

A NEW & IMPROVED LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULE STARTS THIS FALL

MORE TIMES ADDED TO PICK UP LEAVES

After much discussion regarding the City's Fall leaf and yard waste pickup program, the Common Council and staff made improvements that address issues and makes the pickup a much simpler process. **The collection will start October 17th and end the week of November 21st.**

Now, based on where you live within the adjacent map, your pickup will be on a weekday within that time frame. For example, if you live in the pink shaded area on the map, your pickup will be every Friday from October 17th through November 21st. That's three extra pick-ups compared to the previous program! The last week of pickup includes Thanksgiving on November 24th. During the last week, the area scheduled for Thursday (green) will be picked up on Friday and the area scheduled for Friday (pink) will be picked up on Saturday.

Full size, color maps are available on the City's website, at City Hall and the Library.

HOW TO ASSURE YOUR LEAVES ARE PICKED UP

All leaves need to be on the street, 12 inches away from the gutter by 7:00 a.m. on the day of service. Call the Department of Public Works if you have any questions at 262-723-2223.

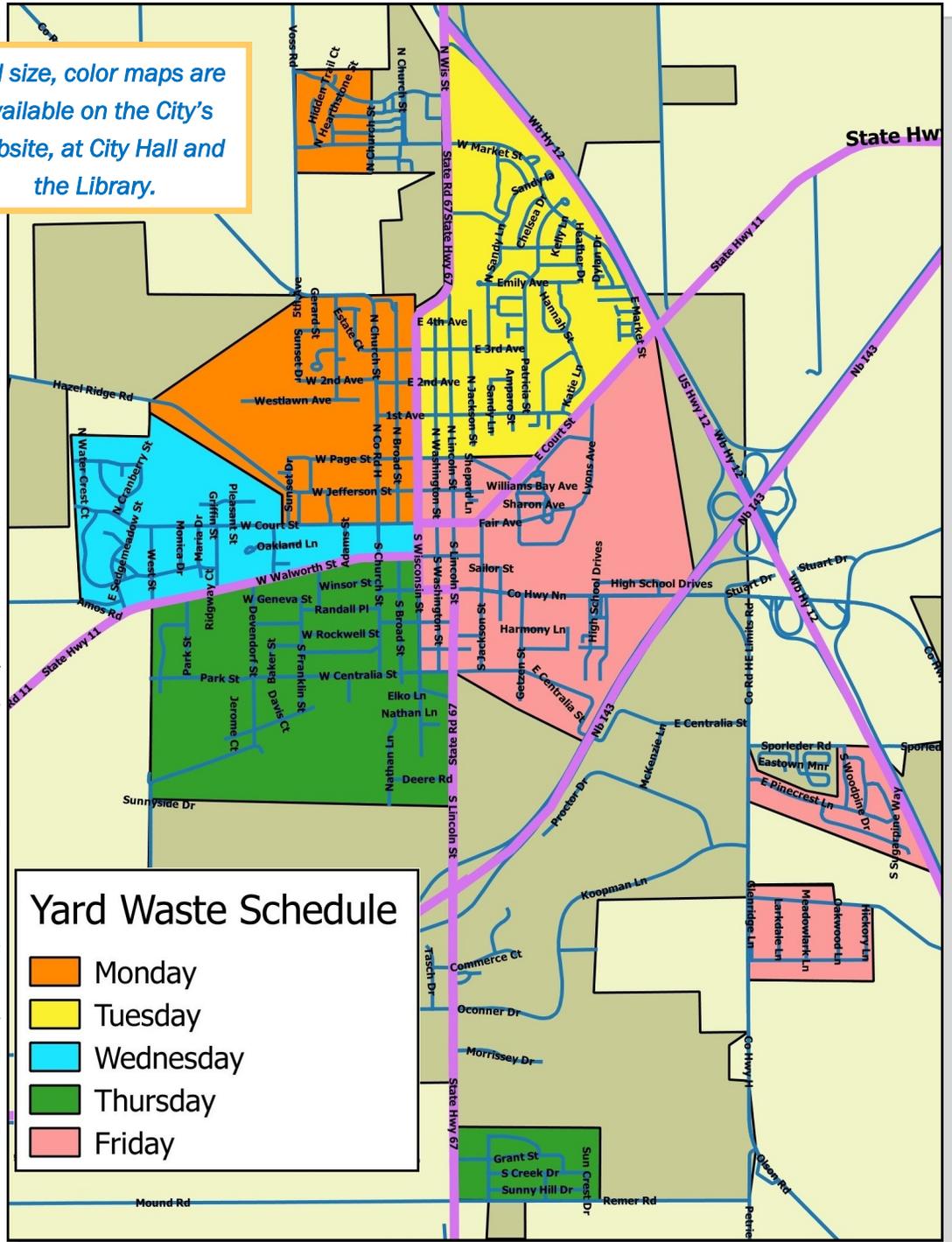
BRUSH COLLECTION

Leaves and brush must remain in separate piles. If leaves and brush are combined, they cannot be picked up.

