Bridgewater Township Newsletter

December 2024

Comus Industrial Park / CORE X Partners Project Status

At the November Town Meeting, CORE X received a Conditional Use Permit and a Variance for the height of the building. They plan to start construction this April. CORE X has not yet received a building permit. Assuming the weather is cooperative, the construction will be completed in April 2026. This first building will be 204,000 square feet and 61 feet high. Once construction is completed it takes about 3 months to cool the refrigerated areas and check out the mechanical systems. They expect to be open for business in July 2026. The Township has received \$1.6 million in Federal funds to rebuild 140th Street to a 10-ton standard road. That reconstruction is expected to begin in March 2026. The Township will be bonding for about \$1 million to pay for required infrastructure – primarily sewer, water and optical fiber. The property taxes from CORE X will cover the bond payments. CORE X has received a MNDOT grant for \$1.9 million for the rail siding.

March Bridgewater Township Election

The annual election and meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 11th, 2025. This election will include one of the five Supervisor positions and the Treasurer position. Candidates that would like to apply for the position of Supervisor or Treasurer need to obtain and submit the forms between December 31st and January 14th at 5:00 pm. Please contact the Clerk for copies of the forms and for further information regarding the positions.

> -One Supervisor "B" – 3-year term -One Treasurer – 2-year term

Township Website

The Township is in the process of updating its current website. It is the hope of the Township that this update will provide much more ease of access and use to those that visit the site. Keep an eye out for the updated site. We hope to have it up and running early 2025. www.bridgewatertwp.org

Snow Removal and Mailboxes

The Township snow removal/sanding trucks will be out as soon as possible following a 2" snow event. Following a wet snow, the weight of the snow being thrown into the ditch can exceed 500 lbs. Older

wooden mailbox supports are sometimes not able to withstand this pressure and may topple over. Mailboxes and mailbox supports are the property of the resident. The most important features of a mailbox installed according to MN DOT recommendations and placed on a rural roadway includes the following:

- 1. The post is located a minimum of three feet from the edge of the road shoulder
- 2. The front of the mailbox is located above the edge of the shoulder
- 3. The bottom of the box is between 42" and 48" above the shoulder
- 4. The installation can pivot or rotate in some fashion when the snow or snowplow blade hits the mailbox.

If, during plowing, a mailbox is tipped or knocked over by the weight of the snow, it is the resident's responsibility to enact repairs. If you believe your mailbox was hit by Township equipment, please complete the mailbox reimbursement form which can be found on the Township's website or one can be provided from the clerk and return to the address indicated. Please remember that reimbursement will only be permitted when direct contact has occurred between the mailbox and plow blade.

Building Permits in the Township

Permits for roofing, siding, and window replacement are available over the counter at the Bridgewater Town Hall Office. Permits for maintenance, remodeling and new building are required in the Township. Permit applications are available online at our website: <u>bridgewatertwp.org</u>. Building inspections are handled by Inspectron. If you need an inspection for a current building project, please call 651-322-6626 to set up an inspection time.

Bridgewater Township Contact Information

Bridgewater Town Hall 500 Railway Street PO Box 246 Dundas, MN 55019

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW OFFICE HOURS:

Office hours: Monday – Tuesday: BY APPOINTMENT Wednesday: 10:00am – 1:00pm Thursday: 1:00pm-4:00pm Friday: CLOSED If you wish to make an appointment on Monday's or Tuesday's please email <u>clerk@bridgewatertwp.org</u> or call 507-645-1656

> Clerk Email: <u>clerk@bridgewatertwp.org</u> Board Email: <u>board@bridgewatertwp.org</u> Township Website: <u>www.bridgewatertwp.org</u> Office Phone Number: 507-645-1656