

COMMUNITYLINK NEWSLETTER

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WATER SERVICE LINES INVENTORY

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Preventing Frozen Service Lines—Check Water Temp



The city will monitor water temperature at specific locations within the system, when the temperature reaches 38 degrees, the city will notify the public to monitor their water temperatures coming into the homes and businesses. If you are concerned about your pipes freezing, monitor the water temperature in your home or business.

To properly test your water temperature in your home or business, go to the faucet closest to where the water service comes into the building (usually in the basement). Set an indoor / outdoor thermometer (not a food thermometer) inside a cup under the faucet and run the water continuously into a cup for

approximately 10 minutes. After running the water on the thermometer in the cup for 10 minutes check the reading.

If the water temperature is 38 degrees Fahrenheit or lower, it is recommended to run water with a stream diameter of a pencil lead. Generally, a stream the diameter of a pencil lead is sufficient to avoid freezing but, the farther your water temperature falls below 38 degrees, the stronger the stream may need to be.

Once the water temperature reaches 38 degrees or below, it is likely this may not be a short-term situation as it will take multiple days, possibly weeks, before the frost levels decrease and the risk of freezing has passed. If you are requested by the city to run water, your utility bill will be adjusted. Should you decide to run water, please notify City Hall so that your account can be marked as such. The City does not thaw out frozen service lines.

For questions call City Hall: Mon-Fri 8:00-4:30, City Hall 507-867-3810

Sidewalks Need to Stay Clean & Safe

Sidewalks need to be cleared as quickly as possible after a snowfall but no later than 24 hours after the snowfall has stopped. Clean the corners, too, so people can safely get onto the sidewalk from the street. In case a little sand is helpful to keep the public sidewalk in front of your home safe, residents are allowed to pick up a small bucket of sand from the City's sand pile, located at 315 Third Street SW (across from Groen Park). Thank you for helping to keep the sidewalks safe and accessible!!

Water Service Line Inventory Information

The City of Chatfield has sent out second notices to the property owners who may need to replace their water lines. The city crew will need to look at your water line to verify the material you may have. If you have received one of these letter, please contact the city.

To complete the service line inventory of our system, our team reviewed records from the most recent water meter replacement project. As of July 12, 2024, our inventory contains no lead lines, 29 galvanized lines requiring replacement, no unknown material, and 1146 non-lead service lines. The City of Chatfield has completed and submitted our service line materials inventory to the Minnesota Department of Health. The service line inventory is publicly available and you can check the materials for your service line by visiting the Lead Inventory Tracking Tool (LITT) at https://maps.umn.edu/LSL/. Contact us at 507-867-3810 or by email at rpriebe@ci.chatfield.mn.us.

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