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Summer Reminders

Pools - Pools that hold more than 30 inches of water depth need a permit and must have a 5 foot high fence with a locking gate. Get your permit at the Public Works Facility, 150 Northside Drive.

Yard Waste - Yard waste bins are open at the Public Works Facility, 150 Northside Drive, for leaves, grass clippings, weeds, small twigs, etc. Please do not dispose of branches larger than the diameter of your finger in the yard waste bins.

Grass Clippings in the Street – Grass clippings are not allowed in the street per city ordinance. Please sweep or blow clippings into your lawn or collect and drop off at the yard waste bins at the Public Works Facility, 150 Northside Drive. This helps to keep the City's storm drains and ditches free of debris preventing flooding and ditch maintenance.

Curbside Brush Pickup - Brush collection occurs periodically throughout the year. The next collection is June 1-9 followed by July 6-14. Refer to the brush collection schedule on the City's website for additional dates.

Splash Pad – The Goodrich Square Splash Pad will open no later than Memorial Day, but possibly sooner depending on the weather. The splash pad will be available to use from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. There will not be a concession stand open regularly in 2019.

Clean Sweep - Call Rock County at (608) 754-6617 ext. 4758 for information on disposal of hazardous chemicals.

Library Amateur Photo Contest

June 1 – September 30

Anyone ages 6 and up is welcome to join the fun. Stop at the library for complete rules and entry forms. All submissions are due by September 30.



Photographs will be judged by professional photographers and displayed October through November.

Elected Official Contact Info

If you have any questions or concerns regarding city business, feel free to contact city staff or one of your Elected Officials listed below.

Common Council

Mayor Anissa Welch

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Committees: Community Development Authority, Joint Review Board, Plan Commission, and Public Works Committee

Alderperson Lynda Clark Phone: (608) 290-5674 Email: lclark@milton-wi.gov Committees: Joint Fire Commission

Alderperson Jerry Elsen

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Committees: Parks & Recreation Commission

and Public Works Committee

Alderperson Ryan Holbrook

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Committees: Community Development Authority, Historic Preservation Commission, and Policy & Procedures Ad Hoc Committee

Alderperson Larry Laehn Phone: (920) 540-9927

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Committees: Joint Fire Commission and Plan

Commission

Alderperson Theresa Rusch

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Committees: Joint Fire Commission and

Library Board

Alderperson Bill Wilson

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Committees: Ethics Board and Joint Fire

Commission

Municipal Court

Municipal Court Judge Kris Koeffler is also available to answer questions regarding the municipal court by calling (608) 868-6910 or emailing kkoeffler@milton-wi.gov.

Important Dates to Remember

Offices Closed:

- May 27 Memorial Day
- July $4 4^{th}$ of July

Other Dates:

• Community Recognition Picnic – May 23

Memorial Day Event

A group of community members will be hosting a ceremony at the Milton Area Veterans Memorial in Veterans Park starting at 8:30 a.m. on Memorial Day, May 27. The ceremony will be followed by a silent march to Milton Junction Cemetery, and the event will culminate at Veterans Park with a lunch to raise funds for a new pavilion for the park.

#BookItToMPL **Summer Learning Program**

June 11 to August 10 For a list of all the summer programs, please www.miltonpubliclibrary.org.

MPL Milton Mayhem Bike Scavenger Hunt

June 15, 9 a.m. to Noon, 8:30 a.m. packet pick-up Get on your bikes, don your helmets, and prepare to pedal around Milton. You can go solo or ride with a team. There are long and short ride options accommodate all skill Registration and waiver required at Library.

City of Milton Department Phone Numbers

City Hall - 868-6900 Fire Dept.: 868-2842 Library – 868-7462 Police Dept. -868-6910 Public Works -868-6914



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Community Recognition Picnic - May 23, 2019



The City of Milton will host the 6th Annual Community Recognition Picnic on May 23. This event recognizes citizens and city employees that have demonstrated extra-

ordinary commitment to the Milton community through their actions in 2018. The event is also a chance to recognize the many volunteers the City has serving on the various committees and commissions.

