

# Evansville News

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Aquatics Center	882-2276
Water & Light Billing	882-2266
Water & Light Shop	882-2288
Public Works Shop	882-2270
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EMS Non-Emergency	882-2269
Police Non-Emergency	882-2292

#### **City Assessor Associated Appraisal:**

www.apraz.com 1-800-721-4157

# **City Elected Officials**

<b>Dianne Duggan</b> Mayor (608) 436-9419
Cory Neeley District 1 Alderperson (608) 358-3852
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# WHAT'S NEW?

- ✓ Utility Billing Upgrades
- √ The New Larson Acres Park
- ✓ Aquatic Center Opening in 2024
- ✓ Splashpad Opening in 2024
- ✓ Winter Parking Reminder
- ✓ New City Hall Hours

#### **Get City Information in Your Inbox**

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Find us on Facebook: City of Evansville, WI

# **New City Hall Hours January 8th**

City Hall will be shifting hours of operation 30 minutes earlier to better serve residents that need to access services before heading out on their morning commutes. **New hours will be 7:30am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday.** 



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31 S Madison St | 882-2266 After-Hour (Non-Emergency) Power Outage | 882-2288

Pay Water & Light bills online or in person. Evansville Water & Light is upgrading utility billing services in early February to offer more robust online access to utility payment and usage information. Watch utility bills for announcements about the transition. In-person payments will be accepted during business hours at City Hall and Piggly Wiggly.

Pay Water & Light bills by Automatic ACH. For assistance with this matter or anything else please feel free to call our billing office.

Water Quality. The City of Evansville is working with Town & Country Engineering to map and monitor changes in water quality. If you notice water quality issues, visit: <a href="https://www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/waterquality">www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/waterquality</a>

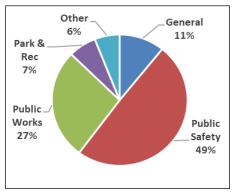
#### **2024 BUDGET:**

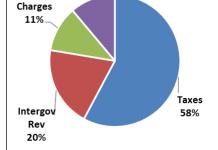
#### General Fund expenditures will total \$4,448,360, an increase of \$323,129 or 7.24% from 2023.

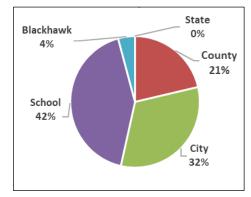
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GENERAL FUND BUDGETED EXPENSES

GENERAL FUND BUDGETED REVENUES

TAX LEVY DISTRIBUTION

## **Associated Appraisal**

**Consultants, Inc.** The City of Evansville contracts its property assessment services with Associated Appraisal. Contact Associated Appraisal with questions at 920-749-1995.

## Municipal Services Department Scott Kriebs, Director: (608) 882-2262

The department maintains city facilities, parks, roadways, stormwater, wastewater, electric, and water operations.

#### **Brush/Yard Waste Pick-Up**

Information can be found at www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/refuse. Brush/Yard waste pick up occurs **from April 1**<sup>st</sup> **through October 11**<sup>th</sup>. Municipal services staff will perform yard waste pickups once each month during the first full week. Yard waste must be on the terrace <u>not in the street</u>, and brush must be stacked in bundles (no longer than 6' and no larger than 6" in diameter) and placed at the curb.

### **Brush/Yard Waste Drop-Site & E-Waste**

Brush and yard waste can also be dropped off at the City Brush/Yard Waste Drop-site located 465 Water Street (next to the Fire Department.) The site is open on Wednesdays from 5pm to 7pm from April 3<sup>rd</sup> until October 30<sup>th</sup> and Saturdays from 9am to 2:30pm April 6<sup>th</sup> through November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Non-city residents may purchase a permit at City Hall to access the site. An electronics Dumpster for city residents is also available at this site for no charge.

A list of the most common electronic devices are as follows: Consumer computers, Computer peripherals (i.e. keyboards, mouse, etc...), Televisions and other video display devices, Fax machines, VCRs and DVD players, Consumer printers, Phones with video displays (i.e. cell phones).

\*Please refer to Wisconsin State Statute 287.07(5)(a) for the complete list of electronic devices that are regulated under this law.

