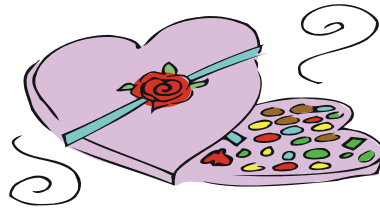


# New Germany Monthly News



City of New Germany

**JANUARY 2025**

## WATER/SEWER BILL INFORMATION

Utility software is going through an update with a new and improved utility software! The online payment option at this time is a temporary site, as the new site is still under maintenance. The new online payment system will have the options of electronic check, automatic payments, online payment, and phone pay. There will be many improved options to come. Use this link to pay your bill online at this time. this is a temporary link; <http://www.go2gov.net/go/newgermany>

Water and sewer rates will slightly increase for 2025, this will take place on the January billing cycle. Monthly base rate for Water will be \$34.46, all water usage will be billed at \$0.02369 per gallon of water. The monthly meter fee is \$1.94. The monthly base rate for Sewer is \$32.19, sewer usage rate for all usage is \$0.02491 per gallon. Garbage rates increased in October 2024 to the following rates; 35 gallon SR rate \$9.58, 35 gallon \$10.94, 64 gallon \$13.85, 96 gallon \$16.10, recycling \$5.79.

Options for paying your Utility Bill: Security Bank New Germany, Regular Mail, Drop box on the front of City Hall.

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. 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

- ◆ ***“New Germany Lions” is coming to town!! Mayer Lions, has renamed the group Mayer—New Germany Lions! The Mayer New Germany Lions will be hosting a family lunch on March 2, 2025 from 10 AM—1 PM, at the New Germany City Hall. Activities for all ages, and prize drawings! Come join the fun, bring the kids!! If you are interested in joining, please contact Paulette Pelletier by email or phone. Email is [ppelletier1992@gmail.com](mailto:ppelletier1992@gmail.com), phone is 612-202-1393. Make sure and come out for lunch, prizes, activities and bring the kids!***
- ◆ SNOW PARKING RULES ARE IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 1—MARCH 31, NO PARKING ON CITY STREETS 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 ON-TO 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 1-3, 2025.
- ◆ City of New Germany is still patiently waiting on the submitted bonding bill. This bonding bill is for the Wastewater upgrades of 10 million. The City did receive a federal grant from Emmer’s office for 2.2 million, it certainly helps, still need the bonding bill.
- ◆ If you would like something advertised on the electronic sign; call Shirley Jaeger 952-353-2208.
- ◆ February 3, Clerk’s 11—year work anniversary.
- ◆ Eater Bunny on the Fire Truck — April 12, Easter Bunny on the fire truck giving out treat bags and a photo at the end of the route. Feel free to contact a Commercial Club member if you want to help plan and/or work any city event. Volunteers welcome!
- ◆ 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. Sheds over 200 square feet or less requires a zoning permit. Please see City Ordinance on the City Website page for additional information.
- ◆ St Mark’s Fellowship Center has open gym times for parents with pre-school kids to play. Call St Mark’s for additional information; 952-353-2464.
- ◆ City of New Germany Hall is open during business hours if you would like to walk inside in the up-stairs of the gym, kids can come too if supervised.

## **CITY STAFF MEMBERS**

**Mayor**  
Shirley Jaeger  
952-353-2208  
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Lorn Herrmann  
952-240-2315

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Twyla Menth  
**Office Assistant**  
Leann Goede  
**Water/Sewer**  
People Service  
Lee—612-636-2434  
Jerry—612-644-0139  
**Public Works**  
Chris Barlau

Meeting Schedules  
**Council**—7:00 pm  
1st & 3rd Tuesday

**Commercial Club**- 7:00 pm,  
4th Monday (as needed).

**Planning Commission** -  
(as needed).

**Fire Department**— 7:00  
pm 1st Monday.  
Fire Department is in need  
of Fire Fighters! Come join a  
great organization!



**HAPPY  
VALENTINES  
DAY**

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

February 2025



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300 Broadway Street East  
P.O. Box 177  
New Germany, MN 55367-0177  
Office—952-353-2488  
Email—ngcityhall@gmail.com  
Hall Rental Info—952-353- 2488  
Building Inspections—763-479-1720

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					closed	1
2	3 FD Mtg Office	4 Council Mtg	5	6 Recycle Cart	7 closed	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 closed Valentine's Day	15 H2O bill due
16	17 Presidents Day—closed	18 Council Mtg	19	20 Recycle Cart	21 closed	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Office is always closed on Friday's	

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 February 17 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](http://www.cityofnewgermany.com)  
you can find updates on Facebook, and City of New Germany.



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

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

Contact [allentadvocates@svavmn.org](mailto:allentadvocates@svavmn.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

**EXTRA EXTRA**

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

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

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The city contracts for sanitation service.

If you have a garbage request (i.e. need a new can) please call the city office.

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

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**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](http://www.cityofnewgermany.com) under newsletters.

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**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.



**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.



**2025 NO ICE SKATING RINK**