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR LEAF AND BRUSH DISPOSAL

The City also maintains a drop off site for leaves and brush. Read more about it on page 6.

More information on Leaf and Brush Collection is available on the City's website or at City Hall.



LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Hello! I hope everyone had a great summer.

And what a great summer it was—kids and families enjoying time at the pool, kids of all ages playing Rec softball and baseball, and people out and about everywhere enjoying our City's parks and events.

A new event this year was Ribfest at the Fairgrounds, and it turned out great and tasty! The food and entertainment was wonderful and we can expect to see this event return next year.

Now it is time to turn our attention to fall. Fall wouldn't be complete without Rec football and the Chamber's Oktoberfest. And of course, raking leaves. The City has worked on making leaf pick-up easier for everyone this year. In addition to

additional pickup days, the schedule has been simplified to make it easier to understand. Be sure to read the information on it on the front page of this newsletter. Additional information can be found on the City's website, by calling DPW at 723-2223 or sending an email to dpw@cityofelkhorn.org. City staff will be happy to assist you.

Last, but certainly not least, I want to thank the citizens of Elkhorn for electing me to be their Mayor.

Have a great fall.

Howie Reynolds, Mayor

You can contact Mayor Reynolds at (262)741-5117 or by email at hreynolds@cityofelkhorn.org



11th Annual Elkhorn Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 15, 2016, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Downtown Elkhorn: Craft and Vendor Booths, Chili Cook-Off, Wine and Beer Tasting, Car Show, Kid's Activities, Live Music and Entertainment

CITY OF ELKHORN TRICK OR TREATING

Trick or treating within the City of Elkhorn will take place **Monday, October 31st from 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.**

The following is a list of safety tips to ensure that your trick or treat experience is a fun, safe experience for both yourself and your children:



- Do not allow a child to go "Trick or Treating" alone. Be sure older children TAKE A FRIEND and an ADULT accompanies young children.
- Be certain to accompany young children to the door of every house they approach.
- Children should be cautioned that they should NOT enter any home without permission from their parents.
- Make sure that all children carry a glow stick or wear reflective clothing. Facial masks should allow children to see and breathe properly and easily. All costumes and masks should be clearly marked as flame resistant.
- Parents should inspect all treats and dispose of anything that seems to have been tampered with, has been opened, or is not wrapped.

THE FALL GENERAL ELECTION IS NOVEMBER 8



The Fall General/Presidential Election will take place on Tuesday, November 8 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Army National Guard Armory, located at 401 Fair Ave. Parking for the election will be at Jackson Elementary School and the fairgrounds parking lots. Handicapped parking will be located in the Armory's parking lot to the left of the building. In-person absentee voting (commonly called "early voting") will take place at City Hall Monday through Friday, October 24th through November 4th, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. or other times by appointment. Remember to bring your photo ID to vote.

VOTING AND THE PHOTO ID LAW

If you are not currently registered to vote in the City of Elkhorn, you are encouraged to register today. If you have moved or changed your name since the last time you voted, you need to fill out a new registration form prior to voting. An easy way to start the registration process is to go to <https://myvote.wi.gov/>. **Include a copy of your proof of residence if you mail your form.**

When you come to the polls, bring your photo ID in order to cast a ballot. A list of acceptable photo ID's can be found on the City's website. If you plan to vote absentee prior to the election, you also need to provide photo ID to receive a ballot. If you need a photo ID for voting but your documents to prove

U.S. citizenship, name and date of birth, or legal name change are unavailable, the WI DMV may provide photo ID's free of charge without them. It can take several days to complete the verification process, so don't wait to start the process. See the article below for more information.

For more information about voting, visit the City website, email elections@cityofelkhorn.org or call the City Clerk at (262)723-2219. Registration and absentee forms, voter and election information and more can also be found at <https://myvote.wi.gov/>.

BRING IT
— TO THE —
BALLOT

YOU CAN GET A WISCONSIN STATE ID FOR FREE FROM THE DMV

To get a free ID card, you will need to take a few documents to your Division of Motor Vehicles office.* There's a long list of documents you can use, but most people will be fine with a certified birth certificate, a Social Security card and a utility bill or cell phone bill. You'll notice that some records, like a certified birth certificate, satisfy more than one category. Just be sure to bring originals — photocopies don't work — and check the box that says "ID for Free" on your application. Once it's complete, you'll get a receipt (valid for 45 days) that you can use at the polls until your state ID arrives by mail.

