Eagle Lake Community Facebook Page** will **not** be answered by City staff as the City of Eagle Lake is not affiliated with the Eagle Lake Community Facebook page. Please contact the City of Eagle Lake directly with any questions that you wish to have answered by City staff.

> Stay informed about City news by signing up for City of Eagle Lake email news updates. SIGN UP ONLINE OR CONTACT CITY HALL

EAGLE LAKE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS



HELD THE FIRST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH • 6 P.M. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

To view meetings, please visit the City of Eagle Lake website at **eaglelakemn.com** and click on the "**City of Eagle Lake MN City Council Meetings**" icon (as shown on the right) on the home page of the website.

City of Eagle Lake MN City Council Meetings



MOSQUITO CONTROL TREATMENT SCHEDULE

The City of Eagle Lake contracts with Clarke for mosquito control services. Nine treatments were scheduled for Eagle Lake this spring and summer.

Residents wishing to receive notification in advance of treatments can sign up using the following link: www.clarkeportal.com.

Click the "**Register**" hyperlink next to "**Do not have an account?**". Then click the "**I am a Resident**" button.

www.clarkeportal.com

REMAINING TREATMENTS

July 17, 31 August 14, 28 September 11

Dates may vary slightly due to weather or other factors.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES GRANT

TO PURCHASE TWO NEW AED RESPONSE SYSTEMS

The Eagle Lake Fire Department recently received a \$5,000 grant from the Carl and Verna Schmidt Foundation to purchase two new AED response systems.



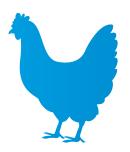


T-ball coordinator and Park Board Chair Jeremy Horkey and all the coaches that have donated their time to ensure another successful t-ball season in Eagle Lake!

CHICKENS

The Eagle Lake City Council amended Chapter 3 of City Code at its May 1st meeting to allow chickens. Please see Section 3.140 for more information.

Contact City Hall to learn more about the permit process and to obtain a permit application form.



COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS





FREE EVENT 6 - 9 P.M.

JULY 13 Stacy K + Band

AUGUST 17 Debbie Anthony Band

Bring a lawn chair or blanket to enjoy the music!

THANK YOU to everyone that attended the June 15th Music on Parkway event that was held at Lake Eagle Park.

The location was moved from under the water tower to the park due to the water tower rehab project. Although the project will be substantially complete mid-July, a decision has been made to move the July 13th Music on Parkway event to Lake Eagle Park to ensure comfortable site conditions for attendees as there will be site restoration work underway under the water tower. The Music on Parkway Committee will be closely monitoring site conditions under the water tower for the August 17th event. If the event needs to be relocated to the park, an announcement will be made as we get closer to the event.

Summer Enrichment + Leisure

Eagle Lake Summer Reading Program Funded by a grant from BEC Library

Eagle Lake Summer Reading program is sponsored by Mankato Community Education & Blue Earth County Library. Come to the Eagle Lake (Elementary School) Library for fun programming this summer!

Connect with US!

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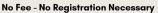
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Mankato Community

- Summer Library Highlights
- Books to check out and read at home
- Informative Speakers
- Fun Arts & Crafts
- STEM Projects
- Story Time With Sam

All our library visitors will have access to everything they need to participate in and complete the Blue Earth County Summer Reading Program! See you soon! All programs are FREE! No need to register! For more information, contact Mankato Community Education at 507-387-5501.

Eagle Lake Elementary School Library June 12 - August 9 - No Library program July 3 & 5 Mondays - 9 - 10:30 am Wednesdays - 4:30 - 6 pm



FREE EVENT



AUGUST 1 | 5 - 7 PM

at Epiphany Lutheran Church and Star Light Early Learning Center

HOSTED BY

Epiphany Lutheran Church and Star Light Early Learning Center

in Partnership with Eagle Lake Area Lions Club

INCLUDED

Fire Truck, Police Squad Games & Prizes for the Kids

FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE

Free Will Offering Grant provided by Thrivent Proceeds will go towards the Park Pavilion

* TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE *





C SUMMER 2023

Rec on the GO! is a FREE mobile recreation program coming to a park near you! Rec on the GO! will offer a variety of activities for grades K-5 including: group games, arts & crafts, STEAM activities, water days, sports and so much more! Our recreation trailer is loaded with jump ropes, balls, bases, craft supplies, science supplies and fitness equipment. All programming is made possible by the Cities of Mankato, Eagle Lake and the Blue Earth County Library.