The Community Recognition Picnic will be held at the Milton Community House, 20 Parkview Drive. The City of Milton will provide BBQ pork sandwiches, BBQ boneless wings, soda, water, plates, and cutlery. Community members are encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert to pass.

The picnic will start at 5:30 p.m. and the program will begin at 6 p.m. Please RSVP to City Hall as soon as possible for planning purposes by calling (608) 868-6900 ext. 5 or online at www.milton-wi.gov/PicnicRSVP.

Ordinance Reminders: Recreational Fires and Fireworks

Fires:

Generally, the only fires permitted by ordinance are grills and outdoor campfires for cooking, ceremonies, or recreation. These approved fires must be confined by a control device or structure such as a barrel, fire ring, or fire pit. The material allowed in such campfires can include leaves, brush, clean wood, and other vegetative debris.

Uncontained bonfires are allowed only if approved by and in accordance with provisions established by the Fire Chief. Other types of open burning for weed control, habitat management, or purposes other than recreation should generally be reviewed and approved by the Fire Chief.

There are prohibitions on burning other types of material within the ordinance. For example, the burning of rubbish, garbage, furniture, construction debris, treated wood, plastics, rubber, recyclables, and waste oil are all prohibited.

More details can be found in the Milton Code of Ordinances, Section 50-33 Outdoor and Refuse Burning.

Fireworks:

The laws of the State of Wisconsin and our city ordinances are very restrictive when it comes to fireworks. The only types of fireworks permitted by ordinance include toy pistol paper caps, sparklers, and toy snakes.

The use of any other type of fireworks are only authorized by a permit granted by the mayor and approved by the Fire Chief. Wisconsin State Statute 167.10 is very clear that possessing or using any other fireworks, including, for example, firecrackers, roman candles, bottle rockets and mortars without a valid permit is illegal. A commonly used rule of thumb is that a permit is required if the device explodes or leaves the ground.

Unfortunately, firework retailers will frequently still sell these items to Wisconsin residents, even though they are illegal to possess and use without a permit throughout Wisconsin. Being able to purchase prohibited items at a fireworks retailer does not mean they are legal to possess and use without a permit.

Finally, the police department also frequently responds to noise complaints, property damage, and other issues related to the use of illegal fireworks within the city. Being considerate of others when living in a city where neighbors are close by is not only polite, it eliminates the need for the police department to take enforcement action.

Additional details can be found in the Milton Code of Ordinances, Section 50-34: Sale and Discharge of Fireworks, and Wisconsin State Statute 167.10 Regulation of Fireworks.

All current Milton ordinances can be found online at www.milton-wi.gov/Ordinances.

All current Wisconsin State Statues can be found online at

https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/

Outside Water Meters

If you use more than 2,000 gallons of water each month for outside watering, consider renting an outside water meter. The cost is \$12 per month for the rental plus \$84 for the security deposit. Call City Hall for details.

Milton Public Library Little Owl / Wise Owl Reading Program

June 24 – August 16

Teens in grades 7-12 are paired up with younger readers in grades 1-3 for weekly one-on-one reading. Pairs will also have the opportunity to work on their own picture ebook. Teen participants will earn volunteer hours. Applications will be available at the library starting June 1 and are due June 20.

City Meeting Schedule

- May 20, 6 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission
- May 21, 6 p.m. Common Council
- June 3, 6:30 p.m. Library Board
- June 4, 4 p.m. Plan Commission
- June 6, 6 p.m. Common Council
- June 5, 5:30 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission
- June 17, 6 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission
- June 18, 6 p.m. Common Council
- June 19, 7 p.m. Joint Fire Commission

Dates and times for meetings may change. All agendas and minutes are posted on the City of Milton website (www.miltonwi.gov).