



JULY 2022 CITY UPDATE

Want to Know About Community Events? [ExploreTwoRivers.com](https://www.exploretworivers.com)



It's Summertime, and Two Rivers' warm weather events are in full swing. Festivals, concerts in the park, bands on the beach—if it's happening in Two Rivers, your best single source for information is on-line at www.exploretworivers.com.

Fund-Raising for Central Park West 365 Project Continues



The City plans to seek bids on this \$1.6 million re-do of Central Park West later this Summer.

We are approaching 75 percent of our fund-raising goal of \$800,000, but still need help to make it “over the top.”

Please consider a donation a donation in support of this impactful community project. Go to www.two-rivers.org for more information.

Reminder: Rules for Storage/Placement of Refuse & Recyclables

This Summer, City will be stepping up enforcement of its Solid Waste Ordinance, relative to storing refuse (AKA trash, garbage) and recyclables on your property and placing such materials for collection. Here are a few key requirements to keep in mind:

- It is a violation to let refuse accumulate on your property. Any quantity more than 32 gallons must be disposed of within a week.
- Refuse cannot be stored outside in bags, except when placed at curbside for collection. Refuse stored on your property must be in rigid plastic or metal trash cans.
- If stored outside on your property, refuse and recyclables containers must be kept as far as possible out of public view. They may not be kept in the front yard or a street side yard (in the case of corner lots) unless authorized by the Public Works Director.
- Refuse and recycling containers are allowed at curbside from noon on the day before your neighborhood's collection day until noon on the day after.

What If My Regular Trash/Recyclable Pickup Falls on a Holiday?

Generally, if your pickup day falls on a holiday, then it moves to the very next business day (Monday through Friday). For example, July 4 this year falls on a Monday, so Monday's route will be serviced on Tuesday, July 5, in addition to the normal Tuesday route.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SHOULD THE CITY ALLOW THE USE OF ATV'S AND UTV'S ON CITY STREETS?

WHEN: MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022

**WHERE: CITY HALL, 1717 E. PARK STREET,
TWO RIVERS, WI 54241**

3RD FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TIME: 6:00 PM DURING REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Individuals present at the meeting will be allowed up to 3 minutes to voice their opinions.

Written comments ahead of the meeting can be submitted to the City Clerk via email at jjackson@two-rivers.org or by mail to: City Clerk, PO Box 87, Two Rivers, WI 54241



See enclosed "ATV/UTV Fact Sheet." Information is also posted on the City's website, www.two-rivers.org under "ATV/UTV HEARING."

Have a question on this topic? Send your question to the City Clerk as noted above. You will receive a reply, and City staff will do its best to post answers to all questions presented in advance of the hearing, under a "Q & A" section on the website announcement pertaining to ATVs and UTV's.



CITY OF TWO RIVERS

ATV/UTV FACT SHEET



What is an ATV?

All-terrain vehicle — is defined by state statute (Section 23.33) and is representative of the adjacent pictures. Generally, an ATV has 3 or more wheels and is equipped with a seat that is straddled by the rider. ATV's Weigh 900 pounds or less.



What is an UTV?

Utility terrain vehicle — is also defined by statute and common variations of a UTV are shown here. Generally, a UTV has 4 or more wheels and is designed to carry passengers in addition to the driver. UTV's can weigh up to 3,000 pounds.



ATV/UTV USE ON PUBLIC STREETS

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

- ATVs/UTVs are only permitted on city streets if allowed by ordinance. The City of Two Rivers currently does not allow the use of ATVs/UTVs on streets within the City.
- UTVs can be allowed or restricted on designated ATV routes, but if the City allows UTV's on any street, it MUST also allow ATV's. CITY CANNOT allow only UTVs on streets.
- Local Ordinances cannot be more restrictive than WI State Statute relating to operation and penalties for ATV/UTVs [WI Statutes 23.33(11)(am)]

COMPARED TO GOLF CARTS

- Golf carts can be allowed on both County Hwy's & State Hwy's without special DOT permission
- Golf carts are more neighborhood friendly –quiet, slow moving
- **ATVs/UTVs have the ability to operate at far higher speeds than golf carts.** Most ATVs/UTVs can travel as fast as 65-70 MPH
- Golf carts governed under the motor vehicle statutes (Chapter 346 Rules of Roadway) and are subject to the SAME penalties as a motor vehicle
- ATV's/UTV's are governed under DNR Regulations (Chapter 23)
 - ATV/UTV OWI: \$500-600 forfeiture, no 2nd or subsequent OWI violations apply to other vehicle types (e.g. Boats-ATV-Car)
 - UTV/ATV OWI's do NOT count towards other motor vehicle OWI's
 - Open intoxicants ARE allowed on an ATV/UTV
 - No driver's license required if born after 1988-safety certificate (2 hr. online course)

OTHER FACTS

- ATV/UTV use on public streets is allowed by State Statute under these circumstances only:
 - Farm use
 - Snow removal within 2 miles of residence only
 - Police/Fire/City maintenance exemption on roadways
 - By ordinance created by a city, town or village in strict conformity with statute
- Majority of ATV/UTV fatalities are on roadways (paved surfaces)
- Manitowoc County has not given permission for operation on any County Highways
 - Approx. 2/3 of Manitowoc County allows ATV/UTV on Township roads only
 - No authorization has been given to operate on County or State Highways.
 - No ATV/UTV routes or trails connect to the City of Two Rivers
 - ATVs/UTVs not allowed in Point Beach State Park
- Motor vehicles always have right of way – UTV/ATV generally at fault in accidents
- State law doesn't require helmets 18+
- Seatbelt laws: Not applicable to ATV - Seatbelts required for passengers only on UTV
- Persons with suspended, revoked or no WI Driver's License can operate an ATV/UTV
- State Statute allows ATV/UTV emitting sound levels of up to 96 decibels; the standard stationary noise limits in Two Rivers are:
 - 60 decibels DAYTIME - 50 decibels NIGHTTIME (after 10PM)
 - 70 decibels ALL TIMES for industrial/business districts
- State doesn't require insurance for UTV's/ATV's
- **There is no mandatory reporting for NON-injury accidents for UTV's/ATV's – as a result,** accident data is greatly under-reported
- Signage needed for ATV/UTV roads-trails per guidelines by DNR – Often paid for by local ATV clubs
- Manufacturer warnings against operation on roadways due to: soft tires, tire tread, rear differential lock, seating, high center balance vs golf carts
- Two Rivers Police Officers are neither trained nor experienced in enforcing DNR regulations