Rec on the GO!

TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS AFTERNOONS- MANKATO

June 20 - Wings Over White Oak - 1-3 pm June 22 - Alexander Park - 1-3 pm June 27 - Lions Park - 1-3 pm June 29 - Trail Creek - 1-3 pm July 11 - Sibley Park Apartments 1-3 pm July 13 - Highland Park 1-3 pm July 20 - Sibley Park - 1-3 pm July 20 - Sibley Park - 1-3 pm July 25 - Washington Park - 1-3 pm July 27 - Doublin Crossing Townhomes - 1-3 pm August 1 - Stolzman Park - 1-3 pm 'August 3 - Hiniker Park - 1-3 pm ''Learn to fish'' August 8 - Franklin Elementary - 1-3 pm

WEDNESDAYS MORNING & AFTERNOONS EAGLE LAKE

June 14 - Eagle Lake Elementary - 4:30-6:30 pm June 21 - Lake Eagle Park - 9:30-11:30 am June 28 - Eagle Heights - 4:30-6:30 pm July 12 - Lake Eagle Park - 9:50-11:50 am July 19- Eagle Lake Elementary - 4:30-6:30 pm July 26 - Fraze Park - 4:30-6:30 pm August 2 - Eagle Heights - 9:30-11:30 am August 9 - Eagle Lake Elementary - 4:30-6:30 pm

PlayZone

TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS MORNING & AFTERNOONS - MANKATO

June 20- University Park - 11 am-12 pm June 22- Erlandson Park - 11 am -12 pm June 27- East Port Apartments park - 11 am-12 pm June 29 - Pepple Creek Park - 11 am-12 pm July 11- Mankato West Park - 11 am-12 pm July 13- Heritage Estates- 11 am-12 pm July 13- Heritage Estates- 11 am-12 pm July 25- Columbia Park- 3:30-4:30 pm July 25- Columbia Park- 3:30-4:30 pm July 27 Pond View Heights - 11 am-12 pm August 1 - South View Park - 11 am-12 pm August 10 - Colonial Square Apartments - 11 am-12 pm

PlayZone is an extension of Rec on the Go that offers active/physical games and activities only. **PlayZone**

with Blue Earth County Library

Sibley Park, July 11, 6-7 pm - Brodini Sibley Park, July 20, 10:30 am-12 pm - Rosies Posies Sibley Park, July 25, 10:30 am - 12 pm - City on the Go Sibley Park, August 3, 10:30 am -12 pm - Get crafty with the Mankato Makerspace





STAY CONNECTED





MEDALLION HUNT

Medallion Hunt Clues will be posted in town around noon, and on Facebook later in the day. **Find the Medallion and get \$50.** Thank you to Olson Chiropractic for hosting and sponsoring this event!

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BUTTONS

Purchase buttons for \$2 at local businesses. Show your button at the Legion for **FREE FRENCH FRIES while supplies last!** Starts at 2pm Saturday.