The documents fall into four categories and some may overlap into other categories. A few samples of documents that will work are given, for a complete list visit the website, <http://bringit.wisconsin.gov/> or call 1-866-VOTE-WIS:

- Proof of Name and Date of Birth:** Certified birth certificate; current U.S. Passport; U.S. Certificate of Naturalization; U.S. Certificate of Citizenship; Federal temporary resident card or employment authorization card
- Proof of Identity:** Social Security Card issued by the Social Security Administration; a valid WI or out-of-state driver license (not a Canadian driver license) with your photograph; certified copy of a Marriage Certificate or Judgment of Divorce
- Proof of Citizenship or Legal Status:** Certified birth certificate; current U.S. Passport; U.S. Certificate of Naturalization; U.S. Certificate of Citizenship
- Proof of Wisconsin Residency:** Valid WI hunting or fishing license, Government-issued correspondence or product issued within the last 90 days from a federal, state, county or city agency, electronic copies of the following are acceptable: utility bill for water, gas, electricity or landline telephone service issued within the last 90 days. cable or similar bundles of services that include landline telephone service is included in this category; cell phone bills; an account statement from a Wisconsin bank/financial institution issued within the last 90 days, this includes savings, checking or money market accounts held in banks or credit unions

*If you are missing these documents, you may still get an ID, contact the DMV for more information at (608)266-1069.



My Vote Wisconsin



A website for voters to find their elected officials information, voting location, registration status, ballot and absentee information, and more!

<https://myvote.wi.gov/>

UTILITY DEPARTMENT NEWS

The water department will be doing a City wide hydrant flushing this September during the week of the 19th through the 23rd from 10 p.m. through 6 a.m. This is done on an annual basis. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the City wide hydrant flushing, please call the Utilities Operations Department Office at 262-723-3138.

The electric department continues to perform overhead to underground service conversion for the Ridgway Conversion and Green Acres Subdivision Conversion Projects. If you have questions or concerns regarding this project, please call 262-723-3138.

Electric and water meter change outs continue. Reasons requiring a water or electric meter change out is when the Utility Billing Office flags the service for zero or unusual consumption. Electric meter change outs usually do not need an appointment and generally take just a few minutes. Water meter change outs require an appointment and normally take about 30 minutes. Water technicians need access to the water meter inside your home. During the water meter change out, our technicians will also perform a quick cross connection inspection. Performing the cross connection inspection at the same time allows the department to get the inspections done without an additional appointment that could possibly cause an inconvenience for our customers.

We would like to suggest that customers who have contact information that has changed, to please call the Utilities Billing Office at 262-723-2910 (option Billing) to make sure phone numbers and contact information is up to date. The Utilities Operations Department has had a lot of service orders with wrong numbers or no phone numbers, making it more difficult to contact customers in the event of meter or service issues.

The Elkhorn Utility Department has a Facebook page as another way to see the “happenings” throughout the City in regards to the electric and water departments. We encourage you to follow our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/COEElectricDept>.

GUIDELINES ON PAST DUE UTILITY BILLS

Just a reminder for customers to continue to pay their light and water bills to the extent possible throughout the winter months, so that a large utility bill on April 16th can be avoided. The bill does not go away, it just accumulates with penalties.

Elkhorn Light & Water will not offer a Deferred Payment Agreement to a residential customer who is a tenant if any of the following criteria applies:

1. The residential tenant has greater than \$100 of account arrearages that are more than 90 days past due.
2. The residential tenant has defaulted on a deferred payment agreement in the past 12 months.
3. The residential tenant is responsible for account arrearages that were placed on any property owner's tax bill in the utility's

service territory in the past 24 months.

4. The residential tenant has a balance that accrued during the winter moratorium that is more than 80 days past due.

“The bill does not go away, it just accumulates with penalties.”

If you fall within any of the above categories you will not be allowed to make a DPA in the future.

In accordance with Wis. Stat. §66.0809(3m)(a), as of October 15, 2016, the Utility has a lien upon the responsible tenant's personal assets in the amount of the past due utility charges plus penalties. Under

Wisconsin law, the Utility is to transfer its lien to the owner of the rental property once the property owner pays the past due utility charges in full Wis. Stat. §66.0809(3m)(d). This lien, once filed by the owner of the property, will result in the tenant's name appearing on the Wisconsin Consolidated Court Automation Program (CCAP).

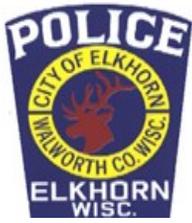
HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

Energy Services for Walworth County is now taking applications for home energy assistance. To qualify for assistance, households must have gross income for the three months immediately preceding the month of application that is at or below 60 percent of the state median income guidelines. Income guidelines for the 2016-2017 program year are: \$6,544 gross income 3 months prior to application for household of 1; \$8,557 for household of 2; \$10,571 for 3; \$12,584 for 4; \$14,597 for 5; \$16,611 for 6; \$16,988 for 7; and \$17,366 for 8.

