

THE VILLAGE NEWS

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Spring Hydrant Flushing is May 6th through the 10th.

Low pressure and discolored water may occur. If you experience these or other issues, please contact the Public Works Department at 715-556-4566.



Thank you to everyone who participated in the drug takeback event on April 27th. As a community we collected over 75 pounds of prescription drugs and other medications for proper disposal!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Terry Stamm

Board meetings are now held once per month on the 3rd Monday of each month. Next Village Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 21st at 6:00 p.m. If you have a specific item to bring to the Board please sign up under citizen's forum.

When performing your spring yard clean-up please check with the site attendants for proper disposal of brush, yard and other waste item placement at the Solid Waste Site. Also give unused or expired medications to the site attendants for proper disposal.

Although forecast is for rain; fire danger was very high last month. Please double check open burning alerts on the [DNR Wisburn Page](#) and review Village regulations preventing open burning. Also review ordinances covering small campfires.

Thrift sale sign-up forms are available at the Village Hall or Village website:

[Thrift Sale Sign Up](#)

Elk Mound Community Thrift Sale Friday, May 31 and Saturday, June 1



Sponsored by the Elk Mound Area Lions Club

Stop in at the Elk Mound Community Center for a free copy of the **Thrift Sale Maps** starting at 8:00 AM each day.

Advertise your sale details on the maps!

Pick up a form at the Elk Mound Village Hall or email: ElkMoundLions@gmail.com

Forms must be received by May 23, 2024 Cost is \$10 per Ad

Please consider supporting the Lions fundraising efforts:

- * Delicious **Bake Sale** items available daily from 8:00 AM until sold out
- * **Cheeseburgers, Hot Dogs, Chili Dogs** 10:30 AM-2 PM daily (or until sold out)
- * Various thrift sale items donated by Lions members

Thank you for your support!

All proceeds directly benefit local Elk Mound Area Lions initiatives.

BOARD MINUTES MARCH 18, 2024

The March 18, 2024 meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elk Mound was called to order by Village President Terry Stamm at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Karin Wolf, Clerk-Treasurer, verified that proper notice of the meeting had been posted.

Roll call showed Cynthia Abraham, Bob Bachman, Tim Benjamin, Pat Hahn, Pat Lien, Joyce Price, and Terry Stamm present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Abraham/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to approve the Village Board minutes of February 20, 2024. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S FORUM – (PUBLIC INPUT)

There was no one registered for Citizens Forum.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE

There was no public appearance.

APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND AND WATER/SEWER UTILITY VOUCHERS

Hahn/Bachman moved and seconded a motion to approve the combined checks 32742 - 32777 and direct deposits V3655 - V3673 for a total of \$154,207.20. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TID VOUCHERS

There were no TID vouchers.

PERMITS – BUILDING; WATER/SEWER APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE/TAP PERMITS

The following permits were issued: Balsam Ridge, LLC, E209 Menomonie St #4, for a new mobile home; BRR, LLC, 218 Independence Drive, for an occupancy permit; Tammy Dahlby, 112 Juniper Avenue, to replace electrical panel and service meter; and Tim Benjamin, N403 Holly Avenue, for a stairwell on the exterior of his shed.

Water/Sewer Report

The Water/Sewer Report was presented by Mark Levra, Director of Public Works. The report is on file in the Director of Public Works office.

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Police Chief Report

The Police Chief Report was presented by Police Chief Chad Weinberger. The report is on file in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's office.

Standing Committee Reports:

Public Works & Streets

Bob Bachman reported that the Public Works & Streets Committee did not meet.

Public Safety

Tim Benjamin reported that the Public Safety Committee did not meet.

Property & Finance

Cynthia Abraham reported that the Property & Finance Committee met, and the topic will be discussed later in the meeting.

Employee Relations

Pat Lien reported that the Employee Relations Committee did not meet.

Plan Commission

Terry Stamm reported that the Plan Commission did not meet.

Report from Fire Board Representative

There were seven calls for service this month. Two new members were added to the roster.

Fire Inspector Larry Zais will begin performing more inspections. The Fire Board is still working with Chief Fuester on an ordinance for billing for fires.

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Colfax EMS has placed an ambulance at the Elk Mound Fire Station. Stantec Consulting has requested records for the Elk Creek solar project area.

