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CITY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Update on Northeast Water Treatment Plant

Elkhorn's new water treatment plant is more than halfway finished. The construction company, Miron Construction Company, of Neenah, WI, continues with the work on the $8.75 million water treatment plant on Cobb Road on the northeast side of the City. The completion date is scheduled for the end of August of this year.

2017 Road Construction Updates

This year the City of Elkhorn will contract with Townsend Construction to reconstruct the 100, 200, and 300 blocks of S. Jackson Street (from E. Geneva St to E. Centralia St). The project is anticipated to begin no sooner than April 17th with a substantial completion date of September 15th. The project will consist of approximately 1500 feet of asphalt replacement, new concrete curb and gutter, new concrete sidewalks, storm sewer mains and inlets, sanitary sewer mains and manholes, replacement of existing fire hydrants, and landscape restoration. As part of the work, the hill that was created by the now abandoned Wisconsin & Southern Railway will be cut down to improve the safety of the new street.

The plans for E. Market St to be constructed between Court St and E. Geneva St are being developed. Early site work for this project may take place as soon as fall of 2017.

Construction area on S. Jackson St.
**LETTER FROM THE MAYOR**

I am excited to write everyone with the start of summer coming. That means people enjoying the outdoors with their families and friends, children playing in our wonderful parks, the opening of the swimming pool, movies in the park, Nights Under the Lights and too many other great activities to mention.

This summer the City plans to fix South Jackson Street and open our new water treatment plant in August. I am very excited about this plant because our west side wells are over 50 years old and could break down anytime. As a fellow taxpayer, I would hate to put money into them and I want to see a fresh water supply for everyone.

I hope everyone has a great summer!

Howie Reynolds

The Mayor can be emailed at mayor@cityofelkhorn.org or call him at 262-741-5117

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**Community Days of Elkhorn
June 16-18**

This NEW event features all things Elkhorn! The Elkhorn Chamber of Commerce invites you to help kick-off the summer with friends and family over these three days!

**Friday, June 16th** the evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with an Aqua Skiers performance on Elkhorn Lake followed by a movie on the beach at Babe Mann Park.

**Saturday, June 17th** will be filled with activities for all ages throughout the community. Starting at 8 a.m. in Babe Mann Park, is the annual RUN UNITED 5K run/walk and 1 mile fun run for kids brought to you by United Way of Walworth County. Sign up and learn more by visiting their website: www.uw-wc.org. Throughout the day visit community and youth groups, play games, view live demos and enjoy bounce houses in and around Babe Mann Park. Food and entertainment will be on site for your enjoyment. At 6 p.m. the Lauderdale Aqua Skiers will perform on Elkhorn Lake, which will bring park activities to its finale. Finish the evening by supporting the Elkhorn Area Fire Department at their Annual Street Dance in front of the fire house in downtown Elkhorn at 6 p.m. The band, Chasin Mason starts at 8 p.m.

**Sunday, June 18th** spend your Father’s Day at the Third Annual Pride & Joy Car Show from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. located in and around the Uncle Hunk’s Junk Building- home of the Elkhorn Area Chamber of Commerce. Classic cars, live music and food available.

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**CITY SCHEDULES OPEN BOOK, BOARD OF REVIEW**

Property owners will have an opportunity to meet the City’s assessor, Accurate Appraisal, LLC one-on-one during the following date and time at Open Book at City Hall in the First Floor Conference Room:

**OPEN BOOK:** Wednesday, April 12th, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Assessment Roll Books will be available at City Hall beginning April 1st during office hours. Appointments with Accurate Appraisal, LLC may be made on-line through the assessor’s website, www.accurateassessor.com, or by calling 1-800-770-3927.

If you are not satisfied with the results of Open Book, Board of Review is the next step. By following the steps outlined below you may attend Board of Review at City Hall in the Common Council Chambers:

**BOARD OF REVIEW:** Wednesday, May 17th, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

In order to attend Board of Review you need to fill out an Objection Form and submit it to the City Clerk prior to the Board of Review. Objection forms and a Board of Review Guide for Property Owners will be available in the Clerk’s Office May 1, 2017.

**Business Owners:** If you no longer have taxable personal property in Elkhorn, please notify the City Clerk. If not notified, you are responsible for the taxes.
ATTENTION ALL UTILITY CUSTOMERS

April 15, 2017 marks the end of the winter moratorium for all utility customers, which means anyone who has a past due balance will see a disconnect date on this bill. (See example below.)

