



City Facilities Open for In-Person Transactions

With Rock County's movement to Phase 2 of their Reopening Phased Plan on March 2, the City of Milton reviewed the provided guidance and decided to move to Phase 2 of the City's Reopening Phased Plan as well.

Changes to City operations are as follows:

- All Milton facility lobbies will be open to the public for in-person transactions. The opening dates are as follows:
 - Milton Public Library – Opened to the public on Thursday, March 4.
 - City Hall, Police Department, and Municipal Court – Opened to the public on Monday, March 8.
 - Public Works – Opening to the public on Monday, March 23 (tentative)

- Park pavilion and Community House rentals will resume. Renters will be told the guidance from Rock County on limiting the number of people at gatherings. Pavilions and the Community House will be rented every other day in order to allow sufficient time for staff to clean the facilities.

Even though facilities are open for in-person transactions, City staff continue to encourage community members to utilize contact-less service options, such as using the secure drop box at City Hall for payments or utilizing curbside pickup for materials from the Milton Public Library.

Face masks or cloth face coverings also continue to be required in City facilities.

2021 Residential Exterior Improvement Program

The City of Milton is accepting applications for the 2021 Residential Exterior Improvement Program.

The first round of applications will be reviewed at the April 20 meeting of the Common Council. Please submit your application by **Monday, April 12**, in order to be considered at the meeting.

The Residential Exterior Improvement Program is a matching grant program provided by the City for community members to improve the exterior of their properties. Information about the program

and the application is available at City Hall, 710 S. Janesville Street, and on the City's website.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact City Administrator Al Hulick at (608) 868-6900 ext. 6.



Dog & Cat Licenses Available



Dog and cat licenses for 2021 are now available at City Hall, 710 S. Janesville Street.

All dogs and cats in the City of Milton over 5 months of age **must** be licensed by April 1 of each year. A \$10 late fee per animal is assessed after

this date. The licensing period runs January – December.

Fees:

- Spayed / Neutered: \$8
- Non-Spayed / Non-Neutered: \$15

Additional Dog & Cat Information

Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pet(s). This applies to all City properties and neighbors' yards.

The City does not pick up stray dogs or cats. If an animal is found, please call the Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin at (608) 752-5622.

Important Dates to Remember:

Dog & Cat Licenses Due:

- April 1
- \$10 late fee assessed per animal after April 1

2021 Remaining Elections:

- Spring Election – April 6
- *In-Person absentee voting starts March 23, 2021.*
- *The first batch of absentee ballots will be mailed to those who requested them by March 16, 2021*

MyVote Website:

Go to MyVote (www.myvote.wi.gov) to register to vote, request an absentee ballot, or view a sample ballot.

If you have any questions about the upcoming election, contact City Clerk Jenny Salvo at (608) 868-6900 ext. 2.

Annual Cemetery Cleanup:

Starting April 16, Public Works staff will remove old flowers, wreaths, etc. from the cemetery as part of the annual cleanup. The cleanup will be done by April 20. New items should not be placed at the cemetery until April 21. If there are any questions about the cleanup, please contact the Department of Public Works.

City of Milton Department Phone Numbers:

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



Milton Public Library to Launch Monthly Newsletter



The Milton Public Library is launching monthly newsletters in April! Subscribe today to get updates on programs, services, and books for adults and/or youth. Scan the QR code or head to the Events & More tab on library's website at www.miltonpubliclibrary.org. The library always has something going on, so don't miss out! Subscribe with the QR code to the left.

Story Gardens Update



The Story Gardens Subcommittee has been working hard on moving forward with implementing various design elements of Story Gardens, an outdoor branch of the Milton Public Library located in the green space between the library and the Milton School District offices focused on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) programming.

Below are a list of 2020 accomplishments:

- Pollinator garden added through a grant from GROWMARK
- Two raised garden beds constructed by the Milton Lions Club were planted with plant donations from David and Barbara Bendlin
- Kindness Bench and stones were donated by Girl Scout Troop 7452.
- A monarch mosaic art piece was created by local artist Heather Hansen and added to the pollinator garden
- A bee mosaic art piece was created and donated by local artist Connie Bier and added to the pollinator garden

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- Access ramps added to the north and south end of the space through donations of labor from Frank Silha & Sons and Lyons Concrete Construction.

Do you want to become involved in Story Gardens?

- **Volunteer** – We will need help maintaining the gardens, and we will provide tools and training for anyone interested. Contact the Milton Public Library to sign up!
- **Donate** – The subcommittee would like to add the perimeter walking path, an entrance archway art piece, and an outdoor programming space (gazebo) in 2021. Easily donate online using PayPal on the library's website or complete a donation form available at the library and online.

Find out more at the Milton Public Library, or online at www.als.lib.wi.us/MPL/story-gardens/.

City Meeting Schedule:

All meetings continue to be virtual. Instructions on how to monitor the meetings are included on each agenda.

