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# The Arlington Report



## Mitigating Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) with MNDNR Grant

The City of Arlington has recently qualified for an EAB (Emerald Ash Borer) grant from the MNDNR. This grant is intended to help communities such as ours with a large population of ash trees mitigate the devastating effects from the invasive pest. A recent survey found over 40% of Arlington's tree population are ash. Also, Sibley County has recently been quarantined as an EAB infested county, along with surrounding counties. Once established in a community, EAB can devastate the population of ash trees within a couple of years. The City will be enacting a management strategy that will largely include the removal and replacement of older declining ash trees in boulevards.

Homeowners should also take seriously EAB if they have ash trees in their yards. Information on EAB and options for approaching this issue with your own tree is also available at arlingtonmn.com, Arlington Facebook, or by visiting the website below.

To learn more on EAB: https://extension.umn.edu/tree-and-shrub-insects/emerald-ash-borers

#### Tree Removal Services:

L & E Tree Service- 507-382-3553 Carr's Tree Service- 888-470-3355 Bob Shanahan- 320-510-1417

Google- "tree services near me"

### **EAB Treatment options:**

Trugreen- 612-685-5992 Rainbow Tree Care- 952-922-3810 Google- "eab treatment near me"

#### ELECTED OFFICIALS

Rich Nagel—Mayor
Michelle Battcher—Council Member
Joe Morgan—Council Member
Matt Scharpe—Council Member
John Thomes—Council Member
Dave Meyer—Council Member

#### APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Amy Newsom—City Administrator/EDA Director

Lisa Tesch—Deputy Clerk
Philip Mangis III—P&Z Administrator/CC
Kirby Weckworth—Maint, Supervisor
Daniel Hughes—Maint, Worker
Denley Kompelien—Interim Police Chief
Jason Lenertz—Police Officer
Max Brewer—Police Officer
Vicki Pomplun—Police Admin, Asst

#### **CONTRACTED SERVICES**

Ross Arneson—City Attorney
Kenneth Jansen—Prosecuting Attorney
Darin Haslip—Building Inspector
PeopleService—Water/Wastewater
Jason Femrite (Bolton & Menk)—
City Engineer

#### **PHONE NUMBERS**

City Hall: 964-2378 Fax Line: 964-5973

#### After-Hours On-Call: 507-327-6601

Fire Garage: 964-2279
Police Dept.: 964-5200
Library: 964-2490
Hospital: 964-2271
S.E. School: 964-2292
Post Office: 964-5503

#### OTHER SERVICES

Water/Sewer/Electric Services
City of Arlington (964-2378)
Gas Service
CenterPoint Energy (800-245-2377)
Cable Service

Mediacom (800-332-0245)
Internet/Phone Service

Frontier (800-435-1504)

Garbage Services

Waste Management (800-422-5785) Renville-Sibley Sanitation (507-834-6168)

Gaylord Sanitation (507-237-2274)

## **COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic**

Sibley County Public Health and Human Services continues to offer COVID-19 Moderna vaccination clinics. The next clinic is scheduled for Thursday, April 21 from 1:00 - 4:00 pm at the Sibley County Service Center, 1118th St., Gaylord. Pre-registration is required to guarantee your vaccine dose. Register online at www.co.sibley.mn.us or by calling Sibley County Public Health and Human Services at (507) 237-4000.

## **April Meetings**

April 4 - City Council Workshop at 5:30 pm

April 4 – City Council at 6:30 pm

April 7- P&Z at 7 pm

April 14-15- Holy Thursday/Good Friday

April 11 – EDA at 5:30 pm

April 18 – City Council at 6:30 pm

April 25- Cemetery Committee at 6 pm

April 25 – Parks Committee at 7 pm



For more information, please call 507-964-2828 or apply online at www.arlingtonmn.com/careers/



The City of Arlington is also currently hiring for a Chief of Police, Firefighters, an Administrative Assistant, and an Intern! Check out our website at www.arlingtonmn.com/careers to see the postings.

## Who is responsible for a water line break?



The City of Arlington is responsible for the water main lines that are in place in the streets, rights-ofway, and easements.

The landowner is responsible for installation of the water service line from the City's water main, up to and including any plumbing on/in the service user's property. The landowner is responsible for the April 21- A-GI Wastewater at 7 pm in Arlington maintenance, repair or replacement of all components of the supply system from the shut-off valve to and including the internal plumbing system of the property. This includes the service tap/corporation valve, water service line, curb stop or service valve outside the property, the water line extending into the house and likewise any valves or plumbing thereafter.

> Any service tap completed into the City's water main will be witnessed and approved by the City for quality of workmanship.

Any water fittings, valves or water line will be of an approved type that is normally used within the City or as approved by the City and/or is specified by the City's engineer.

The City will attempt to locate the water main and shut-off valve to the best of its ability. The City cannot guarantee the location of the water main until it is located through excavation.

Landowners will have 30 days from the date o. notification from the City Administrator to make any necessary repairs. If the repairs are not made within 30 days, the City will make the necessary repairs and bill the landowner.