To apply, applicants must provide Social Security numbers for all members of the household, most recent energy bill, photo identification and written proof of household's gross income for the three months prior to the application.

To apply or for more information call 1-262-427-8505.

ELKHORN POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY



In cooperation with the WI Department of Justice, a Prescription Drug Take Back initiative will take place on **Saturday, October 22 from 10 am – 2 pm at Walgreens, 939 N. Wisconsin St.** This

effort will continue to bring focus to the issue of prescription opiate abuse. The goal of the Take Back Day is to provide a safe, convenient and responsible means of disposal, while also educating the community about the potential for abuse of these medications.

Unused or expired medicine should never be flushed or poured down the drain. Water reclamation facilities are not designed to remove all of them and trace amounts of pharmaceuticals are showing up in rivers and lakes around the world.

GUIDELINES:

All waste pharmaceuticals must be generated by a household – no businesses are allowed.

Bring: Prescription (controlled and non-controlled) and over-the-counter medications, ointments, patches, non-aerosol sprays, creams, vials and pet medications.

Do Not Bring: Illegal drugs, needles/sharps, inhalers, aerosol cans, bio-hazardous materials (anything containing a bodily fluid or blood), personal care products (shampoo, soaps, lotions, sunscreens), household hazardous waste (paint, pesticides, oil, gas), mercury thermometers.

- Participants may dispose of solid, non-liquid medication(s) by removing

the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into a disposal box or into a clear sealable plastic bag. Plastic pill containers should not be collected. Blister packages are acceptable without the medications being removed.

- Liquids will be accepted during this initiative. However, the liquids, creams and sprays must be in their original packaging and evenly distributed within the boxes of collected solid prescription medications. Liquids without the original packaging will not be accepted.
- Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamine are not a part of this initiative and should not be placed in collection containers.

2016 WALWORTH COUNTY CLEAN SWEEP HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

This year's Clean Sweep event will help household residents properly dispose of banned, damaged, unusable or unwanted products that contain volatile chemicals. Services are available to Walworth County household residents free-of-charge, and pre-registration is not required.

What is household hazardous waste? It is the unusable portion of a household product containing volatile chemicals that are flammable, corrosive, explosive, reactive or toxic. These products are identified by labels which are generally marked CAUSTIC, ACID, DANGER, FLAMMABLE, WARNING, or POISON.

Bring your items to the Walworth County Public Works Department located at **W4097 County Road NN, Elkhorn, which is only open on Saturday, October 8 from 8:00 a.m. to noon.** (Collections will also take place in Zenda and Whitewater on October 7 from 3-5 p.m.) Waste handling and transportation

guidelines include:

- ⇒ Keep waste products in their original containers.
- ⇒ Place products in a cardboard box lined with plastic.
- ⇒ Do not mix any substances together.
- ⇒ Transport products in the trunk of your vehicle

This year medications will not be collected at the 2016 Clean Sweep Event. See the article above for disposal information for pharmaceutical products.

Visit Walworth County's website for more information. You can also call the Walworth County Public Works Department Solid Waste Division at (262)741-3367, (262)741-7264 or email them at walcosw@co.walworth.wi.us for more questions.

CLEAN SWEEP PROGRAM FOR BUSINESSES

The Business Clean Sweep program targets businesses, retail stores, municipalities, schools, and service providers that produce less than 220 pounds of hazardous waste per month. Program participants pay the disposal cost for their chemicals, but the cost is significantly less than contracting with a vendor for this service on an individual basis. The program is easy, but pre-registration is required. For more information or to pre-register for the October 7, 2016 collection date please contact the Walworth County Solid Waste Division at (262)741-7264 or by email at walcosw@co.walworth.wi.us. Registration is due by Wednesday, September 28.

2016 Fall Brush Collection Schedule

Weeks of October 17 & October 31 (Tues.-Fri.): East of Wisconsin St
Weeks of October 24 & November 7 (Tues.-Fri.): West of Wisconsin St

RESIDENT GUIDELINES:

- *No vines, rakings or roots (see Yard Waste Drop-Off Site)
- *Do **NOT** co-mingle leaves with brush
- *Place cut ends facing direction of traffic traveling on street
- *Diameter—maximum of 6 inches

All brush must be placed on the terrace by 7 am on Tuesday of your brush pickup week. The public works crew will begin the route on Tuesday morning and will pick up your properly disposed of brush sometime during your scheduled week. Please do not place brush out after the crew has gone by, they will only go through the route once during the week. If you hire a contractor for tree work, the contractor must take all debris. Parked cars must not block brush piles.