SUNDAY 7/9			
11am Check-in 12pm Tee off	Golf Tournament at Prairie Ridge Golf Course Register at the Legion		
4pm	Miss Eagle Lake Coronation Little Miss Tator Tot and Mr Fry Guy Coronation 🔺		
WEDNESD	AY 7/12	2	
6-8pm	Free! Pickleball for Beginners Youth and adults welcome, and equipment is provided! Eagle Lake Elementary School		
THURSDA	1 7/13		
6-9pm	Music on Parkway Stacy K and Band ELFD will be serving hot dogs & brats - free will donation!		
FRIDAY 7/	4		
6pm Registration 6:30pm Start	Pedal Pull ● Also onsite (at Fire Dept): Making Faces Mankato Tropical Sno Mankato		
7-11pm	Bar Trivia 🔺		
LEGEND			
American Legion		Eagle's Nest	
★ Eagle Lake Elementary		● Eagle Lake Fire Hall	
Eagle Lake City Park		Parkway	

SATURDAY 7/15		
8-11am	Pancake Breakfast ● Free will donation	
8am 9am	Tator Days 5K Kids 1 Mile Race ★	
1pm	Tator Days Parade See Facebook for route map	
2pm	Free French Fries Show your button at the Legion for free french fries starting at 2pm and continuing while supplies last. Thank you to Denny Terrell and ReMax Dynamic Agents for your sponsorship Loaded French Fries for \$6/boat!	
2-4pm	Free! Kid's Activities & Goofy Goat Farm Zip Zap Ice Cream ●	
3pm	Duke Burger Eating Contest Contact the Eagle's Nest to register in advance	
3:30pm	Family Big Bucks Bingo 🔺	
Register by 4:30pm 5pm Bags Fly	Race to 21 Cornhole Tournament A Register at the legion	
8:30pm	Street Dance ● Smokescreen	

SUNDAY 7/16

12:30pm Registration Cribbage Tourney 1pm Cards Fly

MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR ASH TREES

Emerald ash borer (EAB) infestations are difficult to identify in the early stages of the infestation. EAB infestation areas grow via human-assisted movement and through natural dispersion. For these reasons, when new EAB infestations are discovered, quarantines are enacted on a large scale (county) with the assumption that the infestation is spread beyond what is observed. While EAB has not been observed in Eagle Lake yet, Blue Earth County is currently under a quarantine of ash trees and it is a matter of time before it is confirmed in city limits. Best management practices should be followed in managing ash trees in Blue Earth County, especially during the active period of **May 1st-September 30th**.

https://www.mda.state.mn.us/best-management-practices-eab

MESSAGE FROM **POLICE CHIEF JOHN KOPP** AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATVs)

The speed limit for ATVs in City limits is **10 mph**. ATVs should not be operated in a careless or reckless manner. A helmet is required to be worn by anyone under the age of 18 riding on an ATV. All applicable state statutes and laws regarding ATV usage apply within the boundaries of the City of Eagle Lake.



FIREWORKS

We have received numerous complaints about illegal fireworks being set off within city limits. **Fireworks that are aerial and explosive are illegal in Minnesota.** If you are caught with illegal fireworks, you may be subject to a fine and/or jail time.



POSTED SPEED LIMITS

Please be aware of posted speed limits within city limits and be extra cautious with more children outside riding bikes and scooters. Speed limits are actively enforced to keep everyone safe.

TALL GRASS

It is a violation of City Code to have grass taller than **6 inches in height**. Please cut your grass before it gets taller than 6 inches to keep the community looking nice.

DOGS

Keep dogs on leashes and pick up after them. It is against code to allow a dog to run at large. All dogs should be leashed when not restrained on private property. You must pick up your dog waste. If you fail to do so, you may be cited for failing to obey the city ordinances.



SCOOP THE POOP

WHAT'S SO BAD ABOUT DOG WASTE?

Pet waste contains harmful bacteria, parasites, and nutrients that do not belong in surface waters and can be harmful to humans as well as other pets and wildlife. Rain and melting snow carry these pollutants from yards and park areas to local creeks, ponds, and lakes. Bacteria and other parasites found in pet waste, such as Salmonella, Giardia, and Roundworms, can survive for long periods when left on the ground. Reducing the amount of pet waste that ends up in our local surface waters will help improve water quality by decreasing the amount of nutrients that algae thrive on.

No matter how cute your dog is, it is contributing to the pollution problem if you are not actively on dog 'doo-dy'. Dog owners can easily and economically manage dog waste by cleaning up after your dog. By doing so, you help keep our waters safe and aesthetically pleasing.