#### **Tax Bills & Lottery Credit**

City taxes are collected by the Rock County Treasurer's Office between the hours of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Friday. Their offices will be closed Monday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>; Tuesday, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>; Monday, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Full or first installment payments are due on or before January 31, 2024. Checks <u>must</u> be made payable to the <u>Rock County Treasurer</u> and mailed to 51 S Main Street, Janesville, WI 53545-3951. Include the top portion of your tax bill with your payment. Please reference your parcel number on any correspondence. Payment can be made by check, money order, or pay by Credit Card or Electronic Check using GovTech Services on the Rock County website, charges apply. Go to <u>www.co.rock.wi.us/</u> and click on Treasurer.

#### \*If you are requesting a receipt, please enclose a selfaddressed, stamped envelope.

If you owned your home on January 1, 2023, and it is your primary residence, you are eligible for a lottery and gaming credit. If you do not see one on your tax statement, please contact the Rock County Treasurer's Office before you make payment.

# **Property Fraud Alert**

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Property Fraud Alert

By subscribing to Property Fraud Alert (PFA), the subscriber will be notified any time there is a document recorded with their name as a party. PFA is a proactive service that gives property owners a better position against fraudsters. Whenever there is recording activity associated with their name, whether it be a fraudulent deed, a lien on their property, or a legitimate document – PFA provides a prompt notification to the subscriber. PFA is a free service made available by the Rock County Register of Deeds Office. Subscribe online: www.propertyfraudalert.com/WIRock or by phone 1-800-728-3858

# Floodplain and Flooding Information

Information on whether your property is in the 100-year floodplain can be obtained at City Hall. The Building Inspector, Community Development Director or City Clerk can help you. Maps are available to look at, as well as other flood-related information. The City also maintains elevation certificates for construction in 2009 and newer.

\*If you are building in the floodplain, purchase of flood insurance is mandatory if using a federally regulated/ insured bank for a loan. Visit www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/flooding for more information.

#### Flooding and Stormwater

The Public Works staff of the Municipal Services Department inspects streams, ditches, ponds, and culverts on a regular basis. If you see a local flooding or drainage problem that needs attention, please call 882-2270.

## New Aquatic Center 700 Porter Rd | (608) 882-2276



The new Aquatic Center in Larson Acres Park (formerly West Side Park) is expected to start operations for the FIRST season in spring of 2024. The new facility will be open to the public during the summer months and contain locker rooms, showers, lap pool, lazy river, diving board, climbing wall, two slides, activity pool with a zero-depth entry area. For up-to-date information on the operational capabilities of the Aquatic Center please visit: www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/aquatics

# Veterans Memorial Splashpad at Leonard-Leota Park



The site of the old swimming pool is being redeveloped into Evansville's first ever splashpad. Veterans Memorial Splashpad will include interactive geysers, rock formations, patios, terraces, and perennial gardens. Project information can be found at: www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/parkimprovements

#### Reserve Park Shelters & Athletic Fields



Fields must be reserved and paid for separately. Rental of one does not automatically result in the use of the other. Reservations can be made beginning January 1 of each year. The rental fee must be

received by the City Clerk's Office to hold the reservation. Fees will be changing for 2024, more info can be found at <a href="https://www.ci.evansville.wi.gov">www.ci.evansville.wi.gov</a> by clicking on "Reserve Park Space"

#### City Parks:

- Countryside Park on Water St.
- Franklin Park at the corner of E Main & S Union St.
- Peace Park on S Fourth St. near Church St.
- Brzezinski Park at the Corner of W Church & Crawford St.
- Wind Prairie Park between First and Second St at Old Hwy 92.
- Larson Acres Park (formerly West Side Park) accessed from Porter Rd and S Sixth St.

#### City Trails:

- Ice Age Trail from Leonard-Leota Park, through downtown, to Wind Prairie Park
- Allen Creek Trail along Allen Creek between E Church and E Main Streets
- Westfield Meadows Trail from Porter Rd to S Sixth Street
- Wind Prairie Trail in Wind Prairie Park between S first and S Second Streets

# **2024 Animal Licenses**

According to State Statute and City of Evansville Ordinance 2015-01, all dogs, cats and exotic animals must be licensed annually. 2024 licenses are available after December 16, 2023. Licenses can be applied for at the City Clerk's Office. A current rabies certificate from your Veterinarian is required when applying for the license. Fees are as follows:

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Unaltered Animals
Spayed or Neutered
Exotic Animals
Licensed Boarder

\* Late fee applied after March 31st.