Special Collection. The City's DPW crew may be requested to return to a property to chip brush if chipping goes beyond the homeowner's normal pruning or trimming during the brush collection season. If additional chipping is required, then a charge will be invoiced to the property owner and due immediately. The DPW office may be contacted at 723-2223 for fees but only during the Fall Brush Collection season that ends November 11, 2016.

2016 Fall Leaf Collection/Seasonal Burning

2016 Fall Leaf Collection begins the week of October 17-October 21 (Mon.-Fri.) and ends the week of November 21 - November 26 (Mon.-Sat.). During the last week due to Thanksgiving the Thursday route will be picked up on Friday and the Friday route will be picked up on Saturday. The City's refuse/recycler, Advance Disposal, is contracted to conduct the leaf collection. The City is divided into 5 sections; each section has an assigned week day for pickup. Please see the map on the first page of the newsletter or the City's website for your pickup day.

LEAVES WILL ONLY BE COLLECTED DURING YOUR LEAF COLLECTION DAY

- *Leaves should **NOT** be in the gutter earlier than the Saturday prior to your pickup week
- *Please rake leaves into the street at least 12 inches from the **gutter**, the leaves will be picked up off of the street
- *Leaves **MUST** be in the gutter no later than 7am of the scheduled pickup day
- *Do **NOT** combine brush with leaves
- *Do **NOT** place leaves in bags or boxes

SEASONAL LEAF BURNING is allowed between October 1st and November 30th without a permit

- *Burning Shall occur on the resident's property at a minimum distance of 25 feet from any occupied dwelling
- *Do **NOT** burn on streets, sidewalks, terraces, or any other location within the public right-of-way
- *Burning permitted between the hours of 8 am and 8 pm
- ***NO** burning when wind is in excess of 10 miles per hour

Yard Waste Drop-Off Site – City Garage

12 E. First Avenue (Fenced in area adjacent to N. Washington Street)
Open through November 19, 2016

Wednesdays: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

- *Leaves, vegetables, and grass clippings
- *Yard/garden debris and brush—including clean, woody vegetative material no greater than 3 inches in diameter
- *Tightly bundle tree limbs and branches no greater than 3 inches in diameter and 4 feet in length with twine (**NO wire or nylon**)
- *30 gallon paper bags or dry cardboard boxes not larger than 3 X 3 feet
- ***NO** stumps, roots or shrubs with intact root balls
- ***NO Plastic bags!**

Christmas Tree
Collection
January 3–13, 2017

Please call the Department of Public Works with any questions: 262-723-2223



Advanced Disposal

ITEMS TO BE RECYCLED

Have your trash and recycling out to the curb by 6:00am.

<p>Newspapers, Magazines, Office Paper Includes glossy inserts, catalogs, mail circulars, phone books, paper-back books, cereal boxes, envelopes, wrapping paper, etc.</p> <p>Cardboard (Flattened) Clean cardboard only. Must be broken down, flattened, and tied in bundles.</p> <p>Glass (Clear-Brown-Green) All bottles and jars must be rinsed out. No window glass, light bulbs, TV tubes, drinking glass, etc.</p> <p>Aluminum Aluminum beverage cans only. No aluminum foil.</p> <p>Tin & Bi-metal Cans Soup, vegetable, juice cans, etc. All cans must be rinsed out completely.</p>	<p>Plastic Containers This includes plastic bottles with threaded caps, the recycling symbol  1 through 5 & 7. All plastic bottles must be rinsed completely. No deli or butter containers.</p> <p>Waste Oil Common engine oil only. Must be in a leak-proof, non-breakable, one gallon jug with a threaded lid labeled oil. <u>Limit 2 gallons per week.</u></p> <p>Lead Acid Vehicle Batteries Car and truck batteries only. Battery casings must be unbroken.</p> <p>Tires Car tires off the rim. 2 per week up to 8 per year.</p> <p><u>Oil, Batteries, and Tires go next to your recycle container.</u></p>
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Place your recyclables in the containers provided. Any overflow may be placed in clear plastic bags next to the containers. These containers are to be left with the residence if you move. Please keep your recyclables separate from your other trash and easily accessible. DNR is enforcing stronger recycling laws in the State of Wisconsin.

Construction Debris

Plaster, lath, 2x4's, shingles, etc. are to be placed in 32 gallon containers weighing no more than 50lbs, manageable by 1 person. These items will be taken as trash.

Empty or Dry Paint Cans

Place next to your trash can with the lids off.



No Medical Waste- i.e. needles, rubber gloves, oxygen tubes, IV bags, etc.
No Yard Waste- It is illegal to landfill these items.
No Hazardous Materials- Contact your County Courthouse regarding disposal of these items.

Please call our office at 800-248-2373 to make arrangements for pick-up of large items, appliances, or electronic waste. (Charges may apply)

Holiday Schedule

There will be **NO** garbage pick-up on the following days:
 New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.
 Collection will be one day later (working on Saturdays) when the holiday falls during the week.
 If your pick-up day falls before the holiday, your pick-up will not be affected.

