

Village of Spencer

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Fall 2021

UPDATE ON VILLAGE PROJECTS

The Village is concluding a very busy summer in terms of projects. The Village was able to repave a section of Elm and Oak Streets. Aspen and Apple Streets received a one and a half inch thin overlay of pavement to help maintain the condition of these streets. The crew rebuilt several manholes and catch basins throughout the Village.

Our search for a new well over the past several years has finally panned out. We found a potential site that can produce up to 300 gallons of water per minute. The next step is to test treatment systems to ensure that we can provide quality water from that well. This testing should occur this fall. While we are still in the testing process with the well, things are looking promising.



Finally, the Graupner III Subdivision is almost complete and several lots have been sold. Construction has started on one duplex that is being developed for senior housing. At least four more single family houses will be going up next year.

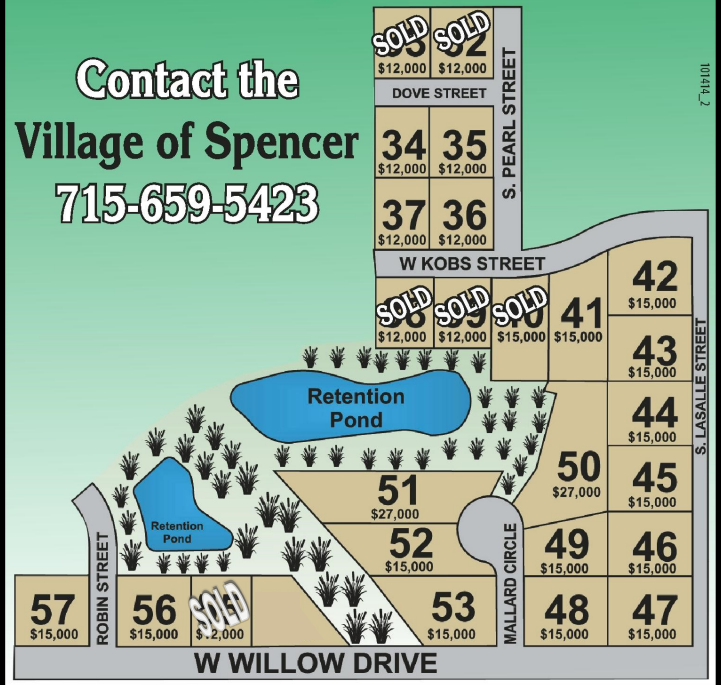


Graupner III Subdivision

A New Beginning

Single Family and Multi-Family
Lots for Sale
Below Fair Market Value
Starting at \$12,000

Contact the
Village of Spencer
715-659-5423



SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Spencer Beautification - Are you interested in helping with improving the curb appeal of Spencer? This is a volunteer committee. It could involve identifying areas needing attention, planting, weeding, painting, and/or other projects as identified. Please notify the Village Office if you are interested.

Helping Others - Occasionally we receive a call where someone needs help. Would you be willing to be a good neighbor and help out with mowing, weed whacking, snow removal, trees and branches, etc.? Please let the Village Office know if you could be contacted.

Ice Rink - Plans are underway to get the ice rink up and useable early this season. This is a community funded, volunteer project. Donations can be made to the Village of Spencer and noted for the ice rink. If you are willing to be involved with the set-up or up-keep of the rink, please notify the Village Office.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

VETERANS MEMORIAL BRICK REVEAL CEREMONY & MEMORIAL BELL PRESENTATION

Saturday, October 16th - 10am

The 2021 brick reveal ceremony will be held on Saturday, October 16th beginning at 10am at the Veterans Memorial Park in Spencer. Bricks that were purchased since last fall will be revealed. The park is on the corner of Highways 13 and 98.

In addition, there will be a Memorial Bell presentation which will include recognition of donors with a special plaque that will be part of the park.



KEEP WATER READ BUTTONS CLEAR

Somewhere, on your house, you will find a button that looks like this. Please remember to keep a clear path to this button for the meter reader. Snow should be cleared to allow easy access also. If a fence, porch or other item causes access to be a problem, contact the Village Office to discuss options to move your button.



