HISTORICAL

• Organized in 1858
• 1968 Scott County Mergers- Prior Lake decided not to annex the recommended portion of Credit River.
• Increased development in the 2000’s
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- Town Board set the stage for future incorporation.
- Draft Comprehensive Plan (2008)
- Joint Sewer Study with City of Savage (completed 2008)
- Incorporation Financial Impact Study (completed 2008)
HISTORICAL

- Reserved funds for incorporation have been in the Resident Approved Levy for ten years.
- Population- approaching 6000 residents.
- South Savage Development nears the northern border.
INCORPORATION PROCESS

• MN State Statute 414.02
• Board Resolution July 7th, 2020
• Notice of Intent to surrounding communities. (No opposition received)
• Date of Hearing Set by Chief Administrative Law Judge (Expecting Mid November 2020)
• Upon Judges Order, Municipal Elections are held to Elect a Mayor and Council.
WHAT DOES INCORPORATION CHANGE?

- Not Much. Credit River has been operating more like a city than a township for many years
- Borders become more stable
- Eligible to receive State distributed LGA funds
- Eligible to receive State distributed MSA funds (est. $300k initially, and raises with population to over $1M annually)
- Incorporation does not automatically change the tax levy
EXISTING CONTRACTS AND SERVICES

• All current contracts, agreements, ordinances, etc remain intact.
• This includes but not limited to: Snowplowing, Park Mowing, Consultants.
• Currently working to update the Fire Services partnership with Prior Lake and Spring Lake. Current agreement expires December 31st, 2020.
LAW ENFORCEMENT

• Credit River has been receiving Law Enforcement from the Scott County Sheriff’s Office (SCSO).

• Agreement with SCSO expected to be approved in October 2020 to have a 40 hour per week Deputy in Credit River beginning January 4th, 2020.

• This is independent of incorporation activities. With a population nearing 6000, it is time.
PLANNING AND ZONING

• 2040 Comprehensive Plan approved by Met Council and adopted by Credit River.
• This document will guide land use in Credit River.
• Transitioning Planning and Zoning from Scott County to Credit River before the end of 2020.
• Planning and Zoning activities funded by building permit fees.
• 2020 Credit River permit fees generated approximately $200K.
• This was already in progress ahead of the incorporation filing.
MUNICIPAL SEWER & WATER
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• Areas in northern Credit River with small lots will need Municipal Sewer and Water
• These areas will be added to the Credit River Capital Improvement Plan for future construction
• These small lots would require Municipal Sewer and Water regardless of whether or not Credit River incorporates
• Most cost effective to time with development of adjacent properties
• Staged for future development in northern Credit River with Municipal Sewer and Water. Timing will be development driven
CONCLUSION

• Progression towards Incorporation has been ongoing for many years.
• Funding has been in the Resident Approved Levy for many years.
• Incorporation does not change a lot.
• Maintains local control and identity.
• Allows Credit River to plan financially and for land use in a responsible manner.
• Prepares Credit River for future development.
QUESTIONS

• Please state your name and address as you begin to speak.
• We will start with residents in the audience first. Then take questions from the online audience.
• This presentation along with the 2040 Comp Plan will be posted on the Credit River website creditriver-mn.gov