



**TWO
RIVERS**
WISCONSIN



City Manager's Report, Council Meeting of April 3, 2023

9. City Manager's Report

B. Status Update/Reports

1. Spring Election, Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM, to find your polling place go to myvote.wi.gov or call City Clerk's Office at 920-793-5526



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- 2. Staffing Updates

Ongoing Recruitments:

- Fire Chief – Applications are being reviewed by the Police and Fire Commission
- Tourism Media & Marketing Coordinator – conducting interviews
- Temporary Public Works Maintenance Worker—current recruitment
- Police Officer—reviewing applications (Applications were due 3/31)
- Temporary Parks Maintenance Worker—current recruitment



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3. Congratulations to Utilities Administrative Assistant Gina Sampe on Completion of Municipal Electric Utilities of Wisconsin Management Training Program



Gina, Utility Administrative Assistant recently completed her MEUW Management Training Program. She had attended a six session training including, Leadership & Team building, Planning & Risk Management, Utility Accounting & Finance, Personnel Matters, Customer Service & Public Relations, and Leading through Collaboration. She was presented her award this morning by MEUW Regional Safety Coordinator Patrick Murphy. Gina is now the fifth member of the Electric Department to complete this program. Congratulations Gina on your achievement!!



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- 4. Central Park West 365 Update



View from south end of park, showing grading work



Elevation of new pavilion building



Foundation for new pavilion building



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- 4. Central Park West 365 Update

ROTARY ANNUAL DINNER AND AUCTION BENEFITS CENTRAL PARK WEST 365 PROJECT

Two Rivers Rotary hosted its 21st annual fund-raising dinner at Sepia Chapel on Saturday, April 1. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Central Park West 365 Project.



Dr. Bob Gahl Presided Over the Benefit Auction at Sepia Chapel

Mike Mathis, Park & Recreation Director, addressed the gathering

City manager Greg Buckley was named a Paul Harris Fellow in recognition of service to the community –Presentation by Rotarian Betty Bittner



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5. Lincoln Street Reconstruction Project

Construction has begun!

- Construction signage went up last week along with removal of some trees
- Laying out temporary water services--current
- Breaking and removal of the northbound (east side) pavement—started today



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6. Harbor Design Deficiency Study by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



Far Left: Harbor dredging, 2016

Near Left: USACE Detroit District staff with one of two Doppler units placed on the channel bottom in 2017, to measure both wave heights and sediment movements as part of a Wave Mitigation Study funded jointly by the City and the USACE

A March 22 virtual meeting between City staff and planning staff from the USACE Chicago District Office confirmed that the Corps has a \$200,000 appropriation to undertake a “design deficiency analysis” of the federal harbor at Two Rivers, to determine whether design changes might alleviate longstanding problems with shoaling in the harbor channel and wave action coming down the channel and causing hazardous conditions with the inner portion of the harbor. A site visit by USACE Chicago staff is likely in May.



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7. Police Department Therapy Dog



The new addition will be joining the PD in mid-April and begin his/her training. The therapy dog will not only be an agency therapy dog for officers and victims but one that we hope to have visit community schools, retirement homes, participate in community activities, sit in with people during interviews, help calm people during or after crisis intervention, etc. The K-9 Therapy dog will have a primary home with an officer, but several other department members will be a part of the K9 team as additional handlers.

The TRPD therapy dog was donated in partnership with the WI Law Enforcement Death Response (LEDR) Team from a woman who wanted to give back to law enforcement and has donated several other therapy dogs to agencies around the state. As part of LEDR team, the dog will also respond to law enforcement deaths around the state. The therapy dog will be part of the TRPD's K9 program, which is funded entirely by donations.

The therapy dog will be a great addition to the Department's mission to make a positive impact through our strong partnership with the community it serves.



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8. Annual Utility Shut Off Moratorium
Ends on April 15



--Customers with past due balances can avoid disconnection of their utility service by making payments to clear the past due amounts or establish payment arrangements, if eligible.

--The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) provides bill pay assistance to help income-eligible residents with heating costs, electric costs, and energy crises. Residents may be eligible for crisis assistance even if they have already received a benefit from WHEAP. Call 1-866-432-8947 or visit homeenergyplus.wi.gov

--Customers with questions on their billing statement or wishing to make payment arrangements can call TRU Customer Service at (920) 793-5523 during business hours of 8:00am - 4:30pm.