In order to avoid electric disconnection, either pay the past due in full or set up a payment agreement if you are eligible:

1. Pay the FULL past due balance before 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2017. City Hall’s hours are from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A drop box is available outside the main entrance.
   • City Hall accepts cash, check, or money order.
   • Credit Card, Debit Card and Electronic Check (E-Check) Payments can be paid through Payment Service Network by phone 887-885-7968 or online www.cityofelkhorn.org -click Pay Utilities. A third party convenience fee applies. Credit card, debit card and e-check payments cannot be taken at City Hall. For any payments made on the morning of disconnect, April 19th, please call before 9:00 a.m. with the confirmation number to ensure your disconnection gets cancelled.

2. Deferred Payment Agreements (DPA) - (Residential Customers Only, if eligible): Please note there are new rules regarding tenants being eligible for DPAs

3. Residential Tenant Customers will not be eligible for a deferred payment agreement (DPA) if any of the following apply:
   • Residential tenant has/had greater than $100 of account arrearages more than 90 days past due.
   • Residential tenant has defaulted on a deferred payment agreement in the past 12 months.
   • 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.
   • Residential tenant has/had a balance that accrued during the winter moratorium that is more than 80 days past due.

If you are eligible to set up a payment agreement. You will be required to pay a minimum of 50% down of the FULL balance on your account, and sign an agreement for the balance. When negotiating the agreement, we will also be taking into consideration the effort you made to pay during the moratorium months. All deferred payment arrangements must be signed by the account holder.

⇒ Energy Assistance: Assistance may be available through Energy Services of Walworth County. Call (262)427-8505 immediately to setup an appointment as funds may be limited. You may also call First Call for Help by dialing 211 to inquire on other assistance options.

⇒ Medical Conditions: If a serious medical condition exists in your household that requires uninterrupted service, you must take IMMEDIATE action. Call our office at (262)723-2910 to discuss your options. Please note that prescriptions that need to be refrigerated (i.e. insulin), do not qualify for uninterrupted service options.

**WHEAP Income Guidelines**

For the 2016-2017 Heating Season

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**STAR SPANGLED CELEBRATION**

Mark your calendars! The City of Elkhorn fireworks display will be Friday, June 30th at dusk at Sunset Park. The celebration would not be complete without its traditional Holton-Elkhorn Band and Elkhorn 4-H Club ice cream social!

**OUTFIELD SIGNAGE PROGRAM**

Do you want hundreds of people from Elkhorn and the surrounding areas to see your business name, phone or email for the entire summer? And all for a small fee? If yes, we have the answer for you! The Elkhorn Recreation Department is now in charge of all advertising signage for the outfields at Harris Park. If you would like more information on how to put your business information where it will be seen by thousands of people, please contact us at 262-741-5114 or elkhornparkandrec@cityofelkhorn.org All funds raised from the signage program will go back into a dedicated park fund to help support the fields, and other park projects.

**IMPORTANT PEDESTRIAN SAFETY REMINDERS**

Be especially careful at intersections as failure to yield right-of-way can occur when drivers are turning onto another street and a pedestrian is in their path.

When possible, cross the street at a designated crosswalk. Always stop and look left, right, and left again before crossing. If a parked vehicle is blocking the view of the street, stop at the edge line of the vehicle and look around it before entering the street.

Increase visibility at night by carrying a flashlight when walking and by wearing retro-reflective clothing that helps to highlight body movements.

It is much safer to walk on a sidewalk, but if you must walk in the street, walk facing traffic.

**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 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.
NEW EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Lacey graduated from the State University of New York - Farmingdale with her Associate Degree in Business Administration. She is also a Certified Dance Instructor and currently teaches Ballet, Tap & Jazz at Toe to Toe Ballet School. Lacey has been dancing since she was 4 years old and now shares her passion for dance with her 2 daughters and many students. Lacey resides in Elkhorn with her husband and 3 children and she enjoys family movie nights, coffee with friends and chocolate.

Welcome to City Hall, Lacey Reynolds!

