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## JUNK & BLIGHT ISSUES IN THE CITY

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## **OFFICE HOURS**

MON thru THURS 8:30-4:30 CLOSED ON FRIDAYS. There are openings on the Planning Commission, if interested please call the City office. Have you thought about being an Election Judge? If interested please call City office. ime of the year again. After the snow melts things are uncovered that we forgot about. Inspections are being done & letters will be going out very soon. If needed, the city will tow, hire a crew to clean up or do whatever is necessary to clean up our city. Any clean up that needs to be done by the city, or hired out, will be your financial responsibility and if you choose to not pay the bill we will assess the amount onto your taxes in November. Letøs be proud of our cityô your home is your responsibility.

**Use Spring Clean Up Day on May 21 to dispose of most of your junk items.** Please call the City Hall if you have any questions 353-2488.



#### MEMORIAL DAY

The City Hall will be closed Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day. Have a great Holiday.

### <u>FLAGS</u>

Please remember to treat your flags with respect. Do not let them touch the ground, and have them lit if they are outside during the night. And please replace them when they are worn out. You can drop off worn flags at the city hall for the VFW. They will include them in a retirement ceremony and properly dispose of

them.



NO SPRING CITY WIDE GARAGE SALES óif interested for fall please call City Hall to get on list.

City of New Germany is on face book, check us out City websiteô www.cityofnewgermany.com

#### Where Does Your Water Go?

Did you know the rainwater (or snowmelt) that falls on your property ends up in the Crow River? It is part of how watersheds work. Watersheds are areas of land that drain to a common body of water. In and around New Germany, the rain or snowmelt that doesnot soak into the ground washes off the surface and travels through a ditch system to the Crow River.

This water is called storm water runoff, because it runs off the surface of our driveways, roofs, sidewalks, compacted soil, and even lawns if there is too much of it. The runoff picks up pollutants along the way and delivers them to the Crow River. So it wery important to keep pollutants off your yard to prevent them from being washed into the river. Here are some things you can do.

Phosphorus is a nutrient that causes algae blooms in lakes and creeks. It binds very

strongly to soil, so prevent erosion and keep soil from washing into the street. Remove leaves from the street. Rake leaves, seeds, and grass clippings out of the street and gutter. Compost on site or bag and take to cityøs compost drop off.

Fertilize your lawn, not the creek. Most lawns are naturally high in phosphorus and will

remain healthy without adding more, so choose a zero-phosphorus fertilizer.

Sweep spilled fertilizer off paved surfaces. And remember, compost and manure

(pet waste) contain phosphorus too.

Keep the pavement clean. Sweep up grass clippings and spills from driveways, side-

walks and streets.

Be a responsible pet owner and scoop the poop. Pet waste contains phosphorus and

harmful bacteria.

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