

VILLAGE OF ATHENS NEWSLETTER

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Board meetings held on the 4th Monday of the month at 7pm in the Village Board Room

VILLAGE OFFICIALS PHONE GUIDE

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To contact the Police Department

If there is no one in the office and you wish to leave a message...please call **715-257-7611** and we will get back to you as soon as possible. If you wish to speak to an officer immediately, please contact the Marathon County Sheriff's Dept. @ **715-261-7794**

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL? Automatic Withdrawal is available for the payment of your utility billings. You will still receive a paper copy of your bill, but payment will be automatically withdrawn on the 20th of the month. Forms are available in the Clerk's office or online at www.athenswis.com under "NEWS".

RENTALS

Athens Community Hall (approx. 250/chairs & 25 tables)
Rates: Village of Athens Residents: \$20/hr or \$200/day plus a \$75 deposit. **Non-Residents:** \$25/hr or \$250/day plus a \$75 deposit. If the hall is cleaned up after use, the deposit is returned.

Athens Village Park & Erbach Park

Rates: Village of Athens Residents: \$80/day

Non-Residents: \$95/day

RESERVATIONS CAN BE MADE BY CALLING THE CLERK'S OFFICE

Attention Dog Owners

Wisconsin State Law Requires All dogs to be vaccinated against rabies and to be licensed. Property owners may pay for dog license when paying property taxes. Other residents of the Village may request an application from the Village Treasurer at P.O. Box 220, Athens, WI. Licenses will be issued after the fee and proof that the dog has been vaccinated has been furnished.

RATES For Dog Licenses Are:

Neutered/Spayed Dogs.....\$ 5.00
Males/Females 10.00
Puppy M or F\$2.50 or 5.00
Kennel License 50.00

A list of delinquent dog owners will be sent to the District Attorney's office on April 1, 2017. Fines of \$50 to \$100 may be imposed for unvaccinated dogs.

BUILDING PERMITS

Anyone planning on building a new house or structure, remodeling or doing alterations to existing buildings in the Village of Athens, shall apply for a permit from Ben Brooks, (257-7183) to obtain such a permit. No work should proceed until the permit has been issued. No permit is required for construction or repair work with a value of \$1,000 or less. Remember, this dollar figure is based on material and labor costs. Even if you do your own labor, you must include at least a minimum labor cost along with the material cost for permit purposes. Permits are good for 6 months, and projects not having permits displayed for public view, or without permits, can be halted by the inspector or the Police Department.

RATES

New Home – 1500 sq feet or less	\$350
New Home – 2500 sq feet or less	\$400
New Home – 2500 sq feet or more	\$450
Mobile/Manufactured Homes	\$300/unit
Multi-Family Homes	\$200/unit
Commercial Buildings	\$200/unit
Residential additions/garages	\$100
Commercial & Residential repair	\$25

Siding, roofing, windows, fences, pools, hot tubs, decks, sheds, porches, gazebos, awnings, canopies, etc.

Moving Building \$50

Driveway Permit \$15

Re-inspection Fee \$20

Building Without a Village Permit DOUBLE FEES



The Village has created a Facebook page...please be sure to "like us" to get up to date information on happenings around the Village!

Marathon County Solid Waste and Recycling Information Line
1-877-270-3989

Find out how to properly manage the following: hazardous materials, bulky items, electronics, appliances, recyclables, rubbish, fluorescent bulbs, construction debris, etc.

Get information about: special events, prices/fees, landfill hours/directions, waste reduction, how to recycle more, composting, etc.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING INFORMATION

Curbside garbage and recycling pickup is weekly on Friday. All items are to be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. and are not allowed out any sooner than 24 hours prior to pickup, and containers are to be removed from the curb within 24 hours after pickup. Residents are allowed to place (2) 30 gallon trash bags or two (2) reusable containers, not to exceed a loaded weight of 50 lbs. each. If you have more than allowed, the contractor is not to pick the additional up and is supposed to tag it as such. You can put out any quantity of recyclables each week. **NO LIMIT!!**

The following items can be mixed together:

