

2016 A.R.M. Meeting Information

Where: Brooklyn
Center City Hall—
Council Chambers

When: Second
Thursday every other
month starting in
January

Time: 10am -11 am
(unless otherwise noted)

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September 8
November 10

2017 Schedule

January 12
March 9

Discussion topics to be
Determined

At This Month's A.R.M. Meeting...

Becky Boie, Crime Prevention Specialist, from the Brooklyn Center Police Department will be presenting on City ordinance 12-911—Conduct on Licensed Premises.

Becky will explain how police calls for service are dispatched, coding based on what happened at the property, and how specific types of calls affect the rental license determination.

Becky will also explain the next steps when a police call for service is validated and a violation letter is sent. She will explain the responsibility that the landlord or property manager has in addressing the validated nuisance with the tenant. Further she will also explain what actions and options that the Police department and City has when there has been no response from the owner or property manager.



Fall Clean Up

The City does not pick up yard waste such as leaves, brush, or grass clippings. Tenants should not rake leaves or bring brush to the curb or street. Leaves can clog storm sewers and contaminate lakes and streams.

Owners, property managers, and/or tenants are responsible for proper disposal of yard waste. Residents may properly dispose of leaves and grass clippings by creating a compost pile in accordance with ordinance 7-102. Another option is to contact your local trash hauler to have the yard waste picked up with the trash. The hauler may charge a fee and fees may vary.

A **FREE** option to Brooklyn Center residents is the Maple Grove Yard Waste Site. A picture ID is required. The yard waste site will be open till November 30.

For more information regarding proper disposal or location, visit www.mgyardwaste.com. Additional information is available at www.hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/yard-tree-waste-disposal.



Reporting Truancy

Do you see children not attending school during school hours? Do you see parents not sending their children to school?

Minnesota Statute 120A.22, **subd. 1** and subd. 5(a) and Minnesota Statute 120A.35 require that children the ages of 7 to 17 attend school every day unless there is a lawful reason for an absence. Many families call 911 because their child is refusing to go to school and hoping the police can help. Police officers cannot force a child to go to school. Officers can sit down and try to encourage them to go to school, but there may be other underlying reasons for kids not wanting to go to school and may require additional help.

Parents who do not send their child(ren) to school could be found neglecting their child(ren)'s education and could be charged with a gross misdemeanor and punishable up to one year in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine. To learn more about reporting truancy or addressing concerns contact Brooklyn Center Police Department Juvenile Officer Kate Deering at 763-503-3222 or kdeering at ci.brooklyn-center.mn.us

Minimum Heat

Brooklyn Center ordinance 12-313 requires that heat be provided starting September 1 to May 31. Owners and Managers must provide a heating source that is capable of providing temperatures of at least 68 degrees. Temperatures will be measured 3ft above the floor and 3 feet from the exterior wall in all habitable rooms, bathrooms, and water closet compartments.

Ranges, ovens, space heaters, and other heating device cannot be used to achieve the minimum temperature. Questions or concerns should be directed to the Building and Community Standards Department at 763-569-3330.



Energy Assistance

Community Action Partnership of Suburban Hennepin (CAPSH) is a private, non-profit organization administering the energy assistance program for Brooklyn Center residents. To qualify for assistance families need to complete an application and meet income guidelines. The assistance starts October 1, 2016 to May 30, 2017.



Applications will be available on September 1st. To request an application tenants can call to have an application mailed or the application can be downloaded on the website. For more information contact CAPSH at 952-930-3541 or go to <http://www.capsh.org/services/energy-assistance/>.

Minnesota Cold Weather Rule is effective from October 15 to April 15. This law covers homeowners and renters from having their utilities unlawfully shut off. This does not prevent disconnection, but allows residents who cannot pay their utility bill in full to continue to have heat as long as a minimum monthly payment is made. For more information about MN Cold Weather Rule, contact your local utility company or Minnesota Public Utilities Commission at 651-296-0406 or <http://mn.gov/puc>.