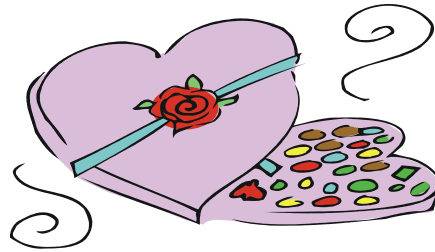


New Germany Monthly News



City of New Germany

JANUARY 2023

WATER/SEWER BILL INFORMATION

Water and sewer rates will slightly increase for 2023, this will take place on the January billing cycle. Monthly base rate for Water will be \$32.80, all water usage will be billed at \$0.2255 per 10 gallons of water. The monthly meter fee is \$1.84. The monthly base rate for Sewer is \$29.20, sewer usage rate for all usage is \$0.2258 per 10 gallons. Garbage rates will increase in October 2023 to the following rates; 35 gallon SR rate \$9.30, 35 gallon \$10.62, 64 gallon \$13.44, 96 gallon \$15.63, recycling \$5.45.

Options for paying your Utility Bill: Security Bank New Germany, Regular Mail, Drop box on the front of City Hall, or online at www.ub-pay.com, you will need the municipal code on your Utility bill. When sending your payment in please make sure and **tear off the bottom portion of the post card, the upper portion is your copy**. You may need to write your manual reading on the stub of the post card if you still have a manual read meter when you-drop off your payment.

Water Bills are due the 15th of each month. If you are still one of the 7 manual reads, you are required to send in your water reading. If you do not send in a water meter reading you will be **charged a penalty fee of \$10.00. This is only if your meter is a manual read meter**. Any bill that is delinquent more than 60 days can legally be shut off. If you can't pay your bill in full—make a partial payment. If you can't pay anything at least send in or CALL in a meter reading—You will at least save yourself the \$10 penalty. Leave a message after hours or write it on a piece of paper with your address and drop in the drop box. There is a shut-off fee of \$25 and a reconnect fee of \$25. Auto reads do not need to write any meter readings.

CITY NEWS

- ◆ City Election Results—Mayor Steve Van Lith (Mayor is a 2 year term), Council Members Kevin Grove and Thomas Mielke will serve 2023-2026. Welcome back!
- ◆ SNOW PARKING RULES ARE IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 1—MARCH 31, NO PARKING ON CITY STREET BETWEEN 2 AM—7 AM. NO PARKING ON CITY STREETS FOLLOWING A SNOWFALL OF 1" OR MORE. THE SHERIFF DEPT WILL ISSUE TICKETS!
- ◆ KEEP GARBAGE CANS IN YOUR DRIVEWAY NOT ON THE STREET DURING WINTER PLOWING SEASON.
- ◆ IT IS UNLAWFUL UNDER MN STATE STATUE 160.27 SUBD. 5 TO PLOW SNOW FROM DRIVEWAYS ONTO OR ACROSS COUNTY/CITY ROADS.
- ◆ SIDEWALKS—PER CITY CODE PROPERTY OWNERS WHO HAVE SIDEWALKS ADJACENT TO THEIR PROPERTY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVING SNOW/ICE FROM THE SIDEWALK WITH IN 24 HOURS.
- ◆ Rent the City Hall for your special event! Call City of New Germany for more information or reservations.
- ◆ Fire Department is planning for their Annual Ball Tournament—dates will be August 4-6, 2023.
- ◆ Fire Department's new tanker truck is expected in around July of 2023!
- ◆ City of New Germany is still patiently waiting on the 2022 submitted bonding bill. This bonding bill is for the Wastewater upgrades of 8 million, hopefully the State of MN can get something done with the funds this session.
- ◆ If you would like something advertised on the electronic sign; call Shirley Jaeger.
- ◆ February 3, Clerk 9 year work anniversary.
- ◆ Eater Bunny— April 1, Easter Egg hunt at the hall, more information to come. Feel free to contact a Commercial Club member if you want to help plan and/or work any city event. Volunteers welcome!
- ◆ Council meeting scheduled for February 7 is cancelled, next Council meeting is February 21, 2023.
- ◆ Exterior storage—furniture, appliances, car toppers, car parts, building material, brush, junk, debris and miscellaneous items not meant for outdoor storage and daily use cannot be stored outside or in your yard. Check Ordinances on the city website.
- ◆ House's must be kept in sound condition and free from deterioration. All house numbers must be visible from the street. If emergency personnel cannot find your home in a timely manner, it could be a difference of life and death.
- ◆ Spring reminder—if you are thinking of a fence, it requires a zoning permit. Any shed over 200 square feet requires a building permit., sheds 200 sq feet or less requires a zoning permit. Please see City Ordinance on the City Website page for additional information.
- ◆ 2023 Recycle calendars are available. They are located with the newsletters in the clear weather proof box located on the front of city hall. You can always pick one up at Security Bank, or during city office hours. **Waste Management Holidays are New Year, Memorial, Independence, Labor, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. These Holiday's will delay service by one day.**

