

# NOVEMBER CITY UPDATE



## **2022 Polling Place Changes & Introduction of Badger Books**

Effective in 2022, the City of Two Rivers will be reducing the number of polling locations from 4 to 2. The two polling locations will be:

1. Wards 1-5: St. Peter the Fisherman Parish Center, 3201 Mishicot Road
2. Wards 6-8: Abundant Life Church, 1969 Roosevelt Avenue

***This is a permanent change that will reduce costs and streamline the election process before, during, and after Election Day.***

These two locations were selected based on their handicap accessibility, ample parking areas, and location within the ward boundaries. There will no longer be any Election Day voting at Grace Church, City Hall, or the Community House. *\*In person absentee voting prior to Election Day will still only take place at City Hall.*

To better accommodate an increased number of voters at the two locations, the City will also be implementing an electronic pollbook system called Badger Books (used by pollworkers to check in voters at the polls).

### **BADGER BOOK FAQ'S:**

#### **What are the benefits of Badger Books?**

- Quicker voter check-ins and registrations
- More efficient absentee ballot processing
- Improved polling place flow
- Improved data quality
- Consolidation of polling places
- Fewer election inspectors needed
- Streamline post-election data entry and reconciliation
- Voters will be able to view their election participation sooner in MyVote.



More information regarding these changes can be found on the City's website, [www.two-rivers.org](http://www.two-rivers.org). Questions can be directed to the City Clerk, Jamie Jackson, at 920-793-5526 or [jamiac@two-rivers.org](mailto:jamiac@two-rivers.org).

## **NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF TWO RIVERS MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

The electric consumption used for residential purposes is exempt from State Sales tax during the months of November through April per Wisconsin Statute 77.54. It is possible that some of the electric consumption of our commercial or large power customers is being used for residential purposes and would be exempt from the sales tax. If you are presently paying the commercial or large power rate and feel that some of that consumption is used for residential purposes and would like more information on how to file an exempt certificate, please contact the Customer Service Office at 920-793-5546.

Please note that it is not necessary to call if you are already paying the residential rate because we give the exempt status to all residential customers during the period allowed by law.

## Calendar of Events:

November – December 2021

### Main Street Hometown Holiday Parade

Saturday, November 27, 5:30 p.m.

### Two Rivers City Council Regular Meetings

November 1 & 15, December 6 & 20, 6:00 p.m.

### Holidays – City Offices Closed

Thanksgiving- November 25 & 26

Christmas – December 23 & 24

New Year's – December 31

## ❄️ Winter Weather is Coming! ❄️

Did you know....

It is the responsibility of the property owner to keep sidewalks clear of snow and ice. Two Rivers Municipal Code 4.1.6 states the "The owner of every building, lot or part of a lot within the City fronting upon a public sidewalk shall remove or cause to be removed all snow and ice from such sidewalk within 24 hours from the time when the snow ceases to fall."

Assistance may be available for seniors and those with disabilities who need help with snow/ice removal. Please call the Senior Center 920-793-5596.

## Lester Public Library



**Sign up for the Fall Reading Challenge** - all ages, read books and earn prizes! Access the challenge online, give us a call, or stop by the help desk today.

**Visit the library's dramatic play center in youth services.** Our fall theme: Farmers Market! Kids can pretend to drive the truck to deliver goods, be the sellers of vegetables conducting transactions at the market stall, or the customers deciding what to buy. The truck and stall are accompanied by colorful autumn artwork and even a kid-sized corn maze!

**Don't forget the library is open** - hours are Monday - Thursday 10 am to 8 pm, Friday 10 am to 5:30 pm, and Saturday 10 am to 2 pm.

## Did you know a leaking toilet can cause your utility bill to increase?

If your toilet runs for a long time after or suffers from an occasional "phantom" flush, you may have a leaking toilet. Follow these tips to find and stop toilet leaks. If you are unsure about your ability to perform any of these tasks, please contact a licensed plumber.

**"Phantom" flushing can happen when there is a worn rubber flapper, or an improperly adjusted flapper chain can cause the problem.**

1. Conduct a simple dye test to see if water is seeping from the tank (***Dye tablets available at Customer Service counter at City Hall- 1717 E. Park St).***
2. Place dye tablets or coloring agent in the toilet tank.
3. The tank water will change color, while the toilet bowl water should be clear.
4. Wait 10 minutes, if any coloration appears in the bowl, then you have a leaking flapper valve.



### Continuous Trickling

A trickling sound is a good indication water is running over the top of the overflow tube inside the tank. You can follow these steps to help fix the issue.

1. Remove the toilet tank lid to look for obvious problems with the flushing process.
2. Check to see if the refill water level is set properly & does not rise over the top of the overflow tube.
3. To lower the water level, adjust the float lower.
4. On a bulb-on-arm style toilet, adjust the screw near where the flow arm attaches to the float valve.
5. On newer valve and float units, adjust the float by moving the float downward on the vertical rod.
6. If the toilet continues to run, even with the float adjusted you should replace the refill valve with a new unit from your local hardware store or contact a licensed plumber for help.