FALL 2020 NEWSLETTER

October, November, December



"Rich in natural resources and beautiful landscapes, the riverfront City of Kaukauna combines traditional Midwestern values with a history of progressive moves - from free education to clean energy - that protect and enhance the long-term health and stability of the community for generations to come." In August 2020, we officially launched the new brand for the City of Kaukauna. While implementation has begun across our digital platforms and other areas, full implementation of the brand across municipal wayfinding signage, fleet vehicles, and exterior applications will transition over the next few years. To learn more about our brand story, click here.

A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR PENTERMAN

From the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, our focus and priority has been, and continues to be, on the health and safety of our employees and residents. Face coverings are required when inside any city-owned building/facility for all employees, as well as visitors, to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

As a reminder, we ask residents and other visitors to please first consider using our website or calling the appropriate department for assistance. We offer many options to serve residents' needs without making an in-person visit.

Please note that person-to-person meetings between the public and staff are available by appointment only. Please call the appropriate department to make arrangements.

Thank you, Kaukauna, for doing your part to help stop the spread of the coronavirus. Stay safe and well, Kaukauna!

Sincerely,

Mayor Tony Penterman

POLLING PLACES - NOVEMBER 3 GENERAL ELECTION

Early voting for the General Election begins October 20 and ends on October 30 (8:00-4:30 PM). All early voting will take place at the Municipal Services Building.

The following polling locations will be used for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Aldermanic Districts 1 & 2/Wards 1-5, 12 & 14 – vote at the Municipal Services Building (144 West Second Street).

Aldermanic Districts 3 & 4/Wards 6-11, 13 & 15 vote in the Community Room at the Streets, Parks, and Rec (SPAR) Building (207 Reaume Avenue).

Polls open at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm.

HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREAT HOURS

Please note that because Halloween falls on a weekend this year and next, Trick-or-Treat hours for the City of Kaukauna will be revised to 1-4 PM in 2020 and 2021.

TAX PAYMENT INFORMATION

Tax office hours 8 AM-4:30 PM, M-F. Dropbox for payments by the main entrance at 144 W. Second St. City Treasurer's Office closed 12/24 and 12/25/20 & 1/1/21.

Other tax payment locations: Bank of Kaukauna inside ONLY (9 AM-4 PM, M-F), Capital Credit Union inside, and both Piggly Wiggly stores 10 AM-6 PM, M-F and 9 AM-3 PM Saturdays.

Outagamie County accepting payments after 1/31/21. Credit card or E-check – www.outagamie.org or 920-832-5065 – small fee charged.

CALENDAR

Please click here to view the October, November and December calendars.



October Calendar Photo, Submitted by Barb Buechel

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

Be advised of the following City of Kaukauna ordinance:

Sec. 8.13. - Snow and ice removal.

(1)All owners or occupants of real property shall remove or cause to be removed within 48 hours after a snowstorm in the city, all snow and ice accumulated on the sidewalks and wheelchair/crosswalk ramps contiguous to the premises they own or occupy. If the owner or occupant fails to comply with this section, the city, under the direction of the street superintendent, shall cause the snow or ice to be removed and the cost and expense thereof assessed as a special tax under Wis. Stats. § 66.0627, upon the lot contiguous to the sidewalk cleared. The cost for snow removal shall be \$1.50/lineal foot of sidewalk frontage with a minimum charge of \$150.00, and a charge of \$150.00 per hour for additional work required to facilitate clearing of sidewalk(s) and wheelchair/crosswalk ramps. Any owner or occupant who does not comply with this section shall, in addition to any tax levied, be subject to forfeiture under section 25.04 of this Code.

(2)The moving or depositing of snow from a private or business property, such as parking lots, filling stations, private driveways, and other areas onto or into the streets or highways of the city is prohibited. Any person violating this prohibition shall be subject to forfeiture under section 25.04 of this Code. (Code 2011, § 8.13; Ord. No. 1794, 11-19-2019)

You will not receive a personal warning. Your walk will automatically be cleared if it is in violation of the above ordinance.

For any questions, please call the Street and Park Department at 766-6337.

FALL PROGRAMMING

Click here for fall programming from Kaukauna Public Library and 1000 Islands Environmental Center.

ANNUAL LEAF PICK-UP

WHERE: Rake leaves ONLY onto the terrace at the edge of pavement beginning October 12 and ending on your normal garbage pick-up day the week of November 9.

HOW: In LOW PILES so children cannot be hidden from motorists' view and close to the curb so as not to interfere with traffic. Do not put leaves in gutter, as they will plug the sewers. Please have out by 7 am.

WHEN: City crews will start collecting leaves on October 12 (North Side, Ward No. 1) and thereafter, we will attempt to pick up on your normal garbage collection day and continue until final pick-up the week of Nov. 9.