Advanced Disposal
Thanks you for recycling!



WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

The parking or leaving of any vehicle on any street in the City is prohibited when the National Weather Service has issued any of the following winter storm messages which are in effect for our area: winter weather advisory, winter storm warning or blizzard warning. These parking restrictions will remain in effect for a period of 12 hours after the expiration of the winter storm

message. Failure to comply may result in the removal of any vehicle parked in violation of this, and the vehicle owner shall be responsible for the cost of towing, storage and any other charges in connection with its removal in addition to the penalties set forth in the city ordinance.

HELP US HELP YOU/WINTER HYDRANT CLEARING

The City of Elkhorn Department of Public Works is requesting the help of residents in maintaining access to fire hydrants during the upcoming winter season. Any resident of the City who has a fire hydrant located on their property is asked to remove the snow from around the hydrant immediately following each snow occurrence. Fire hydrants need to be kept clear in the event that City emergency personnel may require immediate access and use of a hydrant. So help us help you, and together we can keep the residents of Elkhorn safe.

The Elkhorn Public Works would like to thank the residents who maintain a clean area around fire hydrants during the winter season.



WINTER SIDEWALK CLEARING

A reminder to keep sidewalks safe this winter. Per the Elkhorn Municipal Code, the entire width of the sidewalk needs to be cleared of all accumulated snow and/or ice within 24 hours of the time that the snow or ice ceases to accumulate. If ice has accumulated, the owner is required to sprinkle the sidewalk with necessary material to accelerate melting or prevent slipping. Owners of property with sidewalks on two intersecting streets are required to remove snow and ice from the sidewalks of both streets, including the area bordering the cross-

walk and the curb ramp. Do not plow, push, shovel or throw snow or ice onto any public streets, alley, sidewalk or public lands dedicated to public use except for parcels or lots where buildings are constructed within 5 feet of the street right-of-way and the sidewalks exist from the City right-of-way to the curb line. In such instances, it is permitted to deposit, in a nonhazardous manner, snow and ice from their sidewalks only onto public streets. If the City has to remove the snow and/or ice, the property owner will be charged without prior notice.

MEDICAL ALERT WHEN THE LIGHTS GO OUT

If you use medical equipment that needs electricity to run, please let us know. The City has a Critical Needs Response Plan that allows customers with critical needs to be notified of a power outage. A "Critical Care" customer is defined to be:

- A customer with specific medical conditions requiring uninterrupted electric service; or
- Elderly, disabled and/or home-bound customer who is at risk and requires uninterrupted electrical service to maintain their well-being.

The City will attempt to make contact with the customer or other designated contact person if there is an outage to provide an estimate of how long the power is expected to be off in case other arrangements need to be considered for the customers well being.

To apply, a Medical Alert Response Application must be completed. Information required includes name, address, phone number, and contact information for another person the City may contact if the critical needs resident does not answer the phone. The application also contains a section which must be completed by a physician stating the patient's medical condition and the type of life sustaining equipment used which requires continuous electric service for the health and safety of that individual. This qualification requires an annual renewal. The information on the form may be subject to verification and additional information may be required from you or your physician.

The Medical Alert Response Application is available at City Hall or on the City's website. Completed forms may be submitted by mail or dropped off at City Hall. For more information call City Hall at (262) 723-2219.

Elkhorn Rec reation Activity Guide is Available!

Check out the fall activities available to you and your family! Pick up the Elkhorn Recreation Department Activity Guide at City Hall or the Recreation Center. A digital copy is also available on the City of Elkhorn's website, www.cityofelkhorn.org.

VISIT UPDATED TASCH PARK

Looking for something new to do with your little one? Spend an afternoon at Tasch Park! We have a new playground as well as a new t-ball field all ready for you and your child to enjoy! Tasch Park is located at 12 East 1st Avenue – right off Lincoln Street in front of the Department of Public Works building. We are still in the process of updating the basketball hoops and working on the finishing touches for the park and landscaping. The park should be completely done by Summer 2017.



4TH ANNUAL SCARE ON THE SQUARE-OCTOBER 22ND AT VETERANS PARK

Back by popular demand, the *Build a Scarecrow Station* will provide roughly 50 “frames” (first come, first serve) and straw for you to make your own Scarecrow. Please bring clothes and accessories. All scarecrows will be available to take home the same day. Along with scarecrow building, there are inflatables, games, a costume contest and more– all offered by Mercy Health Care Systems and Elkhorn Area Chamber of Commerce. Come see us on **Saturday, Oct. 22nd from 2–4:00 p.m. at Veterans Square** for fall fun!

