

Spring 2021

CITY OF FORT ATKINSON Newsletter

Mayor Paul Herold

Council Members

Robert Glass, Kay Schmitt, Lori Schroeder,

Paul Schmitt, Dale Leuenberger

Water –Sewer/Maintenance Greg Barta

Library – searching for new director

City Clerk - Amie Johansen

City Phone Numbers & E-mail City Shop/Office 534-3029

Library 534-2222

A copy of the City of Fort Atkinson ordinances can be found at:

<http://www.fortatkinsoniowa.com/city-code.html>

City Council meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Fort Atkinson Community Center at 7:00 pm.

Auto Pay for your Water/Sewer/Garbage

AUTO PAY saves time and postage by having your water/sewer/garbage bills automatic withdrawn from your bank. Form is available on the city web page under ACH form. Attach a voided check and drop in the dropbox to get started today.

2021 Fort Atkinson Rendezvous September 25 & 26th

The Friends of Fort Atkinson are looking for new members to assist with the planning.

Mark your calendars tentatively for Sunday, August ???? for our **Annual Car/Motorcycle Cruise. Funds** raised will be used for grant matches for improvements to the Fort Atkinson historical site. Contact Jay Schwamman for details.

Always call before you dig –

Iowa One Call - Be sure to contact Iowa One Call before you do any type of digging in your yard to prevent underground services from being disturbed. 1-800-292-8989
www.iowaonecall.com

Wednesday night Band Concerts –

Our hope is to return to our regular schedule this summer.

WINNESHIEK COUNTY RECYCLING

Welcome to Winneshiek County Recycling. Find us on [Facebook!](#)

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RECYCLING

Scott Logsdon

2510 172nd Avenue
Decorah, IA 52101

Phone: 563-382-6514

Email: [Contact](#)

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 6:00 am to 3:00 pm,
24-Hour drop-off containers in front of building and numerous collection bins within the county.

24-Hour drop-off container located in Fort Atkinson in the Community Center parking lot.

Hawkeye Sanitation

In an effort to help reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19, our office will be closed to the public. The office will continue to be staffed during our regular business hours. Please contact us by calling 563-547-3828. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

The safety of our employees, our customers, and the communities we serve are our top priority. **Effective immediately and permanently**, all business garbage that is not in a dumpster and all residential garbage not in a dumpster will need to be bagged and tied shut. Some exceptions will apply. Please be sure your bag can hold the weight of your garbage, keeping in mind also that each bag is not to exceed 60 pounds. We greatly appreciate your cooperation.

This is an example of why we are requesting all garbage now be bagged and tied. We are seeing more hazardous materials and need to protect our employees.

***** **For Your Information** *****

- **JUNK VEHICLES** - City code states that it is unlawful for any person to store, accumulate or allow to remain on private property within the corporate limits of the city. A junk vehicle is unlicensed and has broken glass, broken, lose or missing parts, is a habitat for nuisance animals or insects, contains flammable fuel, inoperable, is defective or obsolete.
- **JUNK** - City code states that it is unlawful for any person to store, accumulate or allow to remain on private property within the city limits. Junk includes old or scrap copper, brass, lead, or any other non-ferrous metal; old or discarded rope, rags, batteries, paper trash, rubber, debris, waste or used lumber, or salvaged wood, dismantled vehicles, machinery, and appliances, old or discarded glass, tinware, plastic or old or discarded household goods or hardware.

Junk or Junk Vehicles kept on private property, constitute a health and safety threat and a nuisance, the owner of or person occupying the property is liable for the violation.
- The **COMMUNITY CENTER** facility is available to the public for rent. Information for renting the community center can be found on the City's web site; www.fortatkinsoniowa.com or by calling the city/shop office @ 534-3029. Please leave a message.
- **PERMITS** are required for buildings, structures, decks, outdoor furnaces etc., that are erected or altered. Call 534-3029 for information regarding permits. There is a \$25.00 fee for the permit, and they are approved by the City Council. Putting up a yard fence does not require a permit, but you do need City Council approval
- **YARD WASTE SITE**: The City operates a yard waste site that is open for residents to dispose of yard waste; grass clippings, shrubbery and trimming, trees, branches, leaves & garden waste. The yard waste site is located behind the Fort Atkinson Community Park.
- **FIREWOOD** is to be NEATLY stacked and located on a SIDE OR REAR of your yard, not in the front yard.
- **TRIM TREES**: It is the responsibility of property owners with trees overhanging a street or boulevard sidewalk to trim the branches, so they are at least 15 ft. above the surface of the street and at least 8 ft. above the sidewalk.
- **ANIMAL OWNERS**: It is unlawful for any animal owner to allow an animal to run at large within the corporate limits of the City or to allow an animal to defecate on either public or private property without cleaning up the mess. Landlords are responsible for their tenants if your tenants are not.
- **SIDEWALKS**: Residents are required to maintain their sidewalks for safe pedestrian travel. Snow removal is also a requirement of sidewalk maintenance within 24 hours of a snowfall. Trees are to be trimmed to 8 feet above the sidewalk.
- Please **DO NOT** put paper towers or other non-degradable products in the City's sanitary sewer system. These products plug up the floats in the lift station which can lead to serious problems that can be costly to fix, which you pay for in the end.
- **GRASS CLIPPINGS**: Please do not mow grass clippings or other yard matter into the street.
- **GOLF CART LICENSE FEE**: \$50.00 first year and proof of insurance, \$25.00 yearly renewal Sticker must be posted on golf cart. Operator MUST have a valid driver's license, be 16 years of age and show proof of insurance. • **ATV/UTV**: Must follow regulations set by the State of Iowa, DNR and Winneshiek county.

TO ALL RESIDENTS :

No open BURNING WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS.