

New Germany Minnesota

# City of New Germany

FEBRUARY 2016

## RESIDENTS

The 2016 Budget is posted outside City Hall in the glass case or you may come into City Hall and request .



How You Can Appeal Your Market Value and Property Class , you may also find this information on [co.carver.mn.us](http://co.carver.mn.us) . April 25<sup>th</sup> 29 8 am<sup>th</sup> 4:30 PM is Board of Appeal & Equalization schedule for 2016, Monday June 20, 2016 at 5 PM County Board of Appeal & Equalization.

If you disagree with your estimated market value or classification, you may appeal in one of the following ways:

### ***Four-Step Appeal***

#### ***Step One: Contact Carver County Property Assessment Office***

If you disagree with your estimated market value or classification, please contact the Carver County Property Assessment Office at (952) 361-1960.

#### ***Step Two: Open Book or Board of Appeal & Equalization***

Your first official opportunity to appeal your property valuation or class is at the City or Town Board of Review. It is suggested that you call the Assessor's office at (952) 361-1960, and discuss your concerns and ask any questions you may have. You may ask for an appointment for a physical review of your property. You may make your appeal in person, through a designated representative, or by sending a letter. If your appeal is unsuccessful, proceed to step two. *NOTE: If you do not first appeal to the local Board of Review, your appeal cannot be heard by the County Board of Equalization.*

#### ***Step Three: County Board of Equalization***

Appeals to the County Board of Equalization can be made in person, through a designated representative or by sending a letter. To schedule an appointment for your appeal, call the

Taxpayer Services Department at (952) 361-1910. If you are dissatisfied with the results of your appeal to the County Board of Equalization, you may continue your appeal to step three, the Minnesota Tax Court.

#### ***Step Four: Tax Court***

There are two divisions of the Minnesota Tax Court: The Small Claims and Regular Division.

*The Small Claims Division* will hear appeals involving homestead property providing there is only one dwelling unit per parcel per petition, or any property with an estimated market value of less than \$300,000. The Small Claims Division is quite informal with a more relaxed atmosphere than the Regular Division. The proceedings are not recorded and the decisions do not set legal precedent. All decisions of the Small Claims Division are final and cannot be appealed to another court. The cost of filing may be obtained by calling the Carver County Court Administrator's at (952) 361-1420.

*The Regular Division* will hear all appeals. The Regular Division is more formal than the Small Claims Division. Taxpayers are often represented by an attorney. Ordinary rules of court and evidence apply and the proceedings are recorded. Decisions of the Regular Division can be appealed to a higher court. The cost of filing an appeal may be obtained by calling the Carver County Court Administrator's at (952) 361-1420.

[www.co.carver.mn.us](http://www.co.carver.mn.us)



### **Lester Prairie/New Germany**

Registration for 2016 summer t-ball, youth softball and youth baseball will be February 18th and February 22nd from 4:00pm to 7:00pm in the Lester Prairie school lobby. Registration deadline is March 21st.

Contact: Jeff Engen at 320-395-9839 for more information. On-line form available at [www.lpbasesball-softball.org](http://www.lpbasesball-softball.org)

## **City Staff**

**Sheriff**  
**962-361-1212**

**Mayor**  
Steve VanLith  
952-353-2571/2257

**Council Members**  
Shirley Jaeger  
952-353-2208

Cathy Ruschmeier  
612-240-6698

Nick Hartwig  
952-353-1503

Ty Turnquist  
952-353-2456

**City Clerk**  
Twyla Menth

**Treasurer**  
Ronald Stahlke

**Public Works**  
Steve VanLith

**Water/Sewer  
People Service**

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For all sewer back up issues after hours, call  
612-636-2434  
320-223-2034  
612-644-0139.

You can help prevent back-ups by NOT disposing of diapers or paper towels or cooking grease in the sanitary sewer system.

**NEW GERMANY  
MINNESOTA**

**Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday  
8:30 an to 4:30 pm  
Closed on Fridays

300 Broadway Street East  
PO Box 177  
New Germany, MN 55367-

952-353-2488 Office  
952-353-8021 Fax  
ngcityhall@gmail.com  
Building Inspections  
763-479-1720  
Hall Rental Info  
952-353-1781



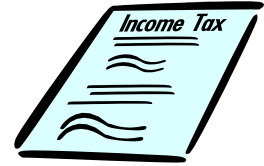
Easter Egg Hunt  
will be March  
19 info to come.  
Watch on face book  
for details.

The Commercial  
Club will meet on  
March 28, 7 PM.  
EVERBODY is wel-  
come to join the  
Commercial Club  
and plan for chil-  
dren. Meetings are  
in the hall, 4th Mon-  
day of the month.

\*\*\*\*\*Notes\*\*\*\*\*  
Planning Commission is  
seeking members, if inter-  
ested please call City Hall.

City Website will soon be  
up and running,  
You can also check on  
City of New Germany  
face book page to get up-  
dates and what is happen-  
ing.

**Tax Assistance**



Free help is available for low to moder-  
ate income, disabilities, limited English  
proficiency, and older tax payers. Bring photo identification,  
this year's tax package, wage and earnings statements and rele-  
vant information.

**TAX HELP 2016- at five locations.** We have volunteers to help with taxes  
for low to moderate income, older taxpayers, and those with limited English  
proficiency. Do not contact sites; no appointments- first come, first served; e-  
filing at all locations. Tuesdays from 9 am to 1 pm at the Chanhassen Li-  
brary from Feb. 16 to April 12. Mondays from 9 am to 12:30 pm at the  
Chaska Moravian Church 115 4th St. East from Feb. 15 to April 11.  
[www.carverlib.org](http://www.carverlib.org)

**WANTED FIRE FIGHTERS**

Have you ever thought of becoming a volunteer fire fighter? New Germany Fire  
Department is always accepting applicants for volunteer fire fighters, if inter-  
ested or have questions please contact Fire Chief Dan Ruschmeier 612-209-  
5641. New Germany Fire Fighters are dedicated individuals, remember to thank  
them for their dedication.



**MARCH 2016**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>Caucus</i>	2 <i>Council</i>	3	4	5
6	7 <i>FD Meeting</i>	8	9	10 <i>Recyl cart</i>	11	12
13	14	15 <i>Council</i>	16	17	18	19 <i>Easter Egg Hunt</i>
20	21	22	23	24 <i>Recyl cart</i>	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		