- March 15, 5:15 p.m. – Story Gardens Subcommittee
- March 15, 6 p.m. – Parks & Recreation Commission
- March 16, 6 p.m. – Common Council
- March 17, 6 p.m. – Joint Fire Commission
- April 5, 6:30 p.m. – Library Board
- April 7, 4 p.m. – Plan Commission
- April 7, 6 p.m. – Common Council
- April 19, 5:15 p.m. – Story Gardens Subcommittee
- April 19, 6 p.m. – Parks & Recreation Commission
- April 20, 6 p.m. – Common Council
- April 21, 6 p.m. – Joint Fire Commission
- May 3, 6:30 p.m. – Library Board
- May 4, 6 p.m. – Common Council
- May 5, 5:30 p.m. – Historic Preservation Commission
- May 12, 6 p.m. – Police Commission
- May 17, 5:15 p.m. – Story Gardens Subcommittee
- May 17, 6 p.m. – Parks & Recreation Commission
- May 18, 6 p.m. – Common Council

Dates and times for meetings may change. All agendas and minutes are posted on the City's website.



Nextdoor

The City of Milton is now on NextDoor

www.milton-wi.gov/NextDoor



MILTON HAS RECEIVED A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF WISCONSIN TO HELP CUSTOMERS REPLACE THEIR LEAD SERVICE LINES

Milton stays diligent in its efforts to provide the highest quality water possible. Although we have no lead violations, Milton strongly encourages you, our customer, to remove lead piping from your property.

Lead service lines (LSL) were typically installed before 1950. Lead pipes are dull gray in color and are soft enough to be easily scratched with a house key or a coin. A magnet will not stick to lead pipe.

Water service lines consist of two components. The public service line between the water main in the street and the curb shut off in your yard and the private service line between the curb shut off in your yard and your home. This grant provides funding for 100 percent of the cost of the private replacement and will be awarded to eligible properties on a first come first served basis.

At this time there is no federal, state or local government mandate that all homeowners replace their private lead service. If or when that will happen is not yet clear. In anticipation of this, Milton applied for and received a grant to help customers replace their lead services. At this time we are gathering data to determine customers who have a lead service. Currently the funding is only available to residential properties owned by an individual(s) (not a business or non-profit entity) and those that have previously had their Utility owned LSL replaced.

This could be the only opportunity our customers have for funding assistance. At this time other customers are not eligible for the program, however are still encouraged to investigate their service line material and replace their LSL. No future funds have been guaranteed by the state or federal government. We strongly suggest you sign up to participate in the program so that you are not responsible for 100% of the replacement costs if a replacement becomes mandatory.



Photo courtesy of WDNR

WHAT TO DO NEXT?

Complete the Customer Interest Form on the back of this sheet or complete the form online at www.milton-wi.gov/LSL. Schedule an appointment through the City of Milton Water Utility online (www.milton-wi.gov/LSLInterestFormElectronic) or by telephone at (608) 868-6901 to have a Water Operator confirm you have a lead service line or to help determine what type you have. If it's determined that you have a LSL and are an eligible customer, you may apply for the program. Customers who decide not to participate in the lead replacement program, might ultimately be responsible for the replacement costs if replacement becomes mandatory. Let us help you make this transition easier.



Photo courtesy of EPA

PRIVATE LEAD SERVICE LINE CUSTOMER INTEREST FORM



Photo courtesy of Madison Water Utility

Lead Pipe

The scratched area is shiny and silver. A magnet will not stick.



Photo courtesy of Madison Water Utility

Copper Pipe

The scratched area is copper in color like a penny. A magnet will not stick.

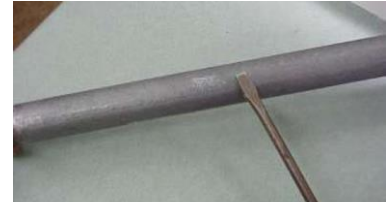


Photo courtesy of Madison Water Utility

Galvanized Steel Pipe

The Scratched area remains a dull gray. A magnet will stick.

Physical Property Address: _____

Property Type (Check One): Residential •
 Other • Description: _____

Owner Name as indicated on Deed: _____
 (Only residential properties owned by an individual(s) are eligible.)

I believe my service to be made of Lead / Copper / Galvanized Steel / Plastic /Unsure (**circle one**).

Please INITIAL one of the following statements:

_____ Yes, I am interested in participating in the Lead Service Replacement program.

You will be contacted by Water Utility representatives.

Phone number: _____

Mailing address: _____

Email: _____

_____ No, I am not interested in participating in the Lead Service Replacement program. I understand that if private service line replacement becomes mandatory, I may be 100% responsible for the replacement cost.

 Property Owner's Signature

 Date

Return Form to: City of Milton, WI
 710 S. Janesville Street
 Milton, WI 53563