CITY STAFF MEMBERS

Mayor

Steve Van Lith
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Council Members

Shirley Jaeger
952-353-2208

Ty Turnquist
952-353-2456

Thomas Mielke
952-353-2526

Kevin Grove
Kevin.newgermany@gmail.com

City Clerk-Treasurer

Twyla Menth

Office Assistant

Jane Diers

Water/Sewer

People Service

Lee—612-636-2434

Jerry—612-644-0139

Public Works

Steve Van Lith

Meeting Schedules

Council—7:00 pm

1st & 3rd Tuesday

Commercial Club- 7:00 pm,

4th Monday (as needed).

Planning Commission -

6:00 PM, 4th Tuesday

(as needed).

Fire Department— 7:00 pm

1st Monday



**HAPPY
VALENTINES
DAY**

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	30 Office open 1- 4:30	31 Office open 1- 4:30	1 Office closed	2 Office open 1- 4:30	3 closed	4
5	6 FD Mtg Office closed	7 Office closed	8	9 Recycle Cart	10 closed	11
12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17 closed	18
19	20 Presidents Day-closed	21 Council Mtg	22	23 Recycle Cart	24 closed	25
26	27	28			Office is always closed on Friday's	

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New Germany, MN 55367-0177
Office—952-353-2488
Email—ngcityhall@gmail.com
Hall Rental Info—952-353- 2488
Building Inspections—763-479-1720

Office of the Clerk

CLERK OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Closed Fridays



****ATTENTION****

The City Office will be closed on Monday January 16 in observance Martin Luther King Day. Please check the door for office hours January 30—February 7,2023. Closed on February 20, 2023 in observance of President Day. Office hours are always posted on the door if out of the office for meetings, closed or limited office hours.

*****City Website*****

www.cityofnewgermany.com you can find updates on Facebook, and City of New Germany.



Water Softener Maintenance

The City of New Germany's water hardness is 23 grains per gallon.

Here is a few reasons to check your water softness hardness setting;

- Water feels to soft
- Your dishes become very spotty and show residue
- You use an excessive amount of salt
- You have additional contaminants in your water such as iron
- Your water may taste different
- Regular maintenance can save costly repairs & high water bills. It is good to do an annual check on water softener & call a professional for maintenance.

EXTRA EXTRA

Remember: The recycle center and brush site by Mayer is only open Saturday mornings until April.

If you are having a sewer back-up or water/sewer problems after hours: call Lee Orloff at 612-636-2434, or Jerry Stranlund 612-644-0139 or call the city office during office hours.

The city contracts for sanitation service. If you have a garbage request (i.e. need a new can) please call the city office.

Building Permits need to be obtained before the work begins. Call the City to determine if a permit is needed for the job.

NEWSLETTERS

Our city newsletter is available to anybody that would like a copy. They are located in the clear weather box on the outside of the City Hall. You may stop and pick up a newsletter anytime. They are also located on the city website www.cityofnewgermany.com under newsletters.

HYDRANTS

If you have a hydrant near you please clear the snow away.



Mailboxes

It is the resident's responsibility to clear the snow away to receive mail.



2023 NO ICE SKATING RINK



Southern Valley
Alliance
DOMESTIC ABUSE
WOMEN'S SUPPORT
GROUP

Mondays, 7:00pm - 8:30pm
via Zoom

Thursdays, 7:00pm - 8:30pm
via Zoom

Contact clientadvocate@svamn.org for a meeting invitation

THIS IS AN OPEN GROUP.
NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY.
Due to Covid19, childcare cannot be provided.

Call 952-873-4214 with questions