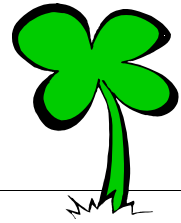


New Germany Minnesota



City of New Germany

March 2019



Easter Egg Hunt

April 13, 2019 at the New Germany Hall. Starting at 9:30 AM will be age groups 0-3, 9:45 AM will be ages 4-6, 10 AM will be 7 years and older. Prizes will be given to the child finding the golden egg in each age group. Donuts, juice and coffee will be provided. Bring your camera: the Easter Bunny will be present, everyone is welcome. Free will donation. Sponsored by the Commercial Club.



COMMUNITY DANCE

THE FIREFIGHTERS INVITE YOU TO
A COMMUNITY DANCE
FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2019
AT THE
NEW GERMAN CITY HALL
8:30PM—12:30AM
MUSIC BY UP SOUTH



Winter Salting

We are finding salt everywhere. Studies are finding it in our lakes and rivers, in our stormwater ponds, and in groundwater aquifers. Fifty lakes in the Twin Cities Metro Area are already polluted with too much salt, and 30% of shallow groundwater aquifers tested were above recommended levels for salt.

The salt pollution is mainly from winter road and sidewalk de-icing treatments, and the effects are long term. There is no easy or feasible way to remove salt from these waters. The salt is toxic to wildlife. It damages and creates expensive repairs for roads, bridges, and cars. It prevents water in lakes and ponds from mixing because the saltier water is heavier than freshwater. The lack of mixing, in turn, means algae blooms are more likely to occur. Finally, because salt moves, the salt in those shallow groundwater aquifers could seep down into the deeper aquifers where we get our drinking water.

Salt is often over-used based on misinformation. We are accustomed to using salt as a means of melting ice in winter. While we do need some salt to keep roads and pathways clear, we end up with a lot of salt not doing any work, and instead washing off into lakes and rivers.

Since salt cannot be removed from our waters, the best way to protect lakes and rivers and ourselves is to use it more effectively, so we are using less. I hope to clear up some of the myths surrounding salt use, and at the same time keep you from slipping and keep our waters fresh.

Myth: Salt works in all temperatures and conditions. Rock salt doesn't work at temperatures below 15°F. Even at 15°F, it takes an hour for salt to melt ice. Rock salt shouldn't be used when temps are below 15°F because it will get blown or tracked away before it melts anything. Use sand for traction. Don't use salt for traction.

Myth: If you see rock salt, it's safe. Rock salt must be dissolved to work. Many users now get salt wet before spreading to give it a head start. It should take about 20 minutes for salt to melt ice at 20°F. At 30°F, it should only take 5 minutes. So, if you see salt on the sidewalk that doesn't mean the sidewalk is ice free. It means the salt isn't melting. Either the temps are too cold or there is no ice to melt (or it was very recently applied).

Myth: No salt means the area hasn't been treated. Many road and sidewalk maintenance staff are switching to brines. You can't always see brines. Brines are a salt-water mix that is poured on the pavement before the storm. Sometimes it looks like stripes, and other times it looks like white pavement. Brines prevent snow and ice from bonding to the pavement. After the storm, the pavement is easier to shovel off, and brines use much less salt than rock salt.

Myth: Sand and salt together get the best of both. Just pick one. If applied together, sand and salt work against each other. Use sand for traction until temperatures allow for shoveling, or chipping, or for rock salt to work. If you pre-wet the sand, it stays in place better.

Myth: Salt is the best method we have for getting rid of ice. The best method is not allowing ice to form in the first place. Shovel first before applying anything. Getting the snow off the pavement prevents it from getting compacted or melting and freezing into an icy mess.

Myth: Winter travel can be just like summer travel. No. Put on your snow boots, stick a shovel and other winter gear in your car, and don't make unnecessary trips if you don't have to. If possible, wait on travel till after the winter storm.

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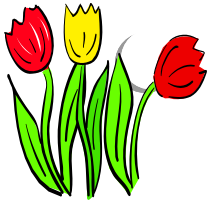
Meeting Schedules:

Council - 7:00 pm
1st Tuesday &
3rd Tuesday

Commercial Club
7:00 pm 4th Mon

Fire Department
7:00 pm 1st Mon

Planning Commission
6:30 pm 4th Tuesday,
as needed.



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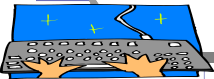
Building Inspections - 763-479-1720
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Clerk Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday
8:30 am-4:30 pm
CLOSED—FRIDAYS

City Website

www.cityofnewgermany.com
You can find minutes & calendar on website, we are also on Facebook.



SPRING CLEAN UP DAY SATURDAY, MAY 18

At the City Shed from **7am to 11:00**

You must be a resident within the City Limits of New Germany or a resident of Camden Township.

Start early—at 7AM and Close early—at 11:00

NO HAZARDOUS WASTE, FLUORESCENT BULBS, TRACTOR TIRES OR AUTO BATTERIES WILL BE ACCEPTED—you must take these directly to NYA, which is the same day—all our items must be delivered to NYA by noon so **we close at 11:00!**

Fees apply to all appliances, electronics, mattresses, couches, hide-a-beds and tires (rims are ok to leave on).

Appliances	\$11.00 ea.	Tires-Car/truck	\$ 2.00 ea.
Electronics	\$10.00 ea.	Large TV	\$20.00 ea.
Mattresses	\$20.00 ea.	Carpet Rolls	\$10.00 ea.
Box Springs	\$20.00 ea.	Recliners/Chairs	\$15.00 ea.
Hide-a-beds	\$35.00 ea.	Small Furniture	\$10.00 ea.
Couches	\$25.00 ea.	Air Conditioners	\$21.00 ea.

All prices subject to change

*******THERE WILL BE NO FALL CLEAN UP DATE*******

Reminder to pick up your pet waste before the big snow melt to prevent bacteria spreading.

If you have any ideas for National Night Out for 2018, please contact City Office by phone, or e mail. I would love to hear any input you may have!

Firearms Safety Training @ Mayer Community Center

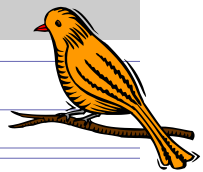
Registration: April 15 , 6 :00 pm
Classes: 6-8 PM on April 22,25,29, May 2, 6 & 9. Field trip is to be determined.

Questions call Stan Heldt 952-657-2169

Commercial Club

Commercial Club meets approximately 6 times a year; when they do meet it is on the fourth Monday at 7 PM. The Commercial Club is responsible for the planning of children events in the City, among other events. If you would like to join or would like more information please call Shirley Jaeger 952-353-2208.

April 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 FD	2 Council mtg	3	4 Recyl Cart	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Easter Egg
14	15	16 Council mtg	17 Oldies but	18 Recyl cart	19	20
21	22 Comm Club	23 PC if needed	24	25	26 FD Dance	27
28	29	30				
May 18 Spring clean up			May 18 Spring clean up			May 18 Spring clean up