

City of Hayward Newsletter

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Hayward routinely monitors for the presence of drinking water contaminants. One such contaminant is gross alpha. The maximum allowable contaminant level is 15.4 pCi/L. Hayward's recent testing results were 23 pCi/L.

Gross alpha is colorless, tasteless, and odorless in drinking water and testing is the only way to identify its presence in drinking water. Drinking elevated levels of gross alpha can increase the risk of adverse health effects. If you have specific health concerns, speak with your doctor about it.

Gross alpha occurs naturally within ground water. Southeastern MN, in general, has higher amounts of gross alpha. **THIS IS NOT AN EMERGENCY.** You do not need an alternate source of water, such as bottled water. The MN Department of Health requires this information to be posted. There is a posting available on the bulletin board outside the post office.

Home water treatment units are available to reduce gross alpha, including water softening, reverse osmosis, and distillation.

We're excited to announce that Hayward's new city website is officially live! You can now access it at www.cityofhaywardmn.gov. While we're still in the process of adding a few remaining documents and refining some details, the site is largely up-to-date and ready to serve you.

This launch marks the end of what has been a nail-biting year in getting our city's online presence ready to serve you. We encourage everyone to check out the site and stay tuned for updates.

Residents with Sump Pumps!

Don't forget you must drain your sump pump outside NOT down the sanitary sewer (from within your house). The lift station becomes overburdened.

ANNUAL CITY CLEAN-UP DAY! SAT. MAY 17th FREE Dumpster 8 a.m.-12 p.m. —Items not allowed:

- Yard waste
- Liquids
- Paints
- Solvents
- Fluorescent Tubes
- Tires
- Batteries
- Asbestos
- Needles
- Sharps
- Motor Oil & Filters
- Hazardous Waste
- Cement
- Computers/TVs
- Household Chemicals

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Hey Hayward Neighbors!

Work has begun on the old school property, recently purchased by the city. Thanks to a generous donation from the former Hayward Booster's Club, funds are being used for asbestos removal, demolition, debris clearing, and the removal of diseased elm trees. Once cleaned up, the site will become an addition to the city park. Be sure to thank the former Booster's Club members for their support!

Spring means PROJECTS! Whether you're planning to build a shed, add a deck on to your home, pour a cement patio, build an addition, you **MUST obtain permission**, attend a council meeting to explain your plans, etc. Complete & return a Construction Authorization form (available at City Office). In some cases you will be directed Freeborn County.

REMINDER!

Please do not flush

paper towels, facial tissues, baby wipes, flushable wipes, sanitary napkins, and other similar items down the toilet. These products can cause sanitary sewer backups, and additional public health concerns.

It's Spring!

Watch for kids at play!

Have a Blessed Easter!

Dog owners, your pet must be leashed and restrained while out side. Your dog may not run into other neighbors' yards. Also, while walking your dog, you must pick up your dog's droppings and properly dispose of them. **Thank you!**