Daniel Robers is a public works crewman as of January. He graduated from Elkhorn Area High School in 2007. Daniel started his family shortly after getting married in the late fall of 2007 and having the first of his 6 children in February of 2008. He acquired several certifications from Gateway Technical College in welding and fabrication. With his ability to repair just about anything, from household items such as plumbing, electrical and construction to rebuilding engines and painting vehicles he will be a valued member of the team. He thanks his dad Kevin for all the years of experience. Some of his passions include carpentry and mechanic work.

Welcome to the Public Works Department, Daniel Robers!

Nathan (Nate) Porter joined the City of Elkhorn public works crew in February. He has lived in Elkhorn for the past 9 years and has been a life long resident in Walworth County. He is married and has three children ages seven, two and two months. Some of his hobbies include weight lifting, working on his “honey do” list and spending time with his family.

Welcome to the Public Works Department, Nate Porter!

CITY MOVING TO ONLINE NEWSLETTER

Do you enjoy receiving the City’s biannual newsletter? Did you know it is also online? The full newsletter is available on the City’s website, cityofelkhorn.org. It is complete with color photos and quick links to websites and emails! And soon it may contain video clips.

The City understands many eco-minded residents would prefer to receive the newsletter delivered to their email or accessed at the City’s website rather than a mailed paper copy. In response, the City is moving to a subscription based emailed newsletter. For those who still want a printed copy now and then, there will also be printed copies available at City Hall and the library.

If you would like a newsletter delivered to your email, you can sign up by emailing info@cityofelkhorn.org. If you prefer to access it on the City’s website, it is published twice a year, right around the first day of fall in September and the first day of spring in March. If you have any questions, please call the City Clerk at 262-723-2219.

www.cityofelkhorn.org
SPRING BRUSH COLLECTION SCHEDULE—2017

NOTE: Brush Collection during all weeks begins on Tuesday and ends once route is complete

Tuesday, April 4, May 2 & June 6: Northeast Section
Tuesday, April 11, May 9 & June 13: Southeast Section
Tuesday, April 18, May 16 & June 20: Southwest Section
Tuesday, April 25, May 23 & June 27: Northwest Section

RESIDENT GUIDELINES:

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

All brush must be placed on the terrace by 7 a.m. 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 Public Works 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 Public Works office may be contacted at 723-2223 for fees but only during the Spring Brush Collection season that ends June 30, 2017.

Spring Leaf Collection/Seasonal Burning—2017

Spring Leaf Collection is scheduled to begin Monday, April 10th and ends on Friday, April 21st (a 2 week period of time). Advanced Disposal, the City’s refuse/recycling contractor, conducts this leaf collection. The City is divided into 5 sections during the Spring Leaf Collection. Each section will have leaf pickup on an assigned day of the week. A full color map is available on the City’s website or at City Hall. Call DPW if you have any questions at 723-2223.

Leaves will only be collected during your assigned day

* Leaves should NOT be in the gutter earlier than the Saturday prior to your pickup day
* Leaves MUST be in the gutter no later than 7 a.m. of the scheduled pickup day

Seasonal Leaf Burning is allowed between April 1 and May 31 without a permit, any other dates require a permit.

* Burning shall occur on the resident’s property at a minimum distance of 25 feet from any occupied dwelling
* NO burning when wind is in excess of 10 miles per hour

Yard Waste Drop-Off Site - City Garage

12 E. First Ave. (Fenced area adjacent to N. Washington St.)

Opening Date: Saturday, April 1, 2017

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 no larger than 3 X 3 feet
* NO stumps, roots or shrubs with intact root balls
* NO plastic bags

Grass Clippings Reminder
The City of Elkhorn ordinances does not allow grass clippings to be put into the street. Violators may be subject to citations.
Advanced Disposal
ITEMS TO BE RECYCLED

