

Village of Lena News



Small Community—Great Opportunity

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It is hard to believe that the Fall season is here already and that snow and cold will be here before we know it!

I wanted to share with you some information that you may find helpful as we prepare our homes for the winter season. Wisconsin Public Service Corporation is our provider of natural gas and electricity in the village. They partner with Focus on Energy to offer energy efficiency rebates and programs to help homeowners reduce their energy use and costs along with other very valuable tips to reduce energy waste in your home and potentially save money.

Below are a few of the programs that are available:

Free Energy Saving Products Packs are available to Wisconsin Public Service customers. Choose from 6 different packages including a variety of products such as Energy Star LED light bulbs, a hi efficiency showerhead, water saving faucet aerators, advanced power strip and pipe insulation. Free shipping included. One pack per residence every 3 years. Order yours today by visiting the WPS website and clicking on rebates and programs and Wisconsin programs, or by calling WPS at the number at the bottom of this newsletter. Additional information on this program is inside this newsletter.

Wisconsin Home Energy Plus Program provides energy assistance to help customers pay for winter heating. The amount of heating assistance benefit depends on the household's size, income and heating costs. Income qualification is currently based on 60 percent of the state median income level during the past month. You can apply online at energybenefit.wi.gov. or by calling one of the numbers listed below. Information is also available at the Village Hall.

Winter Weatherization Program

Improving your home's energy efficiency can make a big difference. If you meet the energy assistance eligibility guidelines, you may also qualify for assistance in caulking, weather stripping and insulation. For more information about applying for energy or weatherization assistance, contact the Oconto County Department of Human Services at 920-834-7000 or the Wisconsin Home Energy Plus Program at 866-432-8947

<https://accel.wisconsinpublicservice.com>. Customer Service Department - Residential Customers, 800-450-7260 (24 hours a day)

As always, we would love to see you at a Village Board Meeting. Be safe.

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Friday 7:30—11:30 a.m.

Past Due Water/Sewer Bills

Any past due amounts that are not paid in **full** by October 21, 2020 will be added to your tax roll!

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Presidential Election Tuesday November 3, 2020.

Polls are open from 7 a.m.—8 p.m.

If you are not registered please do so prior to the election to make the voting process easier. You can register on line at myvote.com or stop in at the Village Hall.

Link for focus on energy: <https://focusonenergy.techniartmarketplace.com/>

Remodeling or construction work: If you plan to do remodeling or any construction work please get a dumpster for your construction waste. The Village garbage bags are not strong enough for drywall, wood, etc. There is a 40 lb. limit per garbage bag!!! Thank you for your cooperation!

Utility Notice—Please do not pour grease down the sewer. This causes sewer backups in the lines. Thank you for your cooperation.

Garbage bags have a limit of 40 lbs. per bag. Bags must be tied.

Loose Leaf Collection—As a service for its residents, the Village has acquired a leaf vacuum unit which will collect leaves directly from residences. This unit will allow the village to basically “vacuum up” the leaves at curbside. The residents will not have to dispose of leaves on their own. It is anticipated that leaf collection will occur twice a year, in spring and in fall. The public works staff and committee will determine the collection periods (dates and times) and will inform the public in advance of those periods.

Collection Process:

- *Do not place leaves in bags
- *Leaves must be placed into piles within three feet of the curbside. Do not put piles into the street, gutter or over stormwater grates so as not to clog the storm drains.
- *Do not put brush, tree limbs, grass clippings or any other material into leaf piles
- *Vehicles should remain off the curbside on the day of pickup, as the crew will not be able to gather leaves with vehicles in the way.
- *Residents may still transport their leaves to the village compost site on their own if they wish.

Winter Reminders

If your property has a sidewalk along it, you are required to have the snow cleared within 24 hours (Village Ordinance 277-10.)

No vehicle is to be parked on the street between 2:30 A.M.—7 A.M., December 1-April1. If you have tenants that do not receive this notice please inform them. Parking citations will be issued for non-compliance. (Village Ordinance 302-16)

