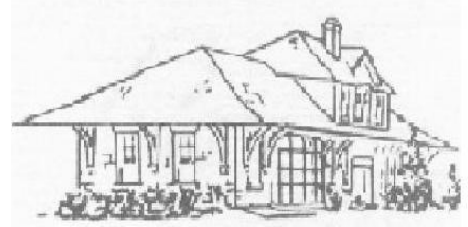


# TIPS & TIDBITS

## CITY OF WARROAD

MARCH 2026



### TIME FOR A NEW APPLIANCE?

That freezer of yours just not keeping your food frozen? Dishwasher not running quite right? Older appliances are energy hogs, so maybe it's time to upgrade those older appliances to save on your electric bill. Remember, the City Of Warroad offers rebates on certain appliances. When looking at products to buy, remember to look for the Energy Star logo on the energy guide sheet. Or visit the Energy Star website at [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov) to find qualifying products. Appliances must be Energy Star certified to receive the rebate. Terms: you must be a residential customer with an active meter serviced by the City of Warroad, application is signed and dated, with a copy of the paid receipt or invoice, product(s) must be new and installed in your home. The rebate will be paid in the form of a credit on customers utility bill within 6-8 weeks after application approval. Visit [www.warroadmn.org](http://www.warroadmn.org) to get a copy of the current rebate application (found under departments/public works/forms) or stop into either the billing office at 121 Main Ave NE or the Utility office at 108 Alma Ave SE for a copy. Office hours are M-Th 7:30am-5pm & Fri 7:30am-1pm.



### Building permits

Thinking of building a new home or garage? Is it time to replace those old windows or the shingles on your roof? Tired of looking at the same old kitchen and living room? If planning on a new build or some improvements & remodeling soon, you may need to get yourself a building permit first. You can stop at the City Office at 121 Main Ave NE to pick up a building permit application, or you can visit our website at [www.warroadmn.org](http://www.warroadmn.org) and find it under Forms and Applications. Please allow 14 days for you application to be reviewed and issued.

**WARROAD MUNICIPAL UTILITIES IS ON FACEBOOK. PLEASE LIKE AND FOLLOW US FOR TIMELY UPDATES ON CITY UTILITY RELATED MATTERS. [FACEBOOK.COM/WARROAD-MUNICIPAL-UTILITIES](https://www.facebook.com/warroad-municipal-utilities)**

### DID YOU KNOW ELECTRICITY IS A SECONDARY ENERGY SOURCE?

Electricity is the flow of electrical power or charge. Electricity is both a basic part of nature and one of the most widely used forms of energy.

The electricity that we use is a secondary energy source because it is produced by converting primary sources of energy such as coal, natural gas, nuclear energy, solar energy, and wind energy into electrical power. Electricity is also referred to as an energy carrier, which means it can be converted to other forms of energy such as mechanical energy or heat. Primary energy sources are renewable or nonrenewable energy, but the electricity we use is neither renewable nor nonrenewable.

We are on the web:  
[www.warroadmn.org](http://www.warroadmn.org)



**Electrical Inspector:**  
City of Warroad  
Ron Ditsch  
1-218-779-6758



Contact  
GOPHER STATE ONE CALL  
48 Hrs. before you dig.  
1-800-252-1166



**AFTER HOURS ON-CALL DUTY PHONE: 218-242-0201**

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Councilor– Kevin Thompson  
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Warroad MN 56763**ANY EMERGENCY dial 911**

The City of Warroad Utilities Department provides electric, water, and sewer services to more than 1,800 customers in the community. Owned by the citizens of the community, the City of Warroad Utilities is committed to providing our customers with dependable power, clean drinking water, high quality service and fair rates. We believe that giving you useful information is an important part of that service. We are available to answer any questions during our regular office hours. Our rates are available on our web site. [www.warroadmn.org](http://www.warroadmn.org)



## Problems paying your electric bill?

Energy assistance may be available to you. If you qualify as low income, or are suffering from a temporary financial shortfall, there's still time to apply. Please call

**Northwest Community Action 1-800-568-5329**

Clients can now apply online at: <https://energy-assistance.web.commerce.state.mn.us/> and only once during the program year – October 1, 2025 through May 31, 2026.



## Fix a Leak Week

Are you ready to chase down leaks? Household leaks can waste nearly 1 trillion gallons of water annually nationwide, so each year the EPA encourages everyone to hunt down the drips during Fix a Leak Week. Mark your calendars for EPA's annual Fix a Leak Week, **March 16 through 22, 2026**—but remember that you can find and fix leaks inside and outside your home to save valuable water and money all year long. The average household's leaks can account for nearly 10,000 gallons of water wasted every year and ten percent of homes have leaks that waste 90 gallons or more per day. Common types of leaks found in the home are worn toilet flappers, dripping faucets, and other leaking valves. These types of leaks are often easy to fix, requiring only a few tools and hardware that can pay for themselves in water savings. Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save homeowners about 10 percent on their water bills.

## TRASHMASTER REMINDERS

### WEIGHT & SIZE RESTRICTIONS

**Maximum can size is 32 gallons.** Due to repetitive motion and back injury concerns, if a container is heavier than 60 pounds, we will not pick up that container. If you cannot lift it, we cannot either. It is the owner's responsibility to redistribute the contents to other containers.

### CONTAINER PLACEMENT

Containers must be placed in your alley or street curbside if you have no alley. They must be no farther than 3 feet from the alley or street or they will not be picked up. In winter months, containers must be placed on the street side of the snow bank. All trash must be placed out by 7:00 am on the day of collection.



### Energy Eye-Opener:

A six-inch pan on an eight-inch burner will waste more than 40 percent of the stove's energy. Use pots the same size as your burners. Use lids when possible so you can cook at a lower temperature.