WHAT: LEAVES ONLY!! Grass and garden debris will not be picked up.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

In an effort to avoid property damage that is caused during automated garbage pick-ups, PLEASE maintain 4 FEET of clearance between your automated garbage can and any other items (i.e. mailbox, recycling containers, and snow banks). Also, please bag your garbage and tie your garbage bags before putting them into the collection containers to assist in keeping our neighborhoods clean. Please call 766-6337 with any questions.

FREE YARD WASTE DROP-OFF

Because of the cooperation of City residents, the Street Department is offering four days of FREE yard waste drop-off at 340 W. 3rd Street. Vouchers will not be required for these four drop-off days.

All yard waste must be in paper compost bags or cans. Loose yard waste and yard waste in plastic bags will not be accepted. Grass clippings will be accepted, however, the City of Kaukauna and the DNR encourage residents to leave clippings on the lawn. Lawn clippings are a good source of fertilizer and can also make excellent compost.

FREE YARD WASTE DROP-0FF DATES

Weekday Drop-off: Thursday, October 22 - 7:15 am - 7:00 pm Friday, October 23 - 7:15 am - 3:00 pm Thursday, October 29 - 7:15 am - 3:00 pm (*Final Day)

Saturday Drop-off: October 24 - 9:00 am - noon

FALL CLEAN-UP WEEK - 11/2-11/5/20

Garden debris, small sticks, and twigs MUST be in the 2-ply Kraft paper compost bags or in an open container with handles not larger than thirty (30) gallons and not weighing more than fifty (50) pounds. Plastic bags, paper bags or boxes of any kind containing yard waste WILL NOT be collected. (Note...there is a difference between a compost bag and a regular paper bag.)

Grass clippings will be accepted. However, the City of Kaukauna and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources encourage residents to leave their grass clippings on the lawn. Lawn clippings are a good source of fertilizer and can also make excellent compost. If there are any questions call the Street Department office at 766-6337



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BRUSH ORDINANCE

BRUSH IS COLLECTED DURING THE SECOND FULL WEEK OF EACH MONTH

Must be a minimum of 2' and a maximum of 6' in length. Brush 2'- 4' in length must be bundled and secured with twine or string. Bundles and/or branches shall not exceed 50# in weight. Bundles shall not be greater than 15" in diameter. Side branches on large limbs shall be removed.

Must be placed at the curb or alley line no more than 24 hours prior to the time of collection. Maximum pile height shall not exceed 4'. Butt ends shall face the roadway.

Roots shall be removed from brush.

Brush shall only be placed for collection by the owner or occupant who performed the brush removal, not by any contractor performing such work. Contractor is responsible for removal of any brush created by his/her work.

Brush placed for collection in violation of these requirements will not be collected.

RECYCLING REMINDER

State and local laws require everyone in Wisconsin to recycle newspaper, magazines, cardboard, glass/plastic/aluminum/steel food and beverage containers. You may call ORION (formerly Inland Service), 759-0501, for information regarding our bi-weekly recycling.

In an effort to avoid property damage that may be caused during automated recycle pick-up, PLEASE maintain 4 FEET of clearance between your automated recycle can and any other items (i.e. mailbox, garbage container, and snow banks).

LOTTERY CREDIT

If you owned your home on January 1, 2020, and use it as your primary residence, you are eligible to receive a lottery and gaming credit. Check your tax bill. If the credit is not on your bill, stop in the Clerk's office to sign a late claim form by January 31, 2021.

LARGE & IRREGULAR PICK-UP & BRANCH PICK-UP NOV. 9-12

City crews will pick up anything (except hazardous waste, electronics, tvs, propane tanks, tires and motor oil) that you put out on your normal garbage collection day

White Goods will need a sticker before placing them out for collection. Stickers can be purchased at the City Clerk's Office at 144 W. Second Street, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Refrigerant stickers (freezer, refrigerator, air conditioner, or dehumidifier) are \$15.00. Non-refrigerant stickers (stove, microwave, oven, washer, dryer, dishwasher, furnace or water heater) are \$10.00. If appliance is left on curb or alley more than 24 hours previous to your garbage day, a charge of \$20.00 plus cost of sticker will be billed to property owner.

Limbs and branches 2'-4' in length should be wrapped in bundles. Limbs and branches 4'-6' long should be neatly placed on the terrace with the butt ends facing the roadway. (Limb and branch collection by the City occurs during the second full week of every month).

Take this opportunity to clean up around your home and garage and dispose of any unwanted items. Please make sure these items are out by 7:00 a.m. on your normal garbage pick up day.

If there are any questions call the Street Department office at 766-6337.

Hazardous waste: solvents, gasoline, fuel oil, pesticides, insecticides, herbicides, antifreeze, lead based paints/oil based paints, acids and alkalis, etc. THESE ITEMS CANNOT BE PUT OUT FOR PICK-UP. Please call the Outagamie County Solid Waste facility at 832-5277 with hazardous waste questions.



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