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

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<td>Includes glossy inserts, catalogs, mail circulars, phone books, paper-back books, cereal boxes, envelopes, wrapping paper, etc.</td>
<td>This includes plastic bottles with threaded caps, the recycling symbol ( \bigcirc ) 1 through 5 &amp; 7. All plastic bottles must be rinsed completely. No deli or butter containers.</td>
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<td><strong>Cardboard (Flattened)</strong></td>
<td><strong>Waste Oil</strong></td>
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<td>Clean cardboard only. Must be broken down, flattened, and tied in bundles.</td>
<td>Common engine oil only. Must be in a leak-proof, non-breakable, one gallon jug with a threaded lid labeled oil.</td>
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<td><strong>Glass (Clear-Brown-Green)</strong></td>
<td><strong>Lead Acid Vehicle Batteries</strong></td>
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<td>All bottles and jars must be rinsed out. No window glass, light bulbs, TV tubes, drinking glass, etc.</td>
<td>Car and truck batteries only. Battery casings must be unbroken.</td>
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<td><strong>Aluminum</strong></td>
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<td>Aluminum beverage cans only. No aluminum foil.</td>
<td>Car tires off the rim. 2 per week up to 8 per year.</td>
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<td><strong>Tin &amp; Bi-metal Cans</strong></td>
<td><strong>Oil, Batteries, and Tires go next to your recycle container.</strong></td>
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<td>Soup, vegetable, juice cans, etc. All cans must be rinsed out completely.</td>
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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:
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!
NEW! REGISTER TO VOTE ONLINE!

NEW! REGISTER ONLINE! Up to 20 days before the election, voters who have a valid State of Wisconsin Driver License or State of Wisconsin ID card issued by the Wisconsin Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) can register to vote online on the MyVote Wisconsin website: http://myvote.wi.gov. To register online, the voter must enter a name, date of birth, Driver License or ID number and address that matches what is on file with the Wisconsin DMV. If all of the fields match, the voter will be able to register to vote completely online without needing to print, sign or mail the form and without needing to send a proof of residence document. Voters who are not able to match their information with the information in the DMV database will be given the option to register by mail (see instructions below) or in the municipal clerk’s office.

REGISTER BY MAIL. Up to 20 days before the election. Registration forms should be mailed to your municipal clerk. You can start your voter registration form online at http://myvote.wi.gov. Your form must be printed, signed, and mailed or delivered, to your municipal clerk. You must always provide a Proof of Residence document when registering. If you are registering by mail, you can use any of the forms of proof of residence except a residential lease.

REGISTER IN-PERSON. You may register in-person in the City Clerk’s office up until the Friday before the election at 5 p.m. You must always provide a proof of residence document when registering to vote.

AT THE POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY. You may register at the polls on Election Day. You must always provide a Proof of Residence document when registering to vote.

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING TO REGISTER TO VOTE? If you have been issued a State of Wisconsin Driver License or ID card that is valid, you must provide the number and expiration date. If your WI driver license is cancelled or expired; or your WI DOT-issued ID is expired, provide the number and the last 4 digits of your Social Security number. If you have not been issued a WI driver license or WI DOT-issued ID, you must provide the last 4 digits of your Social Security number. If you have none of these documents, you will be able to indicate that fact. You must provide a Proof of Residence Document when registering to vote in Wisconsin. A Proof of Residence Document is a document that proves where you live in Wisconsin. Please see the Proof of Residence handout for a list of acceptable documents.

IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT REGISTRATION? Photo ID is never required when registering to vote. However, a proof of residence document is always needed when registering to vote in Wisconsin. Voters must reside at their address for at least 10 days by Election Day in order to register to vote. Voters who have moved within Wisconsin less than 10 days before the election must vote from their previous address, either by absentee ballot or at the polling place. Voters who have moved to Wisconsin from another state less than 10 days before an election are only eligible to vote in Presidential elections. Wisconsin law no longer allows a “corroborating witness” to provide proof of residence. You cannot register the Saturday, Sunday, or Monday before an election, but you can register at the polling place on Election Day.

Find more information on the Photo ID law at www.BringIt.wi.gov. Register to vote or check your registration status at: www.MyVote.wi.gov Contact the Wisconsin Elections Commission at 1-866-Vote-Wis or at elections@wi.gov.
SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 9TH ~ NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHTS IS BACK!

School is out! The Recreation Department begins summer break with the 5th Annual Night Under the Lights Celebration! Activities will begin at 5:00 p.m. at Harris Park. Games will be played all night! Face painting, chalk art, obstacle course, inflatables, basketball and soccer competitions, music, concessions, raffle baskets, and much more! Every player who wears their 2017 uniform from Rookie Sports through 14U will receive a free hot dog. See you there! Volunteers needed!

HAVING A PARTY OR MEETING? WE HAVE THE PERFECT SPACE FOR YOU!