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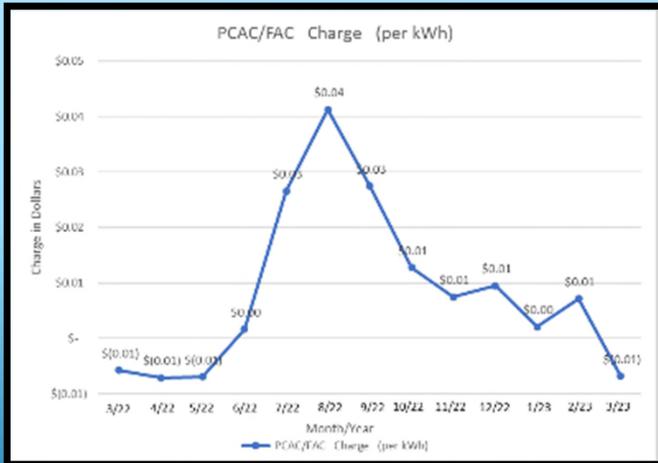
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9. Electric Power Cost Adjustment

Reducing Bills in March

Two Rivers Utility customers will notice a credit on their March monthly bills.

WPPI Energy's actual average power costs were 7.6% below budget for the March wholesale billing period. This was due in part to lower system purchase costs, less general costs and less need to purchase any additional WPPI load from others.



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Electric Residential Bill Comparison - Report Results

Comparison Criteria...
Utility ID: 5990
Utility Name: Two Rivers Water and Light Utility
Date Range: 3/1/2022 - 3/31/2023
Energy Usage: 600 kWh (Monthly)

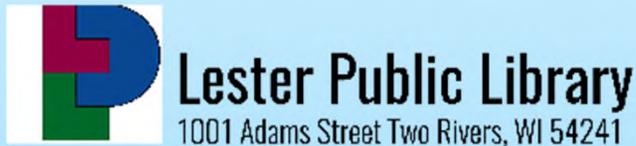
Utility ID	Utility Name	Bill Date	Monthly Customer Charge	Energy Charge (per kWh)	PCAC/FAC Charge (per kWh)	Total Bill
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	03/14/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	-0.005700	\$69.44
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	04/12/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	-0.007100	\$68.60
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	05/12/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	-0.006900	\$68.72
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	06/14/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	0.001700	\$73.88
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	07/11/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	0.026600	\$88.82
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	08/12/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	0.041300	\$97.64
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	09/13/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	0.027500	\$89.36
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	10/12/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	0.012800	\$80.54
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	11/09/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	0.007500	\$77.36
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	12/12/2022	\$11.00	0.103100	0.009500	\$78.56
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	01/16/2023	\$11.00	0.103100	0.002100	\$74.12
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	02/10/2023	\$11.00	0.103100	0.007200	\$77.18
5990	Two Rivers Water and Light Utility	03/13/2023	\$11.00	0.103100	-0.006800	\$68.78
Average for Two Rivers Water and Light Utility			\$11.00	0.103100	0.008438	\$77.92



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10. Check Out WI State Parks at Your Lester Public Library



Lester Public Library has been selected to participate in the “Check Out Wisconsin’s State Parks at Your Library” program based on several factors including community demographics.



This program is designed to introduce new users to the library system and to Wisconsin State Parks. This partnership project is provided at no cost and is made possible through efforts of the Wisconsin Association of Public Libraries, the Wisconsin State Park System at the Wisconsin DNR, Friends of Wisconsin State Parks, C.D. Besadny Conservation Fund grant from the Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin, and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

Participating libraries will receive approximately 20-40 daily park admission passes and state parks information and education kits in April to distribute to library card holders during the program. The program begins May 1st. Library staff is working out the program details for here in Two Rivers.



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11. Reminder: Grant Program to Assist Tree Planting on Private Properties

--11 applications received so far

PLANT A TREE, GET SOME GREEN

The City has expanded on the Shade Tree Program offered by the Two Rivers Electric Department & WPPI Energy! This new grant program encourages tree planting on private properties.

Property owners can qualify for grants to cover up to 2/3 of the cost of a new tree (max. grant \$100 per tree) up to three trees.

There is a \$10,000 budget for this program; funding is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. You must apply to get pre-qualified by May 1.

Questions? Call the Electric Department at 920-793-5550 or Customer Service at 920-793-5523.



Shade Tree Program Requirements

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:
To receive your rebate, the following requirements must be met:

- Each tree planted qualifies for a rebate equal to two-thirds of its documented purchase cost, up to a maximum of \$100 per tree, and a maximum of three (3) trees per property owner.
- Applicant must be the owner of the property where the tree is planted, in the City of Two Rivers.
- Trees must be planted on the property cited in the initial application.
- Applicant must contact Diggers Hotline in advance of tree planting and must not plant tree until all utilities have been marked.