LEAF PICK-UP

Leaf pick-up will be done by Whirlwind this year. They will routinely swing around and vacuum up the leaves that are left curbside. As you have leaves, place them on the edge of your lawn. Do not put them in the gutters as they clog up the storm sewer drains.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

First of all, I would like to thank Pauline Frome for her 18 years of dedicated service to the Village of Spencer. As the Village President, she lead by example. I hope I can reach that bar.

As President, I am working with some great people, with each one bringing their own unique qualities and experiences to the table.

“Small Town With a Future” says it all. New businesses are sprouting up in the village and some are getting a new face lift. Lots are being sold in the new Graupner III Subdivision. Slow, but surely, good things are starting to happen.

Spencer is a great community to live in where it seems everyone knows your name. Working together, we can all make it even better.



Harry Toufar

A friendly small town with a future

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL CODE 418-10

The owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot which fronts any sidewalk shall keep said sidewalk clear of all snow and ice...sidewalks shall be cleared of all accumulated snow and/or ice within 36 hours if your lot is located in a commercial or institutional zoning district and 72 hours if your lot is in a residential district from the time the snow ceases to accumulate on said sidewalk. Sidewalks are to be kept clear of snow and ice to a minimum of four feet in width. In the event that ice has formed on any sidewalk in such a manner that it cannot be removed, the owner, occupant or person in charge of the parcel or lot...shall keep the sidewalk sprinkled with sand and/or salt to permit safe travel by pedestrians...



Failure to comply with the above requirements will cause the Village to clean any walk, without prior notice, that is not cleared and bill the responsible landowner.

WINTER PARKING - CODE 451-23

No person shall park any vehicle on any street in the Village of Spencer between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. during the period from November 1 through April 1.

See www.spencerwi.org - Ordinance Book for these ordinances and others.

ELECTION INSPECTORS WANTED

Every election requires staffing from the Village's Election Inspectors. Every time you vote, you have an opportunity to see these inspectors in action. These people are on the front line making sure that Wisconsin Election Laws are followed and that each eligible voter can legally cast their ballot. During elections with smaller turn outs, we staff with three to five and during larger elections we staff with seven. The Village is looking for more inspectors for the 3 or 4 elections that we will be having in 2022. This is a paid position and the Village will train. If you are interested, please contact Paul at the Village Office at 715-659-5423 for more information.



GRASS AND OTHER ITEMS IN STREETS

Blowing lawn clippings into the street is against our Village Ordinances. Grass clippings blown into the street end up in catch basins reducing the ability for storm water to properly flow. This can increase yard flooding, since yard drains also connect to the system. Once grass clippings enter into our storm water system, they can cause storm water backups that can cause damage to your property. Please be mindful when you mow to prevent grass from getting into the street.



As mentioned in the Leaf Pick-Up article, leaves need to be left on the edge of your lawn, not in the street, for the same reasons as stated above.

NO WIPES DOWN THE PIPES!

**EVEN IF A PRODUCT SAYS IT IS
“FLUSHABLE” IT IS NOT.**

**UNLESS IT IS TOILET PAPER, IT
SHOULD NOT BE FLUSHED!**

Do not flush diapers, disposable wipes, paper towels, feminine hygiene products, and facial tissues.

Putting these items down toilets may plug sewers and cause raw sewage to back up into YOUR HOME.

VILLAGE OF SPENCER TRICK-OR-TREAT



Trick-or-Treating in the Village of Spencer will be on Sunday, October 31st from 1-4 p.m.

VILLAGE OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS AND GARBAGE PICK-UP

The Village Office will be closed November 25th and 26th, December 23rd, 24th, and 31st for the holidays. **December 30th will be the last day in 2021 to pay taxes in the office.**

Garbage pick-up will be on Saturday, November 27th. All other pickups will be on Friday as scheduled.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

DOG ORDINANCES

Remember to get your dog(s) licensed! Dog Licenses are due annually and valid January - December. Bring your rabies vaccination certificate to the Village Office. The charge is \$5 for dogs that are spayed or neutered or \$10 if they are not. **THIS IS A STATE LAW!!**

Ordinance 172-13 Section C Limitation on number of dogs and cats.