The Recreation Center, Rotary, Harris Park, Lions Den and Babe Mann Park Rentals are filling up quick! If you know when you want to reserve any of these areas, please stop in at the Rec Center as soon as you can to secure your date! Residents pay only $20 per hour for the Recreation Center and $40/per 4 hour block for outdoor pavilions. Dates fill up fast, so book your party TODAY!

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER JOB?

The Recreation Department is looking for summer employees for lifeguard, swim instructor and concessions positions at the swimming pool, and employees for the summer youth camp, sport instructionals and umpires. If you enjoy working with the public and want to make some extra cash this summer, be sure to apply! Applications can be found on the City's website at cityofekhorn.org or by picking up an application at the Rec Center located in Sunset Park. Hiring begins soon so apply today! Limited spots available!

OUTDOOR MOVIES AT SUNSET PARK

Remember the old days of outdoor movie theaters? Returning to Sunset Park is this awesome experience for you and your family again this year! Our screen fills the entire band shell and is roughly 20 feet by 40 feet wide with a professional sound system. Bring your blanket or lawn chair and get comfortable! We have you covered with concessions from our park concession stand. Slushies, candy, popcorn, pizza, hot dogs... you name it – we got it! Specific dates and movies in the Summer Park & Rec Guide. Guide out early April!

2017 SUNSET CAMP! “SOF”= SUMMER OF FUN!

This year’s Sunset Camp, for ages 5-11 years, runs from June 12 through August 11 (no camp the week of July 3) from noon to 4 p.m. Our goal is to keep kids active and engaged outdoors! With a new theme each week, there is no way they will get bored. Some of the fun themes include Cake Boss, Fishing and Frogs and Junk Wars! And even better – campers get to swim 2 to 3 times a week, which is included in the registration fee. Also included is a camp t-shirt and field trip. A 10% sibling discount is available and summer payment plan if needed. Campers who attend summer school can take the bus to Sunset Park from the school.

The daily routine begins with sign-in and lunch from home under the Lions Den pavilion. Ages are then divided for organized sports, games, activities and crafts. Everyone will meet back at the Lions Den for pick up and sign-out. Campers should bring a bag lunch, snack, water bottle, swim suit, towel, sun lotion. Registration begins in early April. Contact the Rec Department for more information.

NEW AT SUNSET POOL!

Pool opens June 3rd! New special days—Senior Day, Tot Day, and Resident of Elkhorn Day! And don’t forget the Father’s Day Special! Family Fun Fridays are a must with pizza deals and only a $3 entry fee from 6-8 p.m. Water Zumba is on Monday & Wednesday at 10 a.m. Swim lessons offered on Tuesday/Thursday p.m. and Saturday a.m. Spots fill up fast so register early! Spoil that special someone with a private pool rental! Pool reservations begin April 4th. A group rate is available for 20 or more open swim along with various birthday packages available. Don’t wait—limited spots available!

Like Elkhorn Recreation Department on Facebook to stay up-to-date on all events and programs! Call us at 262-741-5114
www.nutlfest.com www.sunsetpoolelkhorn.com
**CIVIC CONNECTION**

**TIPS ON CRIME PREVENTION**

Crime Prevention and suppression cannot be the sole responsibility of the Police Department. It is critical that each individual resident and business owner take steps to assist in the prevention of criminal behavior/activity.

Many crimes occur when persons with criminal intent are presented with the OPPORTUNITY to realize their goals. The Crime Prevention process is intended to remove or lessen this opportunity. The Police Department contributes to this effort by visible and vigilant patrol, but this alone will not eliminate criminal activity.

There are four principles of residential security that if applied, can dramatically reduce your chances of becoming a victim. The four principles can be described as the four D’s:

**DETER** is the core element of opportunity. This involves techniques targeted toward the exterior of the residence. These are designed to make your home a ‘risky’ target. These include lighting, signs, and your immediate environment in general and the most important being community involvement in calling the police when something suspicious is seen. The sooner the police are called, the sooner the suspicious or criminal activity can be investigated and addressed.

**DELAYING** the criminal. Make it hard for a criminal to break in. The longer it takes for a burglar to break into your home the more chance the criminal has of being caught, and the burglar knows this. If a resident can delay the criminal’s entrance for at least four to five minutes, it is generally sufficient to prevent entry. These tactics include door and window locks designed to resist entry. Criminals are looking for easy, quiet and timely entry.

**DENY** the criminal access to your valuables is the next consideration. These strategies include marking household property, using a safe, and keeping inventories and disbursement of valuables.

