

FIRST QUARTER 2022

City Receives \$651,000 WDNR Grant to Replace Private Lead Laterals

Great News! The Edgerton Water Utility's application to the WDNR for grant funding was approved. The grant will allow the Utility to pay for the replacement of approximately 160 private lead water laterals this year. Last year, the Utility replaced 100 private lead laterals using funding from the same WDNR program.

Following last year's successful program, the City updated policies relating to the replacement of lead laterals. The City Council passed an ordinance making it **mandatory** that all lead laterals be replaced for the following reasons: to maximize grant funding for residents; to limit health risks for all utility customers; and to eliminate the chemicals that need to be added to the public water to reduce the negative impacts of lead. The Water Utility set a goal to have all lead laterals replaced by the end of 2023.

To meet this goal, all residents in neighborhoods with older homes that are apt to have lead laterals should contact the city to schedule an appointment for an inspection. A lateral inspection occurs at the water meter (which is typically located in the basement of the structure). An inspection is required to determine the lateral material. If you live in a neighborhood with older homes, please schedule an inspection as soon as possible. You can schedule an appointment by calling City Hall at (608) 884-3341 or by visiting www.cityofedgerton.com, where you will find a link to schedule an inspection. (Note: Lead water piping was made illegal in 1986, so any homes built after that date should not have lead pipes.)



2022 Street Projects

South Main Street from Lord Street to Hain Road (Phase 2). This is the second year of an enormous two year project. The 2022 project will replace the storm sewer, sidewalk, curb and street throughout the entire corridor. The street will be open to local traffic only. A portion of the funding for the project is being provided by a WDOT STP grant.

Henry Street will be reconstructed this year. The project will include new sewer, water, storm sewer, street trees, and pavement; and spot curb and sidewalk repair.

<u>Robert Street</u> will be resurfaced from Hubert Street to the north end.

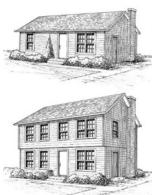
"Revive Edgerton" Housing Program Gets a \$130,000 Boost

The City Council recently voted to increase funding for the Revive Edgerton program. \$130,000 of TIF increment from a retiring TIF district was added to the initial program amount of \$340,000. Since the program started last year, \$39,176 has been awarded in loans and grants for the nearly \$100,000 worth of investments home owners have made through the program.

Who can apply for loans or grants?

Edgerton's Home Revival Program aims to improve and update "affordable" homes in Edgerton by providing grants and low interest loans for eligible improvements.

Affordable is defined as having an assessed value less than \$207,968 (this number will be increased in the next few months). Owners of owner-occupied homes and condominiums are eligible to apply. Modernizing smaller or outdated housing units improves livability, increases resale values, makes homes more energy efficient, and attracts more people to live and invest in Edgerton.



What work is eligible?

The work should serve to improve the value and marketability of the property; it should modernize or expand the structure and its component parts; and/or it should increase energy efficiency. Below is a partial list of eligible projects.

<u>Renewable Energy</u>: Purchase and installation of renewable energy technologies, such as solar panels

New Mechanical Systems: (not replacements)

New construction: expansion of the structure; and the finishing of unfinished spaces

<u>Complete remodel of interior space:</u> to modernize and to improve usability and marketability

<u>Energy efficiency upgrades</u>: insulation, window replacement, installing a heat pump

<u>Environmental remediation</u>: removal of asbestos or lead-based paint

New detached freestanding garages: (if no garage exists).

Please contact City Hall to take advantage of this great program!

2022 SPRING ELECTION

Polls will be open at City Hall on April 5, 2022 from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. You still have time to absentee vote if you do not wish to vote at the polls on Election Day.

Request an absentee ballot online at myvote.wi.gov prior to March 31st and a ballot will be mailed to you. Voters may also email or mail a written request with a photo ID (scan or copy) to the City Clerk for a ballot to wloveland@edgerton.wi.gov. Please be sure to allow for mailing time, as the ballot must be returned on or before Election Day.

