Village of Grantsburg News

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RECYCLING ATTENDENT

Nathan Glover

The Grantsburg Village Board of Trustees meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00 pm at 316 South Brad Street. All meetings are open to the public. If you would like to appear in front of the board, please call the Village office at 715-463-2405 by the Thursday prior to the meeting to be placed on the agenda.

2024 PET LICENSES AVAILABLE!

All dogs, 5 months of age and older, MUST be licensed in the Village each year. A \$5 late fee will be assessed after April 1st for each dog registered unless the dog is new to your home. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required at time of licensing if not already on file.

FEES FOR 2024: Males/Females \$10 Neutered Males \$5 Spayed Females \$5





WELCOME TO OUR NEW VILLAGE EMPLOYEES!



Andrew Tyler F/T GPD Officer



Brady Mangen
P/T GPD Officer



Al Hicks F/T Village Crew

21st Annual Lions Holiday in the Park

Be sure to check out the Christmas in the Park Light display at the James N.

McNally Campground. Thank you to the all the businesses and organizations that have participated, it is quite a wonderful site to behold this year!

WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS NOW THROUGH MARCH

A friendly reminder that as we gear up for winter, there is no parking on ANY Village street from November 1st to April 1st between the hours of 12 a.m. and 6 a.m.

No parking on Main Street continues to be from 3 a.m. to 7 a.m. year-round. Main Street includes West Madison Avenue between Pine Street and Oak Street and North Oak Street between West Madison Avenue and West Olson Drive

The parking lot located on West Olson Drive between the Post Office and the Laundromat is available for parking. We appreciate your cooperation!



Keep Fire Hydrants Clear of Snow Every second counts in an emergency

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- Remove snow and ice from the hydrantClear an area approximately 3 feet around the hydrant
- Clear a path from the hydrant to the street



3 feet



The skating rink at Memory Lake Park will be open and available for use as soon as weather allows! Skating hours are daily from 8 am to 10 pm. The bathhouse will be available for use during skating hours. GHS students can volunteer to clean snow from the ice (with supervision) for community service hours! Contact Village Office for more info.

NEW BILLING OPTION FOR 2024!

Quarterly utility bills can now be emailed to you! Please contact the Village Office to sign up or stop in for further details.

Don't forget to sign up for TextMyGov, the smart texting and two-way communications service! It's simple to join and FREE to use.

Just call the Village Office and supply your cell phone number and you will receive text notifications about important Village alerts and events. You can also send text messages to the Village Office to find quick information and report issues around the Village.

SNOWBIRD REMINDER:

For those that travel south for the winter, remember to call the Village Office to stop trash service, turnoff curb stop and remember to call to restart your service in the spring!

2024 ELECTION SCHEDULE

Spring Election & Presidential Preference: Tuesday, April 2nd

Fall Partisan Primary Tuesday, August 13th

General Election

Tuesday, November 5th

Village Residents can register to vote prior to election day online at myyote.wi.gov or in person at the Village Office.



VILLAGE DRINKING WATER UPDATE

As detailed in the previous newsletter, the Village has contracted with an engineering firm to conduct pilot studies on Wells #1 and #2. These studies began in December and will help determine the next course of action in treating manganese at the two wells. Any findings from these studies and suggested next steps for treatment will be shared at monthly board meetings and detailed in these quarterly notices as information becomes available.

A public notice was placed in the December 20th edition of the Burnett County Sentinel. This notice will be issued quarterly until manganese levels at Well #1 and Well #2 are below the 300 PPB limit set by the EPA. The Village Crew continues to test manganese levels 3 times per week throughout the distribution system and those levels continue to remain below the 300PPB limit. If you have any questions, please contact the Village Office for further details.

BACKFLOW REMINDER

Any non-self-draining backflow preventers located on outdoor faucets or spickets must be removed during months with freezing temperatures. Please see the pictures below to determine if you have any backflow preventers that need to be removed.

The brass/gold colored backflow preventer shown below **MUST BE REMOVED**.

The silver self-draining backflow preventer shown below does not need to be removed.



PREVENT FREEZING PIPES THIS WINTER!

If you are concerned about freezing pipes during periods of cold weather or frost, here are a few guidelines:

- 1. **MONITOR** your home's water temperature. Run water for several minutes before temping. If the temp is less than 38 degrees, please contact the Public Works Department for further guidance.
- 2. **ENSURE** roof vents are clear of snow or other blockages. Blocked vents will cause slow draining and prevent warm air in the system from venting, which keeps pipes above freezing.
- 3. **REMOVE** items from a vanity or utility room. Most often pipes freeze where they enter a building. Keeping these areas clear of clutter allows warm air to reach the pipes.

If after determining your risk level, you choose to run water to prevent your pipes from freezing, please contact the Village Office before you start running water to verify how this may affect your utility bill.

