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Message from the New Chief: Rob Funk

I was honored to witness the outpouring of support from Prescott's residents, friends and families at Chief Krutke's funeral. Chief Gary was an adopted son of Prescott, because as we all know, he maintained his proud southern roots from 'down home'.

On August 21, 2017, Chief Gary M. Krutke was laid to rest at Jacksonville National Cemetery. Gary is not far from his father's final resting place, just across the cemetery and within sight of each other. The City of Prescott was represented by 3 officers from the Prescott Police Department. The day was sunny and clear as we gathered to honor him. Witnessing Gary's formal Internment ceremony by the US military was an experience we will never forget. We thanked and praised Gary for his service and hope we will be able to make him proud as the Prescott Police Department continues on. We also thank the City of Prescott with entrusting us to represent the City at Gary's burial.

On a personal note, I will miss working with Gary. I will miss our conversations about life, faith and philosophy of leadership. But mostly, I will miss my friend. Rest in peace Brother.

A wise officer once told me, 'Hope for the best, plan for the worst, and be prepared to move past both.' In a sense that is what has been happening at Prescott PD these last few weeks. Even though we were hoping for the best, Chief Gary kept us on task and was preparing us (even though we sometimes didn't realize it) for a day when he would not be here.

We find ourselves at a place where we are beginning to focus on the future. The future of our Department and our City. Our officers have displayed a renewed vigor to serve our residents and visitors. We are striving to be the very best our small department can be. My responsibility is to see that our Department carries this out. We are excited to get started.

I have always loved Prescott for maintaining its Main Street small town identity, even though we have experienced some tremendous growth over the past 15 years I have spent working here. With growth comes change, but the ideals that keep this City strong remain intact. That's great to see.

Prescott Daze is upon us the weekend after Labor Day. There will be many activities to attend and much fun to be had. I worked my very first shift with Prescott Police Department about 16 years ago. I was assigned to direct traffic downtown as the fishing contest ended and the Car Show was in full swing. It was 95 degrees out and HOT. I will never forget the kind woman who brought me a bottle of water. She walked right out into the intersection as I was waving my hands and handed me the cold bottle. Thank you!! She said you look warm, mentioned that she noticed I was new to the Department and wished me good luck. I came to learn that is how Prescott rolls. We take care of each other because we care about each other. I have seen this happen many times over the years on a small and enormous scale. I love it.

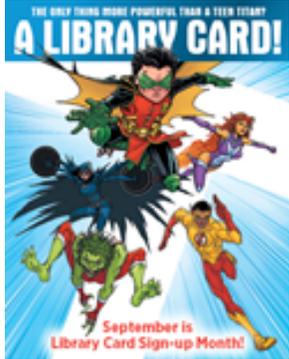
With that said, make sure to stay hydrated as you participate in the weekend fun. Seek our officers out, say hello. We are approachable and love a positive contact with our residents. If there is something we can help with or you need police assistance. Call!! We are a 24 hour a day department.

Finally, I look forward to continuing my service with the Prescott Police Department as the Interim Chief of Police. If you have any concerns, questions, or would simply like to bend my ear about something, please call us at 715-262-5512 and ask for me. I am also available by email at rfunk@prescottcity.org. There will be a lot for us to accomplish over the next year and we have already gotten started!!!

SNOW PARKING

Parking during snow removal from November 1 to April 1, no vehicle shall be parked on any City street which may interfere with the operation of any snow removal with the exception of Broad Street from Cherry Street to Kinnickinnic Street and Orange Street from Front Street to Dakota Street whereby snow removal on these streets will be 4:00 a.m to 6:00 a.m.

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September is Library Card Sign-up Month!

Crime fighting DC Super Heroes, the Teen Titans know that a library card is the most powerful card to have. Getting a library card is fast and easy. Bring your driver's license or government-issued photo ID to the library. If your ID does not show your current Prescott address, you must bring a piece of mail addressed to you at your Prescott residence. A parent or legal guardian must be present when a child, ages 5-17, applies for a card.

Fall **Preschool Storytime** starts on Friday, September 8th. Join Miss Danielle on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 and Friday mornings at 10:30 for stories, songs and activities that encourage a love of books and reading and promote brain development in young children.

As your kids head back to school, the Prescott Public Library has resources to help them be successful in school, including books for all age levels that engage their imaginations and provide information for school projects and reports. For kids who are learning to read, our Early Reader books feature limited vocabulary and large print. The children's non-fiction section offers books on a wide variety of topics and at multiple reading levels. Our Young Adult book area includes an extensive graphic novel/manga collection, and all the latest, popular teen fiction.

The library presents programs and events for adults, too. **Coloring Craze (for Adults)** offers time to unwind and

be creative on the 4th Thursday of every month from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The library provides coloring sheets, pens and pencils and a relaxing atmosphere to color your stress away.