If you have questions or need assistance with any of your voting options, please contact your friendly staff at Edgerton City Hall (608) 884-3341 or go to the Wisconsin Voter Information Center at www.elections.wi.gov/voters.

Local Candidates

Mayor Christopher Lund Alderpersons
<u>First District</u>
Casey Langan

School Board Jim Raymond Matt Towns Kathy Klein Second District
Matt McIntyre
Tim Shaw
Third District
Jim Burdick

NOTICE

Do not place ballots in the drop box per court order. Ballots must be mailed or dropped off by the voter.

CITY SERVICE NOTES

Swimming Pool and Lawns

What do these two things have in common? They both use water that does not end up at the wastewater treatment plant. The City Council updated regulations related to credits for filling a swimming pool and watering landscaping. If you have a swimming pool that is more than 1,000 gallons, you can request a meter reading before and after you fill your pool in order to avoid sewer charges on the water that went into the pool. To obtain the credit, residents must follow specific rules, so please call City Hall before you start filling.

The updated policy also clarifies that credits will <u>not</u> be given for water used on landscaping or lawns. If you plan to use a lot of water on your lawn, you can purchase a special irrigation meter from the city. An irrigation meter measures the amount of water used to water your landscaping. With an irrigation meter, you do not have to pay sewer charges on that water, since it does not go to the wastewater treatment plant.

E-Waste

The dates for this year's two e-waste collection events are April 23 and September 24 at the Public Works Garage 315 W High Street. Watch the City's website for details of the events.

Alliant Energy's One Million Trees Program is coming to Edgerton this spring. Up to 200 trees will be available to Alliant Energy customers for just \$25 each. Limit one per address. Alliant will provide program details to Edgerton customers soon.

Large item pick-up is the 4th week of every month on your regularly scheduled pick up day. You are not required to call to request a pick up. If you have a large item that requires two people to collect, like a refrigerator, Badgerland would appreciate a call. (608) 580-0580.

CEMETERY & COMPOST

Fassett Cemetery: Flowers and decorations on the graves need to be removed by April 15th to get ready for spring cleanup. Flowers may be replaced no sooner than the Friday before Mother's Day.

Compost: Looking for a place to dispose of leaves, grass clippings, twigs and garden debris? There is a compost pile located at Fassett Cemetery. These items will not be collected at the curb. Check the City's website for compost site hours.

TO THE CITY OF EDGERTON BARTENDERS

Your operator's license will expire on June 30, 2022. A renewal application must be submitted to the City of Edgerton no later than May 9, 2022 to allow time for background checks to be completed. The applications will be approved at the June 6, 2022 Finance Committee meeting. Applications can be picked up at City Hall or online at www.cityofedgerton.com.

Celebrate Arbor Day Friday, April 29, 2022

Look for event details on Facebook and at www.cityofedgerton.com

AQUATIC CENTER

The Edgerton Pool will open for the 2022 season on June 5th at 12:30pm. Pre-season pass sales will be May 19th – June 4th at the pool. Time of sales



will vary! Please check the pool windows or our website for sale times.

Forms are available on the city's website www.cityofedgerton.com. Just fill in the form and return to Edgerton City Hall at 12 Albion St with your payment.



Is it Really Flushable?

Just because something will physically go down the toilet does not mean it should be flushed. Flushing items that are not flushable causes backups in sanitary sewer mains which can cause backups in homes. Non flushable items that reach the wastewater treatment plant cause problems with plant equipment.

Please never flush:

- -Baby wipes, moist wipes, paper towel, facial tissues (even is labeled flushable)
- -Bandages, dressings
- -Dental floss, string or thread
- -Tampons, condoms, sanitary napkins, diapers
- -Fats, oils, grease
- -Wrappers, plastic bags
- -Sponges
- -Fish gravel
- -Fabric/clothing

Thank you for your cooperation!