Per City Ordinance, a fine may be imposed by the Police Department

\$15.00

\$ 8.00

\$ 8.00

\$75.00

if an unlicensed animal is picked-up and held at our local pound. Be sure to take your licensed animal to our Dog Park located at 535 S Madison Street!

# The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Program

The City of Evansville contracts with MSA Professional Services for a housing program that offers 0% interest deferred payment loans to income eligible households for repairs (accessibility, electric, HVAC, plumbing, heating, etc.) More info here: www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/housing or Contact Susan Maier 1-800-552-6330

## **Evansville Police Department**

10 W Church St

Administration: (608) 882-2292 Non-Emergency: (608) 757-2244

#### Motor Vehicle Registration and Licensing

Vehicle title, registration and/or registration renewal services for walk-in customers. Plates or stickers are given to the customer upon completion of the transaction. Titles are printed and mailed from the WI Dept. of Transportation. These services are available during office hours. Office hours adjust according to staffing levels but are typically Monday – Friday from 7:00am – 5:00pm.

#### **Prescription Drug Drop-Off**

A permanent drop-off box to provide citizens of Rock County with an easy, secure, and responsible way to dispose of unused, unwanted, and expired prescription drugs is available 24/7 at the entrance to the police department. Sharps, liquids, and needles are prohibited.

#### **Vacation Watch**

Citizens of Evansville may request a security check be conducted of their residence while they are away on vacation. A form can be obtained at the Evansville Police Department or on the city's website to request this service. For more information visit the city's website of follow the police department on Facebook.

# **Winter Parking Restrictions**

Common Council eliminated the hassle of daily alternate side parking last year, implemented a snow emergency ordinance. More information available at: www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/snow

#### How will this affect you?

During a declared snow emergency all vehicles must be removed off the roadways or face a fine of \$100 plus removal of the vehicle by a towing company at the vehicle owner's expense

# <u>How will you know when a snow emergency is</u> declared?

The Municipal Services Department will put out a press release in advance of the snow emergency. The press release will be posted on the City Website, Facebook, and sent to local media outlets.

# Where do you park during a snow emergency if you don't have a driveway?

The ordinance allows for you to park in any city municipal parking lot without a required permit while a snow emergency is declared. City municipal lots are accessed from Maple St, Montgomery Ct, and W Church St

#### When can I park my vehicle back on the street?

Vehicles can be parked back on the street after the declaration expires.

# Emergency Medical Services 11 W Church St | 882-2269

The City of Evansville-EMS has two (2) ambulances that are prepared to provide services that are requested by citizens or those passing through our area. Currently, Evansville EMS is staffed by 15 volunteers.

**Do you have interest in volunteering?** EMS is preparing to provide advanced support services in 2024 and is always looking for more volunteers to join the growing team: www.evansvillewi.gov/hr

# Eager Free Public Library 39 W Main St | 882-2260

Public library service began in Evansville in 1899, and the Eager Free Public Library at West Main and First Street has been open since 1908. The Library opens doors for curious minds by encouraging literacy, inspiring learning, and connecting people.

For more information on the library's services and programs, visit <a href="www.eagerfreelibrary.org">www.eagerfreelibrary.org</a> or follow the library on Facebook.

# Maple Hill Cemetery

#### Important Dates: Removal of Winter Décor – April 15<sup>th</sup> 2024 Removal of Summer Décor – November 11<sup>th</sup> 2024

Maple Hill Cemetery currently covers 32 acres, with future expansion of 16 acres on the south side. At present, there are approximately 15,000 burials on record. The cemetery Sexton is a Municipal Services Department employee and all records pertaining to the cemetery are maintained by the City Clerk at City Hall. For information pertaining to cemetery sales and records please contact the City Clerk.

# 2024 Elections



Spring PrimaryTuesday February 20th, 2024 (If needed)Spring ElectionTuesday, April 2, 2024Primary ElectionTuesday, August 13, 2024General ElectionTuesday, November 5, 2024

Photo ID is required to receive a ballot in all special and regular elections.

For more information visit www.bringit.wi.gov.

\*Check your voter registration information at myvote.wi.gov.