The Prescott Public Library's website, www.prescottpubliclibrary.org, is the best resource for information on our programs and services and a complete calendar of events. Find us on Facebook, too, at www.facebook.com/PrescottLibraryWisconsin/.

Message from the Public Works Director: Hank Zwart

The new Ryden Road construction is proceeding well with only a couple of rain delays. Ryden Road is the new city street going east off Dexter St north of Hwy 10 that will allow access to the new Diversified Manufacturing Co (DMC) facility. DMC has not said yet when they anticipate opening for business, but it should be before winter.

The Henry, Hampshire & James Streets project went well this summer. Cedar Corp has sent letters to property owners along the new streets advising of procedures to insure turf establishment and new concrete care for this winter.

The Lake St Assessor's Plat process has finished a significant milestone. The series of seven informational meetings for the property owners on-site at Lake St wrapped up August 24th. After a few discrepancies in recorded lot lines between parcels are resolved, a plat map will be put together for a final 30 day review period. After the review period the Assessor's Plat will be certified by the state and registered with Pierce County. The City will then be able to start looking into costs of beginning possible design work and budget talks. Many more public informational meetings will be advertised on the web site as they need to occur.

Design work is continuing for the DNR required water main looping of dead-ends in the City. The first two in design are for dead ends at the end of Kassan Dr and at Canton St over to Linn St/Orrin Rd area. These projects



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were anticipated to be done in 2017 but they are up in the air as of right now.

Information will be gathered shortly to show the savings by having installed the new water meters and reading system. The next step will be to install the “fixed network” upgrade to the reading system. This upgrade will allow meters to be read, and all of the logged data to be retrieved from City Hall. This logged data will increase efficiencies significantly when helping customers with water usage concerns and conservation.

DID YOU KNOW?

Chapter 635: Zoning, of the Municipal Ordinances, Chapter section 635-56,E (5) Traffic Visibility, Loading, Parking And Access reads as follows: “Repair and service. No motor vehicle repair work or service of any kind shall be permitted in association with parking facilities provided in residence districts”.

COMPOST SITE

Please pay attention to changing compost hours of operation this fall when daylight ends earlier. There will be announced longer Saturday hours also. Watch the city website www.prescottwi.org for further details.

RECREATIONAL FIRES

Fall is moving in fast and it is a great time for bonfires. Here is a reminder of the regulations one must follow when having a recreation fire.

- The fire pit cannot be more than three (3) feet in diameter.
- The fire must be contained in a pit, ring or a commercial pit.
- The flame cannot be more than three (3) feet high.
- Must be at least 15 feet from any structure.
- No rubbish, yard waste, or treated wood allowed in fire pit.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Fire Chief Tom Lytle at 262-5733, and have a fun and safe fall.

BUDGET MEETINGS

The City Council will be holding a budget meeting on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 starting at 4:00 p.m. Each department will be presenting their budgets according to the guidance which has been provided by the Council. The budget public hearing for the 2018 budget will be held at the Council meeting on Monday, November 27th at approximately 6:30 p.m. These meetings are open to the public.

GARBAGE CANS OFF THE STREETS

Garbage and recycling trucks are able to reach out and grab these containers from several feet away. Please keep them be-hind the curb so that city plows can fully clean the streets. Containers left in the street could be damaged or knocked over during operations, in addition to creating snow and ice buildup on the road if plows have to go around them.

ADOPT-A-HYDRANT

Can the Fire Department get to the hydrants closest to your home or business? If the answer is no, precious time could waste away while we clear access to the hydrant during an emergency. We ask that everyone pitch in to keep a three foot clearance around the entire hydrant throughout the winter. Please work with your neighbors and offer assistance to those who might be burdened by this task.



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WATER MAIN & HYDRANT FLUSHING

TO MAINTAIN WATER QUALITY/SAFETY AND ADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION, FLUSHING OPERATIONS WILL BE DONE IN PRESCOTT THE WEEK OF

SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2017.

THE FLUSHING ALLOWS A LARGE STREAM OF WATER TO MOVE QUICKLY THROUGH THE MAINS UNDER THE STREETS TO SCOUR AND DISLODGE DEPOSITS THAT HAVE ATTACHED TO THE INNER PIPE WALLS.

SOME DIRTY WATER WILL FIND ITS WAY TO YOUR SERVICE LATERAL.

BEFORE YOU USE ANY WATER IN YOUR BUILDING, COMPLETELY OPEN A COLD WATER SPIGOT CLOSEST TO YOUR WATER METER (INSIDE OR OUTSIDE) AND LET IT FLOW FOR 5-10 MINUTES OR UNTIL THE WATER RUNS CLEAR.



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