REINDEER RUN & GRINCH SPRINT—DECEMBER 3RD AT SUNSET PARK



Our theme this year is red, white and blue! Start your Christmas season off in good health and show your community spirit by being a part of our **4th Annual Reindeer Run on Saturday, December 3rd at Sunset Park!** New this year is our **“Strut Your Mutt”** competition at 9:30 a.m. There will be a table of judges and a designated area set up for you to *Strut Your Mutt!* The top three dogs that show the most Christmas Spirit, Patriotic Spirit as well as just being a good sport will all receive doggie toys and a homemade tie blanket especially made for their comfort! *Strut Your Mutt* is free if you or your child is involved in either the Reindeer Run or the Grinch Sprint.

We will also be giving out the most festive “team spirit” award along with a private pool party for up to 100 of your closest friends! Surprise us with your creativity and spirit! You can dress holiday or patriotic themed, or combine the two! The top 3 individuals that show holiday spirit will also receive prizes. The top 3 fastest racers will receive medals in their age category, and the fastest female and male will receive a giant wreath. This year we have split up the **Grinch Sprint** into two categories – the 50 yard dash as well as the 100 yard dash. The 50 yard will be for the 1-5 year olds and the 100 yard will be for children 6 and up. The *Grinch Sprint* will follow the *Reindeer Run* and start roughly around 11:00 a.m. Grinch sprinters will receive a bag of goodies along with a t-shirt if preregistered. *Grinch Sprint* is \$10 per individual but free for individuals also participating in the *Reindeer Run*. The *Reindeer Run* is looking for sponsors and volunteers– give us a call or email us for more details! (741-5114/elkhornparkandrec@cityofelkhorn.org) Register for the 4th Annual Reindeer Run at www.elkhornreindeerrun.com.

35TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARD TOWN PARADE

Experience the small town comfort and joy of the holiday season in Elkhorn. Join Peoples Bank the night before the parade, Friday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m. to light up the town with Christmas Spirit at the Christmas Tree Lighting as the big man himself—Santa Claus—and a special helper wave their wand to magically light the tree in the downtown square. Afterwards, all are welcome to the Matheson Memorial Library for the Peoples Bank sponsored Santa and Mrs. Claus Reception. Enjoy free hot chocolate, cookies, music and crafts while the kids wait for their turn to tell Santa what they want for Christmas. Parents don't forget to bring your cameras to capture this memorable moment. Then, on **Saturday, December 3rd, bundle up the family and grab a spot downtown to watch the 35th Annual Christmas Card Town Parade beginning at 1:30 p.m.** Many line up to see the Christmas decorated floats, novelty acts, music, animals, and of course, Santa and Mrs. Claus.

WHAT'S NEW AT MATHESON MEMORIAL LIBRARY?

Stop in the library during September to help us promote "Library Card Sign-up Month." A library card is an important school supply for every child. Library cards are free and will give you access to books, movies, video games and so much more! You can use our free databases on our digital resources page. Overdrive is the popular website that connects you to Wisconsin's Digital Library to download eBooks to your ereader, tablet or other device. Or you can research your family tree using Ancestry.com, look up auto repair diagrams, or learn a foreign language. These are all available to you with your library card.

We offer many programs for all ages at the library. We have baby and toddler story times, after-school programs like Lego Club, Messy Art Club and Mad Scientist's club, and a variety of programs for adults including two book discussions each month. On September 27, at 6:30 p.m. there will be a program called, *One Man's Civil War: Letters & Songs from the Civil War* presented by an historian and reenactor.

Then on October 19, at 6:30 p.m., we welcome author Chad Lewis to talk about the *Most Gruesome Hauntings of the Midwest*. Check our web site www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us or library newsletter for more information on these and other programs.

Support the Friends of the Library by joining for just a \$10 membership fee. We are looking for new members and volunteers to help at our events. The Friends host a monthly Movie Night, a Trick or Trivia event on October 28th, and work diligently to maintain their ongoing Book Store in the library, along with many other events throughout the year.

As always, I encourage you to contact me with any comments or suggestions regarding the library. You can reach me by phone at 262-723-2678, x22 or by email at lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us.

Lisa Selje, Library Director

NOMINATION PAPERS FOR CITY OFFICES AT SPRING ELECTION

Anyone interested in running for the elected offices of Alderman in District 1, 2 or 5 may obtain the necessary documents from the City Clerk's office beginning November 14, 2016 or on the City website. New candidates should file a Campaign Registration Statement as soon as intent to seek elective office is known and before funds are collected or spent. Candidates may begin circulating nomination papers on December 1, 2016. Signed nomination papers must be filed with the Clerk by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2017. Contact the City Clerk with any questions on running for office. The spring election will be held on April 4, 2017. If necessary, a primary election will be held on February 21, 2017.

