

VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON - NEWSLETTER

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HYDRANT FLUSHING



The Village of Arlington Water Utility will begin fall hydrant flushing soon. The flushing of hydrants is done to clean and remove sediment from water mains that could cause discolored water to get into homes. However, homeowners may experience some discoloration of water the week of hydrant flushing. Discolored water could be drawn into homes if water is used while an area main is being flushed. If discolored water is noticed in a home or business the discoloration can be cleared up by turning on cold-water tap(s) until water clears up. If discoloration or other problems continue call Dan Mulhern at 635-4781.

ASSOCIATED APPRAISAL SERVICE

Did you know that you can contact the Village Assessor year round? No need to wait until the Village wide Open Book. Just contact Associated Appraisal and ask for Nick Laird. He would be happy to talk with you regarding your current property assessment and can explain comparable properties used as well as local trends for values. Call Nick @ 1-800-721-4157. You can also access your property information online at apraz.com and do a 'Property Search'. This search can be done for your own personal parcel or parcels you may be looking at purchasing.

BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED

Yes, you need a building permit (well maybe!)..... Don't ask your neighbor, don't ask the guy who just did it down the street... call the Village office and get the answer to avoid the possibility of double the fees for not getting the permit as required.

- We DO require permits for sheds and no it doesn't matter what kind of shed.
- We DO require permits for fences, yes, even if you are just extending or changing an old one.

Please save the frustration and cost incurred by not doing it properly - you know your neighbors are watching and calling to see why you don't have a permit in the window. Building permit applications are on our website - fill it out, include a rough drawing, and drop it off at the office or in the night drop - I will contact you right away if the permit is not required for your particular work or I will forward it on to the Building Inspector. No money needed until we issue it.

VILLAGE ORDINANCE

DOOR TO DOOR SALES

The Village has an ordinance requiring door to door salespeople (*Also called transient merchant*) apply for, and carry with them, a **Village permit**. If someone comes to your door trying to sell you anything not allowed below... Make sure to ask them for their Village Permit. If they do not have one, let them know that a permit is required and feel free to contact the Columbia County Sheriff if they refuse to leave the Village or become unfriendly.

The Village ordinance was created to keep door to door sales to a minimum and to make sure back ground checks are done on those people walking around. You are welcome to contact the Village Office at 635-2474 if during daytime hours. Wisconsin allows the following list of transactions that can happen door to door without a permit:

- Wisconsin agricultural products the person has grown (vegetables, honey, flowers, etc)
- Prior/current merchant/customer transactions
- Charitable Organization such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
- Village residents under 18 years of age

ONLINE WATER/SEWER PAYMENTS

Customers can pay their water/sewer bills online at the Village website then Water/Sewer Utilities. Customers will be charged a convenience fee plus \$1.00. Please note, your account may not be credited right away as there is a delay.

STREET LIGHTS


Call Alliant Energy or go online to their website to enter the information regarding a light outage or issue.

<http://www.alliantenergy.com/CustomerService/StormandOutageCenter/StreetLights/index.htm>


PRIVATE PROPERTY

The Village is lucky enough to have some beautiful prairie lands around us. Unfortunately, this land is mostly private owned so it's not open for residents to walk their dogs, let kids play, or dump yard waste without permission. Please be respectful of others property and don't assume that because the road ends there, that it is open for your enjoyment; especially if it is barricaded (or was before it was damaged/stolen by someone). Private property is just that and we are requesting residents be respectful of others property.

BICYCLES IN THE STREET

 Reminder to all bike riders and parents... You must stop at Stop signs and obey the laws of the street. There have been a few close calls here where kids on bikes are not stopping or paying attention to traffic. There are also a number of very young ones riding in the streets without helmets making residents fearful of driving on their own streets. Please keep little ones out of the streets.

BRUSH PILE

Please **DO NOT** put your brush or clippings on a hot ash pile. This will cause unnecessary smoke in the Village or a possible un-monitored fire. The Village does not burn painted wood or anything with screws/nails – please limit items added to the pile to just burnable brush and limbs. And, don't forget – You're on camera. 

BRUSH - LEAF PICKUP

Brush and leaves shall be collected on the second Monday of each month from April through October. See Village website. **DO NOT PUT IN STREET OR ON SIDEWALK**, this will cause storm water drain problems.

Your Government

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Bryan Bjorge
Trustee	James Laatsch
Trustee	Tim Rittmeyer
Trustee	Traci Wells
Trustee	Jason Humboldt

Village Board meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at the Arlington Community Center.

VILLAGE OFFICE

PJ Monson, CMC, WCMC
Village Clerk - Treasurer
608-635-2474 – Village email:
villageofarlington@centurytel.net

Office Hours:

Monday:	8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday:	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday:	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

If the Village office is closed during business hours, I am at a meeting or running Village errands. Please utilize the night drop box by the front door.

VILLAGE PUBLIC WORKS DEPT

Garage	635-4781
Dan Mulhern	697-9685
Craig Johnson	635-5557

Water/Sewer Utility changes call the Village Office 635-2474

PELLITTERI WASTE SYSTEMS

Trash and Recycling 257-4285
24 hour telephone center

COLUMBIA CTY RECYCLING

608-742-6651

VILLAGE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Kelly Green 697-7771