



# HARTLAND HERALD

January 2022 Newsletter

## THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who came together as a community after the tornado that touched down on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Hartland will go down in history as experiencing one of the first tornados to ever occur in December in Minnesota's recorded history. (As of late December, SIXTEEN have now been reported in Minnesota from 12/15/21, the strongest having occurred in Hartland – an EF-2 with wind speeds of 115 mph and a peak width of 55 yards)

We are so appreciative of all the volunteers that helped with the clean up of various damage and debris. The City would also like to thank in no particular order: those who have donated to the City to offer relief, those that donated to Hartland Express Mart to cover the food given to volunteers, the volunteers that made and served food at Bent Tree Wind Farm, Bent Tree Wind Farm for offering a place to gather, Hartland Fire Dept, Freeborn County Sheriff Dept, local electricians, Xcel Energy and their linemen for getting the power back on as soon as possible, City staff member Andy Flatness and Mayor Kelly Routh for their response and call to action as soon as the weather was safe, and all residents that offered help, shelter, and food to their neighbors. There are MANY more people to thank. It is absolutely amazing the way this community has come together!

## CHANGES TO CITY BUSINESS

**Arcadian Bank** will be closed until further notice. Members can still do their regular banking at the branches in Albert Lea and Freeborn.

**You may notice** that water bill checks are taking longer to clear, now that City deposits need to be taken to Albert Lea. Payments will still be posted to water bill accounts in a timely manner. You can pay online via Doxo, which is free with your routing and account number. Small fees apply to payments made via credit or debit card.

**Post Office** will be closed until further notice. The rural route will remain the same, but PO Box mail can be picked up at the post office in New Richland. Currently the City is working with the USPS to set up an emergency post office quarters in Hartland. Updates will be posted on Facebook and future newsletters as they are available.

**Food Shelf.** The Area Food Shelf of New Richland is happy to help ANYONE that needs this holiday season. For more information, call (507) 461-9253 or find them on Facebook. Located at 101 Broadway Ave S in New Richland.

**Donations** can be mailed to the City at "City of Hartland, PO Box 487 Hartland, MN 56042" or placed in the drop box to offer relief from disaster clean up and related costs. Please designate that it is a donation. We appreciate all who have extended a helping hand.

### City Council Meeting News

-The City passed a 0% levy increase for 2022.

-The designated polling place for 2022 will be the Community Center.

**"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members."**  
-Coretta Scott King

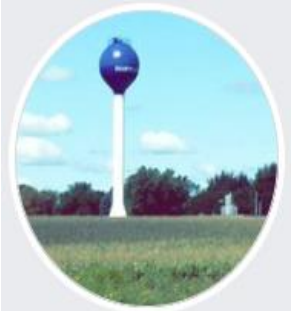


### UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next city council meetings will be January 10<sup>th</sup> and February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. The public is encouraged to attend.

**PAY ONLINE**

Pay your water bill online at [hartlandmn.com](http://hartlandmn.com) via the green \$Doxo Bill Pay button



City of Hartland, MN



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Office Hours: Monday 5:00pm-7:00pm Tuesday 11:00am-1:00pm