



Village Of Spring Valley

Fall 2022

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NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION is Tuesday November 8, 2022. Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. If you are in line at 8:00 p.m. you will be allowed to vote. If you're not sure about being registered, please go to myvote.wi.gov to check your status or request an absentee ballot. You can also call the village office and either Luann or Ruth can check your status. Early voting will begin on November 1st but you must have an appointment. Please call Luann at 778-5635 to set that up.

****NOTICE**** If you already have or will be requesting an absentee ballot you must either mail it back to the clerk's office or return it in person. The drop box outside the main doors is no longer an option. Ballots found in the outside deposit box will NOT be counted. If you have any other questions about the upcoming election, please call Luann at the village office.

The Handy Andy fence and equipment that were destroyed in the storms have been ordered and will be installed as they arrive. Insurance covered costs for all losses.



WELCOME!! In August we had two new employees start in the Public Works Department. **Jeremy Webb** is our newest Public Works Assistant. Jeremy lives in Spring Valley and was a 1995 graduate of Spring Valley High School. **Jamie Reitz** worked for the Village of Elmwood for 30 years and comes with an extensive knowledge of PW and utilities. Jamie will be with us on a part-time basis filling in where needed. We're lucky to have them both; please welcome them aboard when you see them!

New Employees

Thank you, Spring Valley Education Foundation

for the donation to this winter's ice-skating rink! The rink was rejuvenated last year by a group of community residents who were willing to volunteer their time to get this site up and going again. With help from the school, village, and area residents we can all enjoy a wonderful winter activity again. So much appreciated by all!!

2022 PROPERTY TAXES: Tax bills will be mailed beginning of December. By statute the 2022 bills must be mailed by December 19th. In order to claim a deduction on your 2022 taxes, payment must be made to the village office or postmarked by December 31st, 2022. Remember, whether you're making 1/2 or full payment, your first tax payment is made to Village of Spring Valley.



IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING ON THE VILLAGE BOARD:

Nomination papers for the 2023 Spring Election are handed out December 1, 2022 and due back by January 3, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. along with 20+ signatures. The following Village Board Trustees are up for reelection on April 4th, 2023: Liz Erickson, Ruth Lukes, and Andy Vorlicek. Village President up for reelection is Marsha Brunkhorst. The **required nomination papers** can be picked up at the Village Office December 1, 2022. Please contact Luann in the Village Office if you are interested. 715-778-5635

WINTER REMINDERS



~It's almost time to dig out the snow shovel and tune up the snow blower, which means it's also time to review snow removal and parking policies~



Please do NOT shovel or blow snow into the street. This creates a hazardous condition for motorists. In addition village ordinances prohibit this action and doing so may result in a fine.

Pursuant to Section 38-150 of the Village Code of Ordinances, the owner, occupant or person in charge of any lot which fronts or adjoins a sidewalk shall keep the sidewalk clear of all snow and ice. If snow accumulates on a sidewalk due to natural means and/or by any other means, the sidewalk shall be cleared of all the accumulated snow and/or ice within 24 hours from the time the snow

ceases to accumulate on the sidewalk. Sidewalks are to be kept clear of snow and ice to a minimum of four feet in width. If ice has formed on a sidewalk in such a way that it cannot be removed, the owner, occupant or person in charge of the sidewalk shall keep the sidewalk sprinkled with sand and/or salt to permit safe travel by pedestrians.

If you fail to remove the snow and/or ice after you have been notified the village will do so at a minimum charge of \$100.00 per hour. Unpaid bills will be assessed to the property tax bill.

VILLAGE SNOW REMOVAL is scheduled at the discretion of the Director of Public Works. The Public Works Department will make every effort to clear the streets following a snow fall to help make them safe for motorists. The village is not responsible for anything damaged within the right-of-way. This includes, but not limited to, turf, mailboxes, flowers, gravel, basketball hoops and trees.



Winter Parking restrictions will go into effect **Tuesday, November 1, 2022**. There is no parking allowed on village streets between the hours of 2:00am-6:00am. Spring Valley Police Department will be issuing tickets to vehicles parked illegally during these hours, regardless of snowfall. Parking will be enforced every night between November 1st and March 31st, 2023. If you are experiencing mechanical difficulty or have overnight guests please contact the police department (715 778-5678) to avoid a ticket.

FALL CLEAN UP DAY will be Saturday October 8 from 8:00 a.m.—noon.



Dumpsters will be available as well as a scrap metal trailer. Any fall clean up you can do at your house now will be less you have to do in the spring! Prices will be the same as spring clean up; stop in the office for a list if needed. NO YARD WASTE, RECYCLES, OR HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE.

BRUSH PICK UP

Curb side brush pick-up will be on October 6th and 7th. This does NOT include lawn derris!



The Public Works Department will be flushing hydrants the week of October 3rd thru October 7th. Remember to **check your water before washing clothes to prevent staining.** Residents with water softeners should also check the cycle time of their softeners so the unit does not regenerate during this time period. If your water appears dark or cloudy let it run until clear.



There are two new ordinances in the Village you should be aware of. Section 6-13(e) Keeping of Chickens. Chickens will now be allowed on a **trial basis** in the Village with the proper permit. License year runs January 1 – December 31 and the cost is \$20.00. A Livestock Premises Registration is required for licensing. Full ordinance and permit application can be found on the web site beginning mid-October for the 2023 year.

