

## City Steps-up Street Repair

You have probably noticed the increase in street work this year. The City Council's efforts will result in 25 streets (22% of all streets) within the City having some significant work done this year. Seventeen streets had crack-filling and chip-sealing work done. These processes are a type of preventative maintenance that extends the life of streets to reduce future road repair costs. Wilson St, Terrace Ct, Henderson St, Maple St, and portions of Interstate Blvd, Maple Ct, Swift St, and Fassett Cemetery streets, have all had a more rigorous treatment: they were rehabilitated by the removal and replacement of the top layer of asphalt. Rollin Street from Main to Albion is being completely reconstructed, including the underground infrastructure, with the financial assistance of a CDBG grant.

We hope you enjoy a smoother ride once all the work is done. In the meantime, please be patient with the construction crews. Thank you.



# Let's Have Fun with the 2020 Census

## What were you wearing in 1970?

In an effort to encourage everyone to fill out their census form (and to have some fun) we are asking you to post a picture of yourself on the City's Facebook Page from every census year you have experienced. For example, if you were born in 1984, gather pictures from 1990, 2000, 2010, and 2020. How to Post:

1. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/groups/edgertoncensus>
2. Post your photos from any of the census years (no limit!)
3. Don't forget to include **#censuschallenge** on your post.
4. Share your post with friends and family!

If the pictures of you from the 1980s are too embarrassing, you could post pictures of your pets over the years or even your house. Here is a sample of City Hall in 2010 and 2020.

The City Council and staff will be posting their #censuschallenge collages for your entertainment.



## The Challenge is on

It is not too late to fill out your census form online, by phone, or by mail. The importance of being counted is more evident now than ever, as billions of dollars are being distributed around the country in response to the COVID-19 related economic downturn. Much of this funding has been distributed on a per capita basis. By responding to the Census, we can ensure that Edgerton receives all of the funding it's eligible for.

Another reason to respond to the census is for bragging rights. In the friendly competition for the "highest return rate in Rock County," Milton has pulled ahead of us by a small margin. Let's make sure Edgerton is #1 in Rock County.

### Census Response Rates - So Far

Dane Co	74.2%
Rock Co	73.0%
Milton	79.0%
Edgerton	78.2%
Evansville	78.0%
Janesville	75.3%
Beloit	66.0%

**DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC WORKS NOTICES**

**Large Item Pickup** Large items will be picked up the **second and fourth Wednesday** of each month. To have Waste Management pick up a large item, residents must call 1 888-960-0008 **at least 24 hours** before pick-up day. Large items include appliances and furniture. Large item pick up does not include electronics and tires. Please do not place large items at the curb for collection more than 24 hours before collection day.

**Waste Oil and Car Batteries:** City of Edgerton residents can bring waste oil and used car batteries to the City garage on the fourth Wednesday of each month between 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm. There is a limit of 15 gal. of waste oil and 3 batteries per year per household. Burns Full Service and City Trans also take waste oil.

**E-waste:** The first electronic waste collection event for City of Edgerton residents who have collection through the City waste contract will take place on Saturday, July 18, 2020 from 8:00am-11:00am at the City Garage, 315 W High St.

**Grass and Weeds:** Grass and weeds must be maintained at six inches or less in the City. If grass and weeds are not maintained according to the City Ordinance, the Department of Public Works will mow and there will be a charge to the property owners. All trees, bushes, or vegetation should be trimmed over streets and sidewalks.

**Clean Sweep:** Hazardous Chemical collection is on Friday, August 21, 2020 from 12:00-2:00pm at the City Garage. Advanced sign up is required (608)754-6617.

### **Mulch your Grass for a Healthy Lawn**

#### 5 Benefits of Lawn Mulching

- Grass clippings are a natural fertilizer: By mulching, you reduce your lawn's need for artificial fertilizers, thus saving money and improving surface water quality.
- Clipping hydrate: clippings help lawns stay hydrated in high-heat and drought conditions.
- Mulching reduces costs: Taxpayers bear the expense of processing and handling grass clippings that are brought to the compost pile.
- Mulching is less work: It takes time and energy to bag and transport grass clippings to the City's compost pile.
- Mulch is a natural weed killer. Regular mowing and mulching provides a barrier to weed seeds, preventing them from taking root.

### **AQUATIC CENTER**

The pool will open July 1 this year. Due to COVID 19, many pool policies have changed. Before you visit the pool, please review the City's website [www.cityofedgerton.com](http://www.cityofedgerton.com), Facebook page, or call 884-3232 to learn the latest information about pool.

### **Memorial Tree Contest**

Mayor Chris Lund will donate a tree again this year for Edgerton's Memorial Tree Contest. The winner of the contest will be able to dedicate a tree to the person (or pet) of their choice. The tree will be planted in the Linear Arboretum at Racetrack Park. The winner of the Memorial Tree Contest will be announced on August 3, 2020. To register, please visit [www.facebook.com/cityofedgerton](http://www.facebook.com/cityofedgerton) and follow the "easy-to-win" steps.

### **2020 Partisan Primary Election**

The Partisan Primary will be held **Tuesday, August 11, 2020**. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Offices on the ballot are: U.S. Senator; U.S. Representative; even-numbered Wisconsin State Senate seats; all Wisconsin Assembly seats; all District Attorneys; and county elected office seats. Independent candidates' names do not appear on the Partisan Primary ballot, but will be on the ballot in November.

#### **Voter Registration**

Regardless of what method you use to vote, registering before the election will save time on election day. You can register at City Hall until 5:00 pm the Friday before the election or at [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov) through July 22, 2020. You must always provide a Proof of Residence document when registering. Voter registration is required when requesting an absentee ballot for any election.

#### **Voting Options for all Elections**

The City of Edgerton is committed to following the social distancing guidelines set forth by the Rock County Health Department and the Wisconsin Election Commission. Therefore, we are encouraging voters to vote absentee. Below are the voting options for the August 11<sup>th</sup> and the November 3<sup>rd</sup> elections:

**In-Person absentee voting:** Voters can vote in-person via absentee ballot at City Hall prior to Election Day during regular office hours. In-person voting ends at 5:00 pm on the Friday before the election. **Photo ID is REQUIRED** for in-person absentee voting.

**Vote by Mail:** Request an absentee ballot either online at [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov) or in writing by email or mail from the City Clerk. You may choose to have a ballot mailed to you for the August and November elections. A **Photo ID is required** regardless of the method used to request your ballot. Please be sure to allow for mailing time, as the ballot must be returned by Election Day.

**Vote on Election Day:** For those who wish to vote in person on Election Day, the polls will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm at Edgerton City Hall. Our election workers will be happy to assist you. All our election staff will be attentive to keeping the election facility as clean and safe as possible. Extra efforts will be taken to continually wipe down voting booths and election equipment throughout the day. For voters' convenience, hand sanitizer will also be available.

If you have questions or need assistance with any of your voting options, please contact City Hall at 884-3341.