AND DON'T FORGET PICK UP THE PET WASTE IN YOUR OWN YARD

YOU CAN HELP

SCOUT IT

Make sure you are keeping an eye on your dog and always clean up their waste.

SCOOP IT

Always have a plastic bag with you when you are walking the dog. Use the bag as a glove to pick up the dog waste. Scoop it up and turn the bag inside out around the waste.

DISPOSE IT

Properly dispose of dog waste by putting it in a trash can.

NEVER THROW DOG WASTE DOWN A STORM DRAIN.

DOG LICENSES

Per Eagle Lake code, all dogs within city limits must be licensed. Once licensed, please be sure that your dog wears its metal tag that is issued with the dog license. This helps the police identify where a dog lives so that it can be returned home if lost versus being impounded.



Please call or stop by City Hall to obtain a dog license application if your dog is not currently licensed.

Replacement tags are available at **NO CHARGE** if a tag is lost or damaged.

REGION NINE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REGIONAL BUS TOUR

Eagle Lake was the first stop for the Region Nine Development Commission's 2023 Regional Bus Tour on June 21st. While in Eagle Lake, Alejandra Bejarano and Nate George with Region Nine Development Commission presented an overview of the Eagle Lake Strategic Economic Development Plan that was developed in 2022. City Administrator Jennifer Bromeland spoke about the strategic plan and the City's partnership with Region Nine Development Commission. The Strategic Economic Development Plan would not have been possible but for a generous \$10,000 grant from the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation (SMIF) and its Small-Town Grant Program. During the bus tour stop, Eagle Lake was presented with a "Partner in Progress" award from Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission for its participation in the Region Nine Development Commission 2023 Regional Bus Tour.



Pictured (from left to right): Eagle Lake's new Community Development Coordinator Olivia Adomabea, R9 Executive Director Nicole Griensewic, Eagle Lake City Administrator Jennifer Bromeland, and R9 Economic Development Planner Alejandra Bejarano.

EAGLE LAKE PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

The City of Eagle Lake was notified in April 2023 that its Transportation Alternatives (TA) project application was selected for funding through the Minnesota Department of Transportation District 7 Area Transportation Partnership 2027 solicitation. For purposes of providing background, a TA funding request was submitted in January 2023. The TA program was awarded \$475,982 in federal grant funds towards the construction cost of the trail & sidewalk project. The total estimated construction cost is \$917,978. Of this amount, the local share is \$441,996, which will be split 50:50 between the City of Eagle Lake and Blue Earth County. Additional grant funding will be sought to help offset the local share. The project scope consists of installing a pedestrian crosswalk with a push button activated Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon system at Thomas Drive and CSAH 27 (Agency Street), the new construction of a shared use path along the east side CSAH 27 (Agency Street) from 211th Street to Thomas Drive, two sidewalk segments – one along the east side of CSAH 27 (Agency Street) from Thomas Drive to Blace Avenue and one on the north side of 211th Street from Agency Street (CSAH 27) to Maple Ln. Construction is tentatively slated for 2026.

HIGHWAY 14 CORRIDOR STUDY

Ongoing safety concerns persist along US Highway 14 within Eagle Lake and the adjacent corridor. The City of Eagle Lake has submitted a 2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Project Application to the Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization (MAPO) to complete a Highway 14 corridor study from County Road 12 to Minnesota Highway 60. The purpose of the study is to provide study partners (City of Eagle Lake, Blue Earth County, MnDOT District 7, MAPO) a systematic understanding of travel patterns and highway performance in the present and future as Eagle Lake and the surrounding areas continue to develop. Gathered information will then be used to help identify which safety improvements could be pursued, both in the near and long term. If the project application is approved for funding, the anticipated timeframe to complete a corridor study ranges between 18-24 months. An update of the funding status of the Highway 14 Corridor Study will follow in the Fall 2023 City of Eagle Lake newsletter.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

City officials continue to meet with local legislators to talk about the need to secure funding for the construction of a new Water Treatment Facility. Eagle Lake is looking at an estimated \$12.5 million project cost to construct a new water treatment facility. A new water treatment facility is needed to address water quality issues, including high levels of manganese. We cannot treat manganese with our current system. This project will not be possible without grant and loan funding. An updated request was submitted to Minnesota Public Facilities Authority asking that Eagle Lake's project be placed on the 2024 Intended Use Plan for the Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund.