1. **ALUMINUM CANS/CONTAINER GLASS** (glass clean with caps removed and should not be broken), **PLASTIC BOTTLES & CONTAINERS** (#1 through #7 clean bottles/containers including aseptic packaging such as juice boxes and soup broth containers, but DOES NOT include motor oil bottles, plastic bags, styrofoam cups/containers and packing peanuts), and **TIN CANS** (clean with labels removed) can be mixed together in one container.
2. **MIXED PAPER PRODUCTS:** Includes all grades of paper including newspapers, magazines, phone books, file folders, post-it notes, spiral notebooks, cereal boxes, shoe boxes, grocery bags, beverage cartons. Can include paper clips and staples but DOES NOT include wax paper, hand towels, napkins or paper plates. *All paper products should be placed in a paper bag or bundled*
3. **CORRUGATED CARDBOARD:** Must be flattened and bundled in bundles not more than 12 inches high by 24 inches wide and 36 inches long. DOES NOT include waxed cardboard.
4. Waste oil – there is a drop off site located at the recycling center by the Disposal Plant on Goodrich Street. PLEASE make sure to take your containers with you.
5. Yard Waste (leaves, grass clippings, yard/garden debris)- The Village has a drop off site located at 104 Degner St. When bringing items to this site, please put them in the proper place as noted by the signs!
6. Large items excluding appliances and console tvs (such as couches & recliners) - Please call Advanced Disposal at 1-888-271-7176 to schedule a pickup.
7. Tire Recycling- Please call either Len's Auto (257-9186) or Gauerke's Tire and Auto (257-7808) for the cost.

NOTICE –ATHENS AREA RESIDENTS TORNADO SHELTER

St. Anthony's School, 309 Mueller St.

If a Tornado **WARNING** is issued for our area and weather in Athens concurs with the warning, the emergency shelter will be opened.

The handicap accessible entrance to the shelter is located on the south side of the school and is marked with yellow and black signs. When responding to the shelter, please bring a flashlight(s) and blankets for you and your family.

In the event of a Tornado Sighting in our area, the warning sirens will be activated. **DO NOT GO OUTSIDE TO SEE WHAT IS GOING ON!!**

If you respond to the shelter and it is not open, contact the Marathon County Sheriff's Dept. at 715-261-7794 and they will dispatch someone to the shelter. If you have any questions, please contact the Athens Police Department at 715-257-7611.

WWW.ATHENSWIS.COM

We've made changes to the Village Website!! Besides changes to the layout of the web page, we have added the following categories:

- *Business Directory listing for Village of Athens Businesses.
 - *Organizations-
 - *Event Calendar had been updated to include more events that are happening in the Village, as well as a link to the school's website to see what it is happening there!
- If you have a business, organization or community event that you would like listed on the website, please contact the Clerk's office!!

*******UPCOMING EVENTS*******

Visit the Village website for more events)

***Thursday, May 11th - Board of Review**

9-11am – Informal Meetings with Assessor (please call for appt.)

12:30-2:30pm – Board of Review hearings (by appt. only)

***Thursday, May 11th and 25th – Curbside Brush Pickup**

The Village of Athens will provide curbside brush chipping on these dates. After these dates, you will need to bring your brush to the yard waste disposal site. Please call the Village Clerk's office by 9am on these dates listed to request curbside chipping.

*This is **NOT** a tree removal service, but instead should be used to provide a service to residents who are doing routine tree maintenance.

*Branches should maximum of 4 inches in diameter

*Please neatly stack the piles of brush no taller than 4 feet high and 10 feet long parallel to the curb.

*No stumps

If these guidelines are not followed, your brush will not be chipped curbside and you will be responsible for hauling it down to the yard waste disposal site. As a reminder, you may bring your brush to the Disposal site (located at 104 Degner St) at any time. Contact Clerk's office with questions.

***Friday, May 5^h - Spring Cleanup Day**

Village residents can deposit as much garbage as you can find at the curb and it will be picked up (no building materials, tv's, computers and appliances).

***Saturday, May 6th - 8am-noon**, at Memorial Park, Clean Up America Crew will collect the following for a charge: Tires with rims (\$10), monitors (\$30), tv's (\$20-\$60). The following will be collected free of charge: freezers, refrigerators, air conditioning units, automotive batteries, bikes, mowers, exercise equipment, bath tubs, grills, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, propane tanks, dish washers, furnaces, copiers, printers, computer components, microwaves, plus all metals. Contact Darrell Schillinger at 715-613-7016 with questions.

*** June 8th-10th – Athens Area Garage Sales** – Call 715-257-7353 for more info.

***August 17th-20th – Athens Fair**

(Calendar of Events will be posted on the Village website when they become available)

Also during the summer, there will be Farmer's Markets on Tuesdays in Memorial Park and Friday night dinners on the square (and don't forget to stay to watch the Old Timer's Band!) For more information, call 715-257-7353.