Reimbursement was received for the grant to purchase foam and the AED. Squad 2 was sold for \$17,277. Engine 5 broke a valve linkage that has been repaired. Chief Fuester is working with different vendors to complete other major repairs on Engine 5. Tender 15 and Engine 6 need frame repair due to corrosion.

One of the furnaces at the Fire Station needs replacement. The water fountain at the Fire Station needs repair or possible replacement.

Report from Elk Mound/Colfax Solid Waste & Recycling

The unit is asking residents who want to dispose of unused medications to give them to the site attendants for proper disposal. Unwanted eyeglasses should also be given to the attendants so they can be repurposed for people who could use them.

There are two separate locations for yard waste and brush at each site for disposal. Residents are asked to properly separate these items when brought to the sites.

Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report

The Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report from February was reviewed. This is available in the Village Clerk-Treasurer's Office.

Community Center/Library Report

Terry Stamm reported that the Community Center/Library Board did not meet, but is scheduled to meet on March 25 at 4:30 p.m.

Communications & Miscellaneous Business as Permitted by Law

Clerk/Treasurer Karin Wolf asked the Village Trustees if they would still like their personal phone numbers and e-mail addresses listed on the Village website. The response was yes.

Village President Terry Stamm mentioned that the Town of Elk Mound is applying for an Agricultural Road Improvement Grant to resurface 970th Street from

Highway 12 to University Street. Since the Town of Elk Mound and Village of Elk Mound share ownership of that stretch of 970th Street, the Village will need to draft a letter of support for the project for the grant application. Clerk/Treasurer Karin Wolf will draft the letter.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion/Action Village Park Rental Policy

This agenda item has been tabled to allow Director of Public Works Mark Levra and Clerk/Treasurer Karin Wolf time to contact other municipalities.

New Business:

Discussion/Action Review of the Village of Elk Mound Emergency Operations Plan

Abraham/Price moved and seconded a motion to approve a plan for the Village staff to draft an updated copy of the Village of Elk Mound Emergency Operations Plan and distribute copies to the Village Board at the April meeting for their review. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Operator License Application – Steven Hay, Synergy Cooperative

Hahn/Bachman moved and seconded a motion to approve the Operator License application for Steven Hay. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Lien/Hahn moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Motion carried.

Karin Wolf
Village of Elk Mound Clerk-Treasurer

As you are planning spring yard clean-up, please take a moment to review Village Ordinance Sec. 10-5-8: Inoperable Vehicles, Junk and Appliances on Private Property. The purpose and intent of this section is to eliminate the inappropriate and unnecessary keeping and storage of inoperable motor vehicles, motor vehicle accessories, junk and appliances on private property.

Link to: [Title 10 Chapter 5](#)

VILLAGE PARK RENTAL INFORMATION

The park located at S405 Holly Avenue (Highway H) offers men's and women's restroom facilities, a lighted pavilion with 15 picnic tables, soccer fields, a 9-hole disc golf course, volleyball nets, horse-shoe pits, a basketball court and playground equipment. The park pavilion is a perfect place for food preparation; offering kitchen utilities including stove, refrigerators and chest coolers, 4 grills and a large serving counter.

Check pavilion availability at www.elkmound.org and click on calendar. Booked dates will show up with Pavilion Reserved.

The Village park is available for rent for \$100.00 per day for Elk Mound Village Residents, and \$150.00 per day for Non-Residents. These fees go toward the cost of continuous park maintenance, along with cleanup and garbage removal for your specific event. Any proceeds from park rentals will go toward park improvements.

Keep in mind there may be other activity on the ball fields as they are rented separately. We have very active baseball & softball youth groups in the area.

The baseball and softball schedules are also available on our website: www.elkmound.org. Click on calendar to see various events. If the pavilion is already reserved it will be noted on the calendar.

Park pavilion and ball field reservations can be made by contacting the clerk's office at 715-879-5011.

Streetlight Outage

If you notice a street light that is not functioning properly, you can report it through the Xcel Energy website:

https://www.xcelenergy.com/outages_and_emergencies/report_outage or you can call the Public Works Department at 715-556-4566 with the following information:

1. Location of Street Light (Nearest Address)
2. Nearest Cross Street
3. Issue (Blinking Light, Light Not Operating, etc.)