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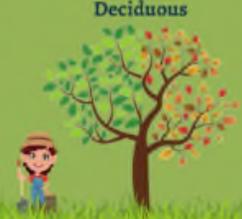
- Must be deciduous. Evergreens are not eligible.
- Must be nursery grade stock.
- Must be of a variety that attains a height of at least 25-feet when mature.
- When purchased must be at least 1.25 inches caliper (trunk diameter as measured 6-12 inches above the soil surface).
- Must be planted on the south or west side of the primary structure, or in a location that provides significant shade for an air conditioner.
- Must be located away from underground and overhead utility lines.

Dial 811
Diggers Hotline



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.

Deciduous



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12. Reminder: Pilot Program for Front Yard Produce Gardens

FRONT YARD VEGETABLE
GARDENING PROGRAM 2023



Questions?
Call 920-793-5539
www.two-rivers.org



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Pilot Program authorized by City Council on March 20.

Participation capped at 20 properties.

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- a. Annual Fundraiser Spring Tree & Shrub Sale, Tuesday, March 21, 2023 to Friday, April 28, 2023, Van der Brohe Arboretum, order online vanderbrohearboretum.org



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Spring Tree & Shrub Sale
Annual Fundraiser • Shop Now!



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b. Green Infrastructure Design & Implementation, Presented by the Two Rivers Environmental Advisory Board, Thursday, April 6, 6:00 PM, Lester Public Library. Featuring Jim Knickelbine, executive director of Woodland Dunes Nature Center & Preserve



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c. 11th Annual Two Rivers Fire Department Fish Boil, Friday, April 7, 3:00 – 7:00 PM, 2122 Monroe Street

Sponsored by Two Rivers Firefighters Local 423



***City of Two Rivers Fire Department
11th Annual***

Fish Boil

Sponsored by:

Two Rivers Firefighters Local 423

April 7th, 2023 ▪ 3:00 - 7:00pm

Two Rivers Fire Station ▪ 2122 Monroe Street

Dine-in and To-Go orders available

Front lobby, 22nd Street

Tickets

Adults \$15 - Cod, Carrots, Potatoes, Onions, Bread, Butter

Kids Meal \$6 - Smaller portion or Hotdog and Chips

Beverages and Deserts Available

Tickets available at: The Fire Station, The Event, ONLINE!



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d. Breakfast With the Easter Bunny, Community House, Saturday, April 8

e. Optimist Club Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 8, 11:00 AM, Neshotah Park



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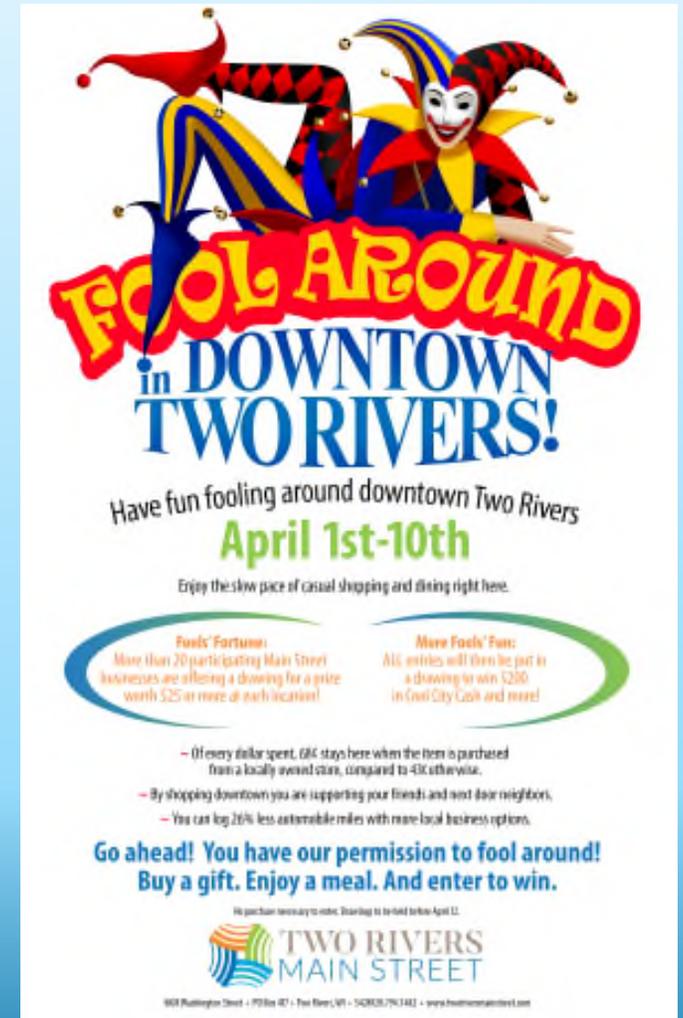
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Main Street Fool Around Downtown