Section 58-591(g)(1) Portable Storage Containers – Temporary Use (30 days) will now be allowed with specific guidelines. A permit will be required. Full ordinance will be online beginning mid-October.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct. 3-7	Fall Hydrant Flushing
Oct. 6 & 7	Fall brush pick up
Oct 8	Fall clean-up day
Oct. 20	3rd qtr. utility bills due
Nov 2	<u>Tentative</u> budget hearing
Nov. 6	2:00 am turn clocks back 1 hour
Nov.24	Closed for Thanksgiving
Dec. 1	Candidacy papers begin circulation
Dec. 19	Property Tax bill mailing deadline
Dec.23,26	Closed for Christmas
Jan 2, 2023	Closed for New Years
Jan 31, 2023	First half property taxes due

FOR YOUR

CONVENIENCE the Village Office now has 2 Notaries Public. Both Ruth and Luann are available to notarize your documents free of charge



Spring Valley Public Library

715-778-4590

www.springvalleylibrary.org

kschneider@svlibrary.org



Monday-Thursday: 9-6pm

Friday: 9-5pm

The Spring Valley Library would like to give a big **Thank You to the Spring Valley Education Foundation** for the generous donation of \$5,000. The money will go towards updating our library materials, remodeling of back room and library programming.

MOVIE DAYS: NO SCHOOL SPRING VALLEY

MON., OCT.10, 1:00: GHOSTBUSTERS

MON., NOV. 7, 1:00: LIGHTYEAR

HALLOWEEN PARTY/MOVIE NIGHT:

SAT., OCT. 29, 6:00: HOCUS POCUS
(COSTUME PARTY)

CHRISTMAS DIY MASON JARS:

SAT., NOV. 5, 10-NOON Each person will get 3 mason jars to decorate for the holiday season.

Please RSVP by email to kschneider@svlibrary.org or by calling 715 778-4590

All ages welcome to these upcoming events.

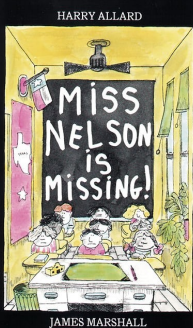
The SV Stagehands are in full swing:

MISS NELSON IS MISSING October 21st, 7:00 pm, and Oct. 22 & 23, 2:00 pm.

THE COMMUNITY CHOIR is back at practice with performances scheduled for Dec. 3, 7:00 pm and Dec. 4th, 2:00 pm.

A CHRISTMAS STORY: Performances scheduled for Dec. 8,9,10,15,16, & 17 at 7:00pm and 11 & 18 at 2:00 pm

Check out the SV Stagehands website for more information about ticket purchases and the Youth Choir & Adult Community Choir practice schedule . <https://www.svstagehands.org>



When filling a pool or seeding in a new lawn Public Works now has deduct meters for the sanitary sewer portion of your utility bill. There is a \$15.00 fee to rent one with a \$300 charge if the meter is damaged. Stop in the village office to fill out a request form.

Sewer usage to be deducted is at a rate of \$5.00 /1000 gals.



The library is looking for a part-time clerk. The Library Clerk provides a wide variety of basic public, technical and clerical services including information and reference services, reader's advisory, circulation services, and administrative support.

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

- Halloween is fast approaching. Parents- a reminder to walk with the younger children, watch as they cross the streets. Make sure face coverings do not limit their vision.
- Check candy before kids eat and toss any candy not in an original closed wrapper .
- On October 31st from 5-7 pm Emmaus Church, S200 Sabin Ave. is hosting Trunk-Or-Treat, where trick-or-treating is done from parked cars in the church parking lot."
- Please check the village website closer to Halloween for any updates



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

Daylight savings time is coming to an end.

Remember to set your clocks back one hour at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 6TH.

This is also a great time to change the batteries in

your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.



The Village will be closed Thursday November 24 for Thanksgiving. The Village will also be closed Friday and Monday December 23 and 26 for Christmas holidays.



2023 Dog and Cat Licensing

Per state law, all dogs over 5 months of age are to be vaccinated and licensed. Village ordinance requires this for cats as well. The fees are: neutered and spayed dogs and cats are \$20.00, intact are \$30.00. In order to avoid the late penalty fee of \$5.00 please make sure your pets are licensed by April 1st, 2023. Owners who fail to license their dogs and cats are subject to a \$169.50 fine.

Licensing forms will be included with your property tax bill. If you do not receive a tax bill, they can be found on the village website at www.springvalleywi.com or they can be obtained at the village office located at E121 S. Second St. When applying for a license, owners must provide a current rabies vaccination certificate. Landlords, please pass this information on to your tenants. Spring Valley vaccination clinic is held in January at S407 Newman Ave (Village Shop). Dates will be on the back of the licensing form, listed in the winter newsletter and on the Spring Valley website.



Building Inspector-All Croix Inspections-Todd Dolan 715-377-2152

Village Assessor-Bowmar Appraisal 715-835-1141

Garbage Pick up-GFL 715-792-5209 (same service, different name)

WE Energies 800-242-9137

Xcel Energy 800-895-4999

St. Croix Electric 800-924-3407

Village Office

Monday—Friday 8:00am-4:30pm
715 778-5635

Luann Emerson, Clerk/Treasurer
clerk@vi.springvalley.wi.gov

Ruth Esanbock, Office Assistant
svassist@vi.springvalley.wi.gov

Public Works Department

715 778-4238

Steven Kirby, Lead

Jeremy Webb, Public Works Assistant

Village Board Members

President:

Marsha Brunkhorst 778-4382

Trustees:

Matt Huepfel 778-4289

Brad Jorgenson 715-495-2645

Andy Vorliceck Andrew.vorliceck@svtel.net

Liz Erickson 778-4506

Ruth Lukes 778-5828

Rich O'Connell 715-559-4128

The Village Board meets the first Wednesday of each month at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Room at The Village Hall.

Spring Valley Police Department

Dulcie Lily, FT Officer
715-778-5678
officer2302@svpolice.org

Spring Valley Fire Department

Mike Fitzjarrell, Chief
715-778-4452

Spring Valley Ambulance

Tod Jorgenson, Director
715-778-4452