BOARD MEETINGS

Next Board Meeting is Tuesday May 21st. Board Meetings are typically held the third Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Meetings are open to the public in person, via Zoom or phone call. Instructions on how to access the meeting by phone are listed below.

The Zoom meeting IDs are 889 679 0258, Password 619735

For current agendas see the posting locations: Elk Mound Village Hall, Post Office, Independence State Bank, as well as on the website: www.elkmound.org, click on government, then board/committee agendas. Village Residents are encouraged to participate under citizen's forum, if you have a topic for discussion please email to karin@elkmound.org.

Donations for Friends of the Menomonie Public Library Book Sale

Please Read

- Gently used adult and children's fiction, including best sellers
- CDs, DVDs and Audio Books in playable condition
- Non-fiction books (self-help, travel, crafts, cookbooks, gardening, hobbies, business, health)

Please: Musty, dusty, moldy or torn books are not acceptable and may harm volunteers and staff who must handle them, and can infect the library's collection.

We are not interested in magazines, encyclopedias, condensed books, books from rummage sales or other book sales.

WARNING SIREN

When severe weather occurs, you will hear a steady tone for three minutes. Upon early warning, volunteers will attempt to set the Warning Siren to a STEADY TONE. This warning is to inform you to seek information from TV, broadcast radio, or "NOAA Weather Alert" radio. For residents that do not have adequate shelter, the Lutheran Church, 207 University Street, has offered the use of the church basement. Every effort will be made to get the rear (south) doors opened on alarm. **YOU SHOULD MAKE ALTERNATE PLANS IN THE EVENT THE CHURCH IS NOT OPEN!!**

Having a plan in place will minimize confusion when time is of the essence. Preplanning to bring flashlights, possibly a blanket, as well as making other arrangements for pets will make for quick access to shelter. (Please do not bring pets to the Church).

This plan will be in effect immediately and until further notice.

"NOAA Weather Alert" radios are available for purchase at local electronics or major department stores. These units can be used in addition to the local warning siren for early severe storm alerts.

According to Dunn County Emergency Management, the siren is intended to alert people outdoors that severe weather conditions are nearby. The sounding of these sirens is your cue to access local detailed weather information from radio or television and discover if there is an need to take further action. More information can be found on their site: www.dunn.wi.co.us, click on Departments, Emergency Management & Outdoor Warning Sirens.

Dunn County Communications Center is responsible for testing the emergency siren system April through October. Village of Elk Mound tests November through March. The Emergency Warning Siren is tested the first Monday of each month at 10:00 am and monitored by the Village of Elk Mound. Standard emergency warning siren electro-mechanical tones are as follows:

- ALERT— Steady Tone, 3 minutes
- ATTACK—Wailing Tone, 6 sec. Hi/6 sec. Low, 3 min
- FIRE— Wailing Tone, 16 sec. Hi/8 Sec. Low, 4 Cycles
- GROWL- Short Burst, 2 Sec. Used for testing of siren only.

NOXIOUS WEED DESTRUCTION

Every person within the Village limits shall destroy all noxious weeds as defined by Wisconsin Statute 66.0407 on all lands which they shall own, occupy, or control. If the noxious weeds are not removed, each day of non-compliance will be considered a separate offense and be subject to the current fines and penalties in force at the time of non-compliance.

Village of Elk Mound
Karin Wolf, Clerk/Treasurer

Ordinance Reminder: Lawns, Grasses & Noxious Weeds (Section 8-1-6)

Lawns shall be maintained to a height not to exceed eight (8) inches. Plantings shall be maintained so as not to present hazards to adjoining properties or to persons or vehicles traveling on public ways and shall be maintained so as to enhance the appearance and value of the property on which located and thereby the appearance and value of the neighborhood and the Village of Elk Mound.

Building Permits

If you are planning a building or project this summer, please contact the Village Hall—or to view a full listing of items requiring a permit see our website www.elkmound.org code of ordinances 15-1-2.

Warning Siren

The Warning Siren will be tested the first Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m., dates are as follows:

- May 6, 2024
- June 3, 2024
- July 1, 2024

May 2024

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COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Community Food Pantry is located at Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church, 207 University Street (Entrance from the Parking Lot).
Call 715-879-5115 with any questions.

E-mail: info@elkmound.org
Website: www.elkmound.org

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