



White Bear Township Report

Township's Annual Meeting March 9

White Bear Township residents should mark their calendars and attend the Township's Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting will be held at 8 p.m., Tues., March 9th, 2010, at Otter Lake Elementary School located at County Road H-2 and Otter Lake Road.

The Annual Meeting is a gathering of the residents. It's not a Town Board meeting. The Town's residents have the power and the responsibility to elect a moderator to run the meeting; discuss outstanding issues; announce Town Board election results; and vote on a maximum preliminary levy for

2011. Township officials, however, attend the meeting to answer questions residents may have.

The Annual Meeting Agenda will be posted on the Town's web site when complete.

Election

Prior to the Annual Meeting, residents will cast their votes for Town Board Supervisor. Polls will be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day. Election results will be announced during the Annual Meeting.

Budget Meeting - Dec. 1, 2009

White Bear Township's Special Town Budget Meeting was held at 7 p.m., Tues., Dec. 1, 2009 at Heritage Hall, located at 4200 Otter

Lake Road. White Bear Township. Resident Tom Horak was chosen by Town residents to moderate the Special Town Budget Meeting. Finance Officer Jessie Hart presented the 2010 Proposed Budget.

The 2010 levy approved by the residents results in a tax rate of 17.564%, which is slightly higher than the rate for 2009 of 16.927% (an increase of 3.775%). The desire to maintain a high level of services to Town resident's coupled with the second year of decreases in tax capacity and the un-allotment of more than \$143,000 in Market Value Homestead Credit by the Governor in 2009 and 2010 attributed to the tax rate increase.

Polling Places

Polls will be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tues., March 9th.

Precinct I: Otter Lake Elementary School, 1401 Co. Rd. H-2.

Precinct II: Eagle Brook Church, 2401 Buffalo Street.

Precinct III: South Shore Lutheran Church, 2480 South Shore Blvd.

Precinct IV: Heritage Hall, 4200 Otter Lake Road.

A copy of the Adopted 2010 Budget is available on the Township's web site at www.ci.white-bear-township.mn.us.

Town Board Chair Running Unopposed



Town Board Chair Dick Sand is running unopposed in the Town's

Election on Tues., March 9th.

Sand, a lifelong resident of White Bear Township, is an attorney in private practice in St. Paul.

He has served on the Town Board for more than 30 years. Among his many accomplishments, he helped to

expand the Township's parks and public utilities system in addition to building the Township's administrative offices and public works facility.

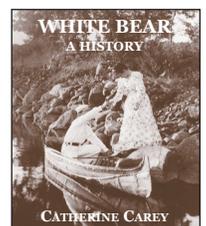
For voter registration information, visit www.ci.white-bear-township.mn.us or call (651) 747-2750.

History Book Signing to follow Annual Meeting

Author Catherine Carey will sign her history book, "White Bear: A History," immediately following White Bear Township's Annual Meeting.

The history book is a comprehensive look at 150 years of Township history. It will be available for purchase on site for \$49.95 (plus tax).

The history book is also available at the Township's Administrative Office, The Depot, Lake Country Booksellers and other area stores.



Township Welcomes Public Works Director Says Goodbye To Longtime Employee



Reed

White Bear Township recently appointed Dale Reed to serve as its first Public Works Director in more than 15 years. Reed will start working for the

Township on March 3.

Please join us in welcoming him to White Bear Township.

Reed comes to the Township after serving five years as the Park Maintenance Supervisor for the City of Brooklyn Park, and 14 years with the City of New Hope, where he worked his way through the ranks to Operations Manager. He also has extensive construction experience.

Reed was selected from a group of five finalists, all of whom had excellent credential and experience. The Township received a total of 37 applications when the position was advertised in October.

Reed has extensive experience in public works administration with an emphasis on overall supervision and operations planning, including

streets, parks, water, wastewater and storm water operations.

He currently holds Class B Water Supply System Operator and a Class C Wastewater Facility Operator licenses as well as many other licenses and certifications that will benefit the public works operations of the Township. Further, he has degrees in business administration and public administration.

Kalisch Retiring

Mike Kalisch, like many other Township Public Works employees, started working for the Township as a part-time seasonal worker.

Kalisch was hired as a full-time public works maintenance worker on Dec. 1, 1977. That was more than 32 years ago and he has now decided it is time to enter the next phase of his life: "retirement."

Kalisch will be retiring from White Bear Township after over 32 years of service to the community. His last day will be on March 26.

While Kalisch has specialized in the parks development and maintenance area for over several years, he also participated in many of the other public works activities on an on-going basis. He is well-versed in all aspects of parks, streets, water, wastewater and storm water and all

of the challenges that go along with operating and maintaining the Town's infrastructure.

When Kalisch started full-time in 1977, the public works facility was located on Centerville Road. The Town Administrative Office's were located in the basement of the then Town Clerk's home. The Township had several employees at the time – most part time. He was the 3rd full-time employee in public works. During Kalisch's years of service to the Township he has seen many changes to the Town's equipment, facilities and infrastructure. Some of those changes are:

1977 – 10 parks; 70 Acres

2010 – 26 parks; 172.33 Acres

1977 – Population 5,921

2010 – Population 12,000

1988 – New Public Works Building

1996 – New Administrative Building

1999 – Polar Lakes Community Park

2006 – Public Works Building – addition

Good luck, Mike!



Kalisch

Other Township News

- **Animal Licenses.** Township dog licenses are set to expire on March 31, 2010. The cost for a two-year license is \$20.00 if obtained prior to April 30, 2010; \$30.00 after that date. Proof of rabies vaccination in the form of a Rabies Certificate must be presented at the time of license renewal/purchase. License applications are available on the Township's web site at www.ci.white-bear-township.mn.us.
- **Rabies Vaccination Clinic.** In conjunction with the renewal of White Bear Township's dog licenses, Lake Animal Hospital, 5900 Highway 61, White Bear Township, will be holding a rabies vaccination clinic on Sat., March 20, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rabies vaccinations will be provided at a cost of \$18.00. Other vaccinations given will receive a 10% discount. And a representative from White Bear Township will be on hand to issue dog licenses.
- **Otter Lake School Carnival.** White Bear Township's Public Safety Commission will host a public safety booth at the 22nd Annual Otter Lake School Carnival next month. The Carnival will be held on Fri., April 17th from 6 p.m. to 8:30 pm. Stop by the Public Safety Commission booth to win free prizes!
- **Trash to Treasure Day.** White Bear Township will hold its 3rd Annual "Trash to Treasure Day" on Sat., April 24th. The City of White Bear Lake will hold its Annual "Trash to Treasure Day" on the same day. Residents wishing to participate may put useable items they're no longer interested in owning out on the curb for others to pick up at no charge.