

FALL LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Leaf collection this year will again be accomplished by baling of the leaves/pine needles that are placed in the street. The City will be contracting with a custom baler to collect the leaves/pine needles. Baled leaves will then be hauled away by the Public Works Dept.

Leaf collection will begin on October 29th. Residents who want their leaves picked up must have them raked into the gutter or onto the street by 7:00am on October 29th. Public Works staff will not rake leaves out of ditches or off the curb for pickup. For the equipment to do the best job of leaf collection rake leaves away from the curb approximately 1-2 feet. Leaves that are on the street will be picked up. Baling operations are scheduled to be completed in 2 days. The City's street sweeper will clean up any remaining leaves after baling is finished. Please keep in mind that street sweeping is a slower process, so it may be a couple of days after baling before the streets are swept.

Leaf collection will only be done once. Do not place any leaves on the street after the collection equipment has passed. Any leaves remaining after the collection equipment has passed can be disposed of at the yard waste site on Fremont St.

DO NOT deposit rocks, sticks, brush or garden waste in the leaf piles as these items will damage the leaf collection equipment. Any leaf piles found that contain these materials will not be picked up.

Leaves and other yard waste may also be disposed of at the Yard Waste site on Fremont Street. Residents are reminded that brush is <u>NOT ALLOWED</u> at the yard waste site. Brush will not be picked up for persons clearing lots. Brush is picked up the week of the third Monday of each month. If you deposit brush, stumps, trees or other unacceptable garbage at the yard waste site you will be subject to fines. If you have brush for disposal call the Public Works Dept. at 715-693-3840 and leave your name and address.

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Dear Mosinee Resident:

I hope this letter finds you well. It has been an exciting month at the City of Mosinee. During our regular September meeting, the City Council approved, and I have signed, a development agreement with AROW Global Corporation. AROW Global is one of our longstanding manufacturing businesses in the Central Wisconsin Business Park. As part of the development agreement, AROW has committed to a 30,000 square foot expansion of manufacturing operations in the next five years and a 14,500 square foot expansion of its offices, which it will be breaking ground on this fall. We anticipate that these expansions alone will generate nearly \$30,000 in new property tax revenue annually and offer more great manufacturing job opportunities right here in our community. To accommodate this expansion, the City has committed the land and to moving an existing storm sewer.

In addition to serving as Mayor, I am in my second year serving as Chairperson of the Mosinee Fire District. With budget workshops just around the corner at the City, the Fire District aims to complete its budget work by this time so its member towns and the City know what their financial commitments to the district will be. We all work hard through this process to both accommodate the public safety and other needs of the fire department while keeping the impact on our taxpayers as small as possible. I am happy to report that for the second consecutive year, the City's overall assessment for fire and EMS services will decrease.

At the same time, we were able to address several items of capital at the fire department. One of the items we addressed last year was the purchase of a new ambulance. Our ambulance fleet of 3 included one 20+ year old ambulance and one with many miles. We have slimmed our fleet to 2, selling the older ambulance and scheduling the heavy miles ambulance for replacement with the new purchase. By combining bonding with other bond issues at the City, we were able to achieve a lower interest rate on the financing for the ambulance than originally anticipated. We have also decided to address our brush truck, which is badly in need of replacement by outfitting an existing truck used as a chase vehicle and acquiring a more efficient, used chase vehicle.

As mentioned above, our budget workshops are underway at the City. Like the fire department, the City has many things to stay on top of from public works, to public safety, to streets, to utilities and more. From the capital side we have worked hard over the last several years to address several million dollars of street repairs doing as much as we could with the money available. Those needs were addressed with cash on hand where available and with borrowing in other cases. I have met with our public works director to discuss our five year street plan, staffing and equipment needs and we will certainly continue to do whatever we can. I have also met with our police chief to discuss public safety needs. Over the long term, we have discussed the possibility of adding another officer position to increase patrol time.

It is always my top goal to keep your property taxes low, and that is precisely what we will all endeavor to do heading into the budget process this year. Behind property taxes, several forms of state aid help us keep the City funded. When those decrease, it is harder to avoid property tax increases. Our general state aid has decreased over \$120,000 since 2003. Additionally, because of inaction by the Department of Revenue, we have been told that the City will be shorted over \$40,000 in other state aid this year. I have asked Senator Petrowski for assistance but have been told that nothing will be done prior to our tax levy in December. Therefore, I will be discussing other options with the Council to recover the lost aid this year.

Our budget is preliminarily set to be passed on November 20th. For those interested in discussing City finances in greater detail, I will always make myself to available to you to do so.

Mayor Jacobson

Wisconsin Recycles



The following items are banned from landfills and incinerators statewide and should be reused, recycled or composted.

Containers

- #1 and #2 plastic bottles and jars
- Aluminum containers
- Bi-metal cans
- Glass containers
- Steel (tin) cans

Paper and Cardboard

- Corrugated cardboard
- Magazines, catalogs, and other materials on similar paper
- Newspaper and newsprint materials
- Office paper

Yard Materials

- Grass clippings
- Debris and brush under 6" in diameter
- Leaves

Vehicle Items

- Lead-acid vehicle batteries
- Tires *
- Used oil filters
- Waste oils *

Appliances

- Air conditioners
- Boilers
- Clothes dryers
- Clothes washers
- Dehumidifiers
- Dishwashers
- Freezers
- Furnaces
- Microwaves
- Ovens
- Refrigerators
- Stoves
- Water heaters

Electronics

- Cell phones
- Computers desktop, laptop, netbook, tablet
- Computer monitors
- Computer keyboards and
- Computer scanners
- Computer speakers
- Desktop printers (including those that fax and scan)
- DVD players, VCRs, DVRs and all other video players
- External hard drives
- Fax machines
- Flash drives/USBs
- Other items that plug into a computer
- Televisions

Why ban items from the landfill and incinerator?

The items on this list are made of materials that can be reused in new products. Some also have toxic components that we do not want in our groundwater, air or soil. Recycling and composting allow landfills to last longer, provide markets with valuable reusable materials, create jobs, and prevent pollution.

Why not ban more materials?

Corrugated cardboard is banned while waxed cardboard is not. Some things with plugs, like computers, are banned, while others, like toasters, are not. Why? Current bans cover some of the most easily reusable or most toxic materials on the market today. Eventually more items may be added to this list as new recycling markets develop or the types of materials we throw away change.

Some communities go above and beyond what is required by state law. Check with your local government or recycling service provider to find out what additional materials are accepted for recycling in your area. For more information about Wisconsin's recycling program, search "recycle" at dnr.wi.gov. Wisconsin's recycling requirements apply to everyone in the state at all residences and places of work or play.



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^{*}These items may be burned in a solid waste treatment facililty with energy recovery.



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RECYCLING GUIDE FOR RESIDENTS

All recycling items may be placed in one container. Increase your recycling by using one large container or cart and check this chart before you throw your waste into the garbage. You can most likely recycle a lot of the items that you are currently throwing away.

You can do it!

Recycling is easy and it saves the City landfill charges!



Single-Stream Recycling¹



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING LOCATIONS IN MARATHON COUNTY:

Advanced Disposal - Schofield - 5509 Fuller Street - Schofield - 715-359-6637 Goodwill - Weston - 2713 Schofield Avenue - Schofield - 715-355-6086 Goodwill - Rib Mountain - 1100 Morning Glory Lane - Wausau - 715-355-9452 Best Buy - 3800 Rib Mountain Drive - Wausau - 888-237-8289 Office Depot - 3908 Rib Mountain Drive - Wausau - 715-359-9961