



City of Milton Newsletter

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Sign Up to Participate in Make a Difference Day & Arbor Day



The City of Milton will be hosting Make a Difference Day and recognizing Arbor Day on April 27. All groups or organizations that are interested in completing projects are asked to contact City Hall at (608) 868-6900 ext. 5 to discuss project options. Participants can choose alternate dates to complete their projects.

Those interested in participating can also help with the following projects:

- The Parks & Recreation Commission will be hosting the Tails n Trails Dog Park Clean Up on April 27 from 10 a.m. to Noon. Those who are interested in participating are encouraged to bring gardening gloves, dog waste shovels or scoops, and plastic bags for waste.
- The Milton Lions Club will be installing landscaping on April 27 around the Goodrich Square sign on the corner of High Street and Janesville Street. Additional details can be found on their Facebook page.

Additional projects may be added to the list above. Check the website or Facebook page for updates.

Dog & Cat Licenses Due April 1st



Dog and cat licenses for 2019 are available at City Hall, 710 S. Janesville Street.

All dogs and cats in the City of Milton over 5 months of age must be licensed by April 1 of each year.

A \$10 late fee per animal will be assessed after April 1st. The licensing period runs January – December.

Fees:

- Spayed / Neutered: \$8
- Non-Spayed / Non-Neutered: \$15

Additional Dog & Cat Information

Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pet(s). This applies to all City properties and neighbors' yards.

The City does not pick up stray dogs or cats. If an animal is found, please call the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin at (608) 752-5622.

Submit a Nomination for a Community Award



The City is seeking nominations for Community Awards to recognize any citizen, city employee, non-profit organization, or business that has shown an exemplary commitment to the community by way of time, resources, or extraordinary commitment to the betterment of Milton. Please submit nominations by May 3 through the City's website (www.milton-wi.gov/CommunityAwardNomination).

The awards will be presented at the annual **Community Recognition Picnic on May 23** at the Milton Community House, 20 Parkview Drive. The City of Milton will provide BBQ pork sandwiches, BBQ Boneless wings, soda, water, plates, and cutlery. Community members are encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert to pass.

The picnic will start at 5:30 p.m. and the program will begin at 6:00 p.m. Please RSVP to City Hall by May 17 by calling (608) 868-6900 ext. 5 or online at www.milton-wi.gov/PicnicRSVP.



Important Dates to Remember

Dog & Cat Licenses Due:

- April 1
- \$10 late fee assessed per animal after April 1

Election:

- April 2

MPL Events

The Milton Public Library hosts hundreds of programs every year. In 2018 alone, there were 570 programs offered with 12,500 participants.

Page 2 highlights a few of the programs at the library over the next few weeks, but the library website and Facebook page have a full list.

Assessment Notices

Assessor Paul Musser will be sending property assessment notices during the week of April 8. Assessment notices will be sent only to property owners that have assessment changes in 2019. Open Book will begin April 15, and Assessor Musser will be available at City Hall on April 25 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for Open Book appointments. Property Owners may discuss over the phone or schedule an appointment to discuss their assessment (even if it didn't change from 2018) at any time during the Open Book period. The best method of contact is to email him at musser.apprz@frontier.com

Department Phone Numbers

- City Hall - 868-6900
- Fire Dept.: 868-2842
- Library - 868-7462
- Police Dept. - 868-6910
- Public Works - 868-6914



Spring Election – April 2, 2019



The Spring Election is on April 2. All City of Milton residents vote in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 710 S. Janesville Street. The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The deadline for voter registration by mail or online is March 13. After this date, voters may only register in person at City Hall. Residents can still register to vote on the day of the election.

In-person absentee voting will begin March 12 at City Hall.

Last day for voter registration prior to the election, in-person absentee voting, and military and indefinitely confined voters to request an absentee ballot by mail is March 29 at 5 p.m. No voter registration or in-person absentee voting is allowed on April 1.

Check out your voter information
 MyVote
 2018 Fall Election is November 5
 2019 Fall Primary Election is August 14
 Visit
 Go to MyVote to register to vote, view a sample ballot, and request an absentee ballot.
www.myvote.wi.gov

Council Approves Residential Exterior Improvement Program



The Common Council approved the creation of the Residential Exterior Improvement Program at their meeting on February 19. The program will provide matching grants up to \$5,000 to qualified residential property owners for improvements to their homes that qualify as an eligible project.

The purpose of the program is to encourage the upkeep and appearance of residential homes, as well as mitigate the presence of blighted properties, within the residential districts of the community.

The funds from this program are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The first review of applications will begin on **April 1** by the Community Development Authority (CDA) at their meeting in April, and Common Council will

then make the final determination at their next meeting. Applications will continue to be accepted and follow this same process.

In order to qualify, the property owner must have lived in the property for at least five years, the home must be at least 25 years old and located within the designated area (refer to program information for definition), and the assessed value of the home can't be more than 125% of the average assessed value in the City of Milton.

The program information states Council may authorize the use of up to \$25,000 from Tax Incremental District (TID) funds on an annual basis for the program.

If there are any questions about the program, please contact City Administrator Al Hulick at (608) 868-6900 ext. 6.

Milton Public Library – Upcoming Events

Let Your Girls be Funny (and Feisty) Monday, April 1, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.



Join New York Time's best-selling author Jen Mann for a funny and serious presentation about how teaching, allowing, and encouraging our daughters to be funny will result in strong, smart, confident young women. For parents and teens. Jen will be signing books and will have some available for purchase. Call the library to register.

VolunTEENs Workshop

Friday, April 19, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Help the library create STEAM challenge cards based off of children's picture books to use during

the Summer Learning Program and in The SPARK. For ages 12 to 18. Call the library to register.

Sip & Listen: Adult Storytime Thursday, April 25, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Listen to local talent read funny narratives while enjoying the relaxed atmosphere of Timber Hill Winery. Beverages and appetizers available for purchase. Adults 21 & older. Call the library to register by April 19.

Muffins with Mom

Thursday, May 9, 5 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.

For ages 8 and under. Bring your mom, grandma, or special lady in your life for some reading, snacks, and fun. Call the library to register.

Annual Cemetery

Cleanup

Starting April 16, Public Works staff will remove old flowers, wreaths, etc. from the cemetery as part of the annual cleanup. The cleanup will be done by April 20. New items should not be placed at the cemetery until April 21. If there are any questions about the cleanup, please contact the Department of Public Works.

City Meeting Schedule

- April 1, 6:30 p.m. – Library Board
- April 3, 4 p.m. – Plan Commission
- April 3, 6 p.m. – Common Council
- April 10, 5:30 p.m. – Historic Preservation Commission
- April 15, 2:30 p.m. – Community Development Authority
- April 15, 6 p.m. – Parks & Recreation Commission
- April 16, 6 p.m. – Common Council
- April 17, 7 p.m. – Joint Fire Commission
- May 1, 5:30 p.m. – Historic Preservation Commission
- May 6, 6:30 p.m. – Library Board
- May 7, 4 p.m. – Plan Commission
- May 7, 6 p.m. – Common Council
- May 8, 6 p.m. – Police Commission

Dates and times for meetings may change. All agendas and minutes are posted on the City of Milton website (www.milton-wi.gov).