**DETECTING** the criminal is obviously an important piece of the puzzle. Detection involves devices such as alarms, neighborhood watch, and even dogs.

**SPRING TIME ORDINANCE REMINDERS**

**Dog and Cat Licensing—Chapter 12.04**

All dogs or cats more than 5 months of age on January 1st or within 30 days of the dog or cat becoming 5 months of age must be licensed with the City. A certificate from a veterinarian showing that the dog or cat has a current rabies vaccination must be provided prior to the date of application for issuance or renewal of the license must be provided. The fee to license spayed or neutered pets is $13 or $30 if unaltered. A penalty of $5 is added if the pet is not registered before April 1. Registration forms are on the City’s website or at City Hall. If mailing in a form, be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope to mail your tag back to you.

**Curfew – Chapter 9.11**

Specified. No child under the age of 18 shall loiter, idle or remain upon any street, alley or other public place in the City between 10:30 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. the next day on Sunday through Thursday and between 12:00 midnight and 4:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday unless such child is accompanied by his parent, guardian or other adult person having legal custody of such child.

**Property Maintenance Code – Chapter 20**

- Every premises shall be maintained in a clean, sanitary and safe condition and shall comply with all applicable legal requirements of the City.
- Every foundation, roof, floor, exterior and interior wall, ceiling, inside and outside stair, every porch and every appurtenance thereto, shall be safe to use and capable of supporting the loads that normal use may cause to be placed thereon; and shall be maintained in sound condition and good repair.
- All exterior surfaces of buildings and fences made of materials not inherently resistant to deterioration shall be periodically coated with paint or another suitable preservation which provides adequate resistance to weathering.
The Library will be a busy place this spring. During the month of April, we will hold our annual Food for Fines all month. The library will forgive overdue fines, $1.00 for each nonperishable food item donated (up to $5.00), to benefit the Elkhorn Food Pantry. This offer may not be redeemed on lost items.

The Friends of Matheson Memorial Library, along with local PTA groups, is sponsoring an author visit with bestselling author, Tom Watson, in May. Mr. Watson will make an appearance at Jackson, West Side and Tibbets Elementary schools. He is the author of the “Stick Dog” and “Stick Cat” series and he will show the kids how to make a drawing themselves. His newest Stick Cat book, A Tail of Two Kitties, will be released on May 3. Details on his visit to Elkhorn will be on our website soon.

Other programs for adults this spring include a program on choosing the right pet, given by veterinarian Lorene Rockwell. She will cover things to consider when adopting a pet. We are also hosting a program on home remodeling tips, a gardening program, and we will show the PBS documentary Being Mortal: medicine and end-of-life treatment. Many of these programs require registration so check our website calendar for the current week’s club and project. All ages are welcome to drop in between 3:30 and 5:30 on Thursdays for these free programs. The theme for our special event in April is Community on April 19, at 10:30 a.m. There will be activities, treats, photo ops, crafts and more. This program is co-sponsored by the library and EASD Parent Connections, Step Ahead, The Learning Curve and Lakeland’s Little Learners.

Support the Friends of the Library by joining for just a $10 membership fee. We are looking for new members to help with our projects this year. Many hands make light work! The Friends host movie nights, authors, and work weekly to maintain their ongoing Book Store, along with many other events throughout the year like the Book & Bake Sales, Fridays with Oscar, and Trick or Trivia.

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, x9140 or by email at lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

Lisa Selje
Library Director
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!

FARMERS MARKET STARTS SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH

Elkhorn’s Farmers Market starts June 10th and runs through October 14th. The market is open each Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon on the square in downtown Elkhorn.

CORN & BRAT DAYS, AUGUST 4TH & 5TH

Enjoy the sounds, smells and tastes of summer in Elkhorn! Corn and Brat Days runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Formerly known as Festival of Summer, this event is being revived by the Elkhorn Chamber! Beginning at 11 a.m. on Friday, artisans and crafters will be on the square while Corn & Brats are served all day. Saturday, spend the day from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. enjoying downtown Elkhorn. Food, festival and fun for the whole family! Walk around, do a little shopping with the many crafters and vendors that line the square. The kids will have plenty to keep them occupied with all the activities available such as bounce houses, slides and more. Sit back and relax while you enjoy different entertainment on the community stage including performances from local groups.