To learn more about the Water Treatments Improvements project, please visit **www.eaglelakemn.com**.

BUILDING AND ZONING PERMITS

Permits are required for almost all construction projects INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO

BUILDING PERMIT

New Homes • Garages • Additions • Decks • Windows Roofing • Siding • Sheds (Over 200 Square Feet) • Etc. A building permit is also required for any building being moved onto a lot or any building being demolished.

ZONING PERMIT

Sheds (200 Square Feet or Less) • Patios • Fences



PLEASE CONTACT CITY HALL AT 507-257-3218 WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

The building and zoning permit application form is available on the City's website or can be obtained at City Hall during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.).

CALL BEFORE DIGGING

Gopher State One Call 1-800-252-1166 or 811 Protect yourselves and your property against underground utility damage and liability. Before digging, anyone in Minnesota must call Gopher State One Call (GSOC) and find out where underground utility lines might be buried (no cost).

STORMWATER POLLUTANTS

KEEP GRASS CLIPPINGS AND YARD WASTE OUT OF THE STREET AND GUTTERS PLEASE DO NOT BLOW GRASS CLIPPINGS INTO THE STREET

Yard waste is a major source of pollution in surface waters. That is because it is filled with phosphorous — both artificial and naturally occurring — that feeds algae. Algal blooms can cause health problems for humans and wildlife and create some unsightly and foul-smelling water bodies.

PLEASE REMEMBER

The only thing that should be going into storm drains is water from rain and melting snow.

BASIC FACTS ABOUT STORMWATER PONDS

- Stormwater ponds are used in an area where land is altered, and additional runoff is generated due to a reduction in permeable surface.
- Ponds that are in neighborhoods or backyards generally serve a larger area than just the adjacent properties, by means of collecting street runoff with underground pipes and directing all the runoff from a development or neighborhood to one location.
- The ponds help to treat stormwater and water quality (pollutants within the water). This is based on federal, state, and local regulations. The overall goal of these regulations is to help protect our natural resources and to prevent downstream impacts.
- The main purpose of ponds is to help control and treat stormwater. They are not intended for aesthetics but can serve this purpose as an added benefit.
- Ponds are inspected on a regular basis (every 5 years, or as needed) to ensure functionality. The inlets, outlets, depth, and other attributes are reviewed to confirm that they are working properly.

Property owners that are directly adjacent to these ponds are asked to leave a

10 FOOT BUFFER AROUND THE POND

This buffer helps to slow down water, catching sediment, fertilizer, and other types of runoff/contaminants.

• **STORMWATER PONDS ARE NOT INTENDED FOR RECREATIONAL USE.** The contaminants collected in these areas are not suited for swimming.

Working together and understanding the purpose for stormwater ponds helps protect the environment and benefits neighborhoods.

HELP KEEP STORM DRAINS CLEAN

Keeping contaminants out of stormwater requires effort from everybody. You can help by keeping grass clippings out of the street, using phosphorus-free lawn fertilizer, picking up litter when you see it, and by not disposing of any hazardous materials in storm drains.



BETTER CAR WASHING PRACTICE

When possible, consider taking your car to a commercial car wash. Commercial car washes are required to dispose of their wastewater properly, ensuring that it's cleaned and treated. If you wash your car at home, try to do it in a grassy area where the water will soak into the ground instead of running into the street and eventually into the storm sewer.

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with questions.

FIRE DEPT.



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NOW HIRING

Full-Time & Part-Time **Police Officer**

Apply Now!



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Dustin Jensen Full-Time Officer

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Jerry Haber Seasonal Public Works Worker

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PUBLIC WORKS