- (1) No family shall own, harbor or keep in its possession more than two dogs and two cats in any residential unit without the prior approval of the Village Board, except that a litter of pups or kittens or a portion of a litter may be kept for not more than twelve weeks from birth.
- (2) The above requirement may be waived with the approval of the Village Board when a kennel license has been issued by the Village pursuant to §172-3B. Such application for waiver shall first be made to the Village Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer. If the Board approves an exception to this chapter, the petitioner will pay an extra fee of \$50 per license for each dog, each year they exceed this chapter.



In case of a new resident moving to the Village who has more than two dogs, the new resident must apply for a permit to allow a third dog. The number of dogs will be reduced to the two allowed by ordinance once the 3rd dog is no longer in the house. For more information, contact the Village Office.

Ordinance 172-5 Section E Restrictions on keeping of dogs, cats, fowl and other animals.

Keeping of dogs. All parties who own, keep, or harbor dogs within the Village of Spencer must be in full compliance with the following conditions:

Containment. All dogs must be securely confined indoors or contained either by chaining or fencing.

No dog may be kept on a porch or patio or in any part of a house or structure that would allow the dog to exit such building on its own violation.

All pens or kennels shall comply with zoning, building and health regulations of the Village.

No person shall permit a dog to go outside its yard, kennel or pen unless the dog is securely leashed with a leash no longer than six feet in length when walking the dog on a sidewalk or street.

Any dog that has had a previous incident of animal or human attack must be muzzled when taken on a sidewalk or street. See www.spencerwi.org (ordinances) for more.

Village of Spencer
PO Box 360
Spencer, WI 54479

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U.S. POSTAGE
PERMIT #3
SPENCER, WI 54479

You can pay your water bill besides mail or stopping in...

Automatic Payments with no additional fee (contact the Village Office for a form to fill out or find it on spencerwi.org) OR

Go to www.spencerwi.org and click on the "online payment" tab -PSN (3rd Party)

OR

You can also drop payments in the Payment Drop box located next to the Library Drop box.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SPENCER

- 1st Tuesday monthly - 7pm - Spencer American Legion - Meeting Room
- 1st Thursday monthly - **Wed., October 6th** (Change) - 6:30pm - Spencer Woman's Club - Mtg Room
- 2nd Monday each month - October 11th, November 8th, December 13th - 6:30 pm - Village Board Meeting
- 4th Tuesday monthly - 5pm - C.O.M.E. (Community Outreach Meal for Everyone) - St. Johns Lutheran Church
- October 1st-29th - Spencer Woman's Club Wreath Sale
- October 7th - 7pm - CORDIS Condition Blue: The Acoustics of Aquatics - LuCille Tack Center for the Arts
- October 16th - 10am - Veterans Memorial Park Ceremony & Brick Reveal - Veterans Memorial Park
- October 21st - 7pm - Michael Perry Live: Sneezing Cows & Love Songs - LuCille Tack Center for the Arts
- October 31st - 1-4pm Trick or Treat
- October 31st - 1-3pm Trunk or Treat - Trinity Lutheran Church
- October 31st - 1-4pm Trunk or Treat - Spencer Kid's Group
- November 6th - Music 8-11pm - Dueling Pianos with N.E.W. Piano Guys - Spencer Kid's Group
- November 12th - 7:30pm - Remembering Hee Haw starring Original Cast Members and Special Guest - LCTA
- November 25th - VILLAGE OFFICE & LIBRARY CLOSED Thanksgiving, November 26th - VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED
- November 27th - 9am-3pm - Spencer PTA Craft Sale - Spencer School
- December 3rd - 7:30pm - A Carpenter's Christmas with Helen Welch - LuCille Tack Center for the Arts
- December 4th - Santa Claus is coming to town! Watch for more details
- December 4th - Spencer Kids Group 25 years Open House
- December 23rd and 24th - VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED - Christmas
- December 30th - Last day in 2021 to pay taxes in the office
- December 31st - VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED - New Years