Placing Election Campaign Signs in Your Yard

Just a reminder that City Ordinances prohibit placing of signs in the terrace or on City property. Campaign signs on residential property are limited to one per candidate, not to exceed 20 square feet in area on all sides. In business or industrial districts, no more than 2 campaign signs are permitted, not to exceed a total of 32 square feet. Be sure to obtain permission from the property owner before placing any signs. Display signs only during the election campaign period.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES

City Hall will be closed in observance of holidays during the fall and winter, the dates are:

- Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25, 2016
- Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26, 2016
- Friday, December 30, 2016 and Monday, January 2, 2017
- Friday, April 14, 2017

Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday, November 6th at 2 a.m. so be sure to set your clocks back 1 hour

Fall and Spring Elections

(all are 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.):

November 8, 2016 - Fall General Election, this election will take place at the Army National Guard Armory located at 401 Fair Avenue (next to Jackson Elementary)

February 21, 2017 - Spring Primary (if needed) this election will take place at the Parks & Rec Center at 200 Devendorf Street

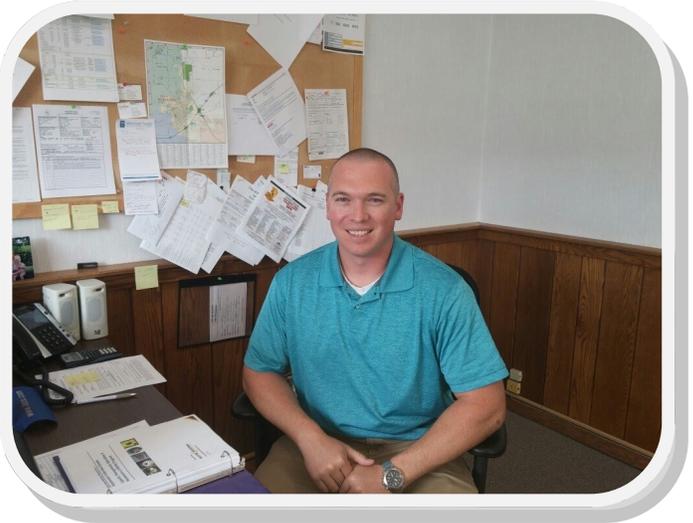
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NEW EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

In July **Neal Kolb** joined the City of Elkhorn as the **Public Works Operations Manager**. He oversees 8 full time and 5 seasonal Public Works employees. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Prior to joining Elkhorn, Neal served for 8 years as the Manager of Lake Como Sanitary District. He was responsible for the administrative duties and oversaw the operations of the drinking water system and sewage collection facility. He enjoys the diversity of challenges that accompany Public Works operations. Neal has been a lifelong resident of the area and is excited to be with the City of Elkhorn.



The City of Elkhorn Police Department welcomes our newest **Community Service Officer—Xenia Rodriguez**. Xenia is a graduate of Elkhorn Area High School and was the first recipient of the Elkhorn Police Department Scholarship for students entering the criminal justice field. Xenia is currently completing her Criminal Justice Degree at Gateway Technical College and working towards her Emergency Medical Technician Certification (EMT).

Xenia is also employed as a part time dispatcher for the Delavan Police Department and works as needed for Franks County Market decorating cakes.

Xenia’s ability to speak two languages as well as a host of other skills make her a valued member of the department. Xenia’s goal is to pursue a career as a law enforcement officer in Wisconsin.

A few of the things Xenia enjoys are family, friends, working out, and learning new things.

Welcome to the team Xenia!!

City Departments are on Facebook:

- City of Elkhorn**
- City of Elkhorn Police Department**
- City of Elkhorn Electric Department**
- Elkhorn Recreation Department**



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IMPORTANT CITY SERVICES INFORMATION ENCLOSED

**Want to stay updated on
City meetings, events and happenings?
Use your smart phone to scan the QR
Code and go directly to the City's calendar!**



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City Hall	723-2219
Public Works Dept.	723-2223
Recreation Dept.	741-5114
Utility Billing	723-2910
Utility Operations	723-3138
Building Inspection	741-5124
Zoning	741-5124
Assessor	1-800-770-3927
Police Department	723-2210
Municipal Court	723-2340
Library	723-2678

**After Hours (Electric, Water, Sewer)
Emergency No. 723-3229**

City Government:

Mayor: Howie Reynolds

City Council Districts:

One: Hoss Rehberg

Two: Michael Kluck

Three: Bruce Lechner

Four: Scott McClory

Five: Tom Myrin

Six: Cathy Bensaid

City Staff:

City Administrator: Sam Tapson

City Clerk: Cairie Virrueta

City Treasurer: Jessie Bartmann

Finance Director: James Heilman

Public Works: Neal Kolb

Utility Operations: John Murphy

Police Chief: Joel Christensen

Fire Chief: Rod Smith

Recreation Director: Wendy Meyer

Library Director: Lisa Selje