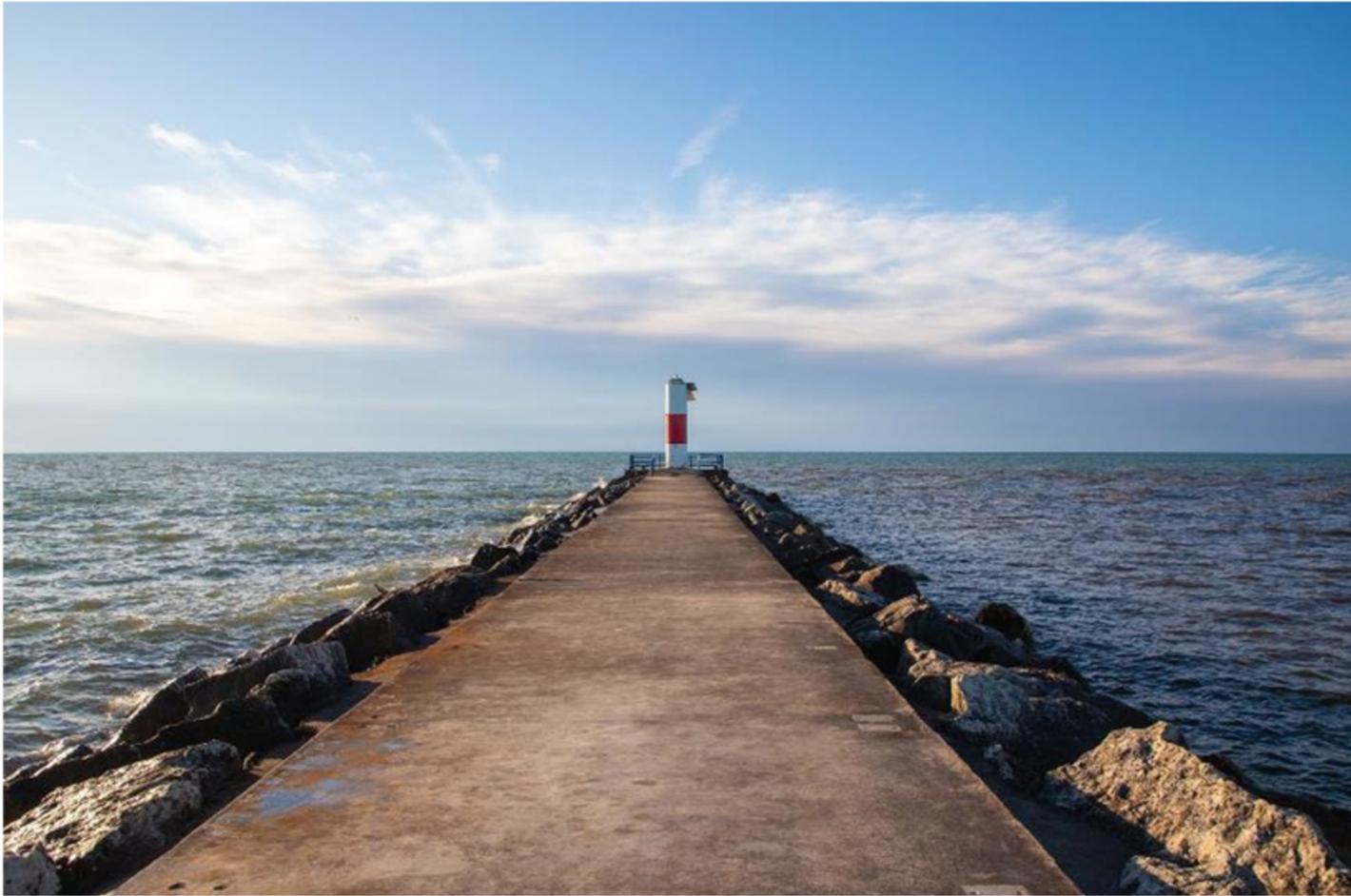
Saturday, April 1, 2023 to Monday, April 10, 2023

Earn chances at prizes including \$200 in Cool City Cash by visiting downtown businesses April 1-10!

To find events in Two Rivers --



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