



Garbage & Recycling Changes!

Beginning January 1, 2022, we will begin a new garbage and recycling contract with **Harter's Disposal**.

Our current contract with Advanced Disposal expires at the end of this year, and there are changes to be expected.

Much of the service provided by Harter's will be the same:

- ◆ We'll still have both spring and fall clean up days!
- ◆ We'll still offer the option to purchase Excess Garbage stickers!
- ◆ We'll still have single-stream recycling!

However, we can no longer offer the option of choosing between Small, Medium, or Large carts. All residents will now receive a large garbage cart (which is the same size as the current recycling cart), in addition to the recycling cart. **The fees for all property owners will be \$132 for garbage plus \$45 for recycling. These fees will appear on your tax bill as usual.**

This change will make the entire process easier for the garbage collectors as their trucks are fully-automated. Plus, every cart in the Village will finally be uniform. We currently have different carts, of various sizes, colors and conditions, all over town from past disposal companies. New carts for everyone will clean up these eye-sores!

If you are a multi-unit rental property owner, and you currently offer your renters multiple smaller carts, please contact us at 715-687-4166 if you want fewer carts. If your three unit rental currently has three small carts, you'll received three large carts unless you notify us by 10/15/21.

As usual, we will provide a garbage and recycling calendar which details pick-up days during holiday weeks, acceptable recycling items, etc...

We will send more information once we have everything finalized.



Water Main Flushing

The Water Utility crew will be flushing hydrants and water mains from 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. the week of **Monday, October 25th through Friday, October 29th.**

This process stirs up sediment in the mains. During that time, using water in your home will draw this sediment into your lateral and then into your home's plumbing system. Check your water softener to make sure it does not recharge during this time.

You should delay using water for approximately 1/2 hour only when you notice the crew working in your area.



Customers may experience very low pressure or notice some temporary air in the lines when turning on a faucet after the crew has completed flushing in your area. **Call 715-687-4118 if you have any questions.**

Yard Waste Collection

Dates listed on the back side of this newsletter.

- ◆ Curbside collection of leaves, grass clippings and garden materials. Use **clear plastic bags** only.
- ◆ All tree brush and branches **must be bundled**, not larger than 2 feet in diameter by 8 feet in length, and not heavier than 50 lbs per bundle. Keep thorny brush in separate bundles not longer than 3 feet in length.
- ◆ Do not set brush out earlier than 48 hours before yard clean up dates. The property owner is responsible for all terrace clean up.

Fall Clean Up Day

October 7th

-  Curbside collection of discarded household items, such as mattresses, carpet, major appliances, furniture, excess garbage, etc... for Village residents ONLY.
-  NO computers, electronics, televisions, microwaves, waste oil or filters, construction materials, or items brought in from outside the Village.
-  Remember that the garbage collectors are mere humans lifting and moving an extraordinary amount of stuff the entire day. If there's an item you can break or cut down to a more manageable size, please be considerate! They have the right to leave something behind they deem unmanageable.
-  While Thursday is the official collection day, they may begin on Wednesday to get ahead or come back Friday to finish up.

Please keep in mind that the garbage collectors WILL NOT sort through your piles for accepted items. If there are unaccepted items at the top of the pile, do not expect them to look through the rest to find the things they will take. If there's something you're not sure they'll take, make sure it's separate from everything else and be prepared to dispose of it on your own or call Advanced Disposal at 1-800-262-3101 for clarification.

Winter parking restrictions are in effect from Nov 1st to April 1st, regardless of the presence of snow. Vehicles cannot be parked on any village street or state highway between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:30 a.m.



Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP)

WHEAP provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations. Operating with federal and state funding, the program provides assistance to households across the state to help lower the burden incurred with monthly energy costs.

WHEAP also offers Furnace Assistance to eligible home owners if the furnace or boiler stops operating during the heating season. Heating system assistance includes payment for repairs, or in some situations your residence may qualify for a total replacement of a non-operating furnace or boiler.

Eligibility is based on a number of factors. Visit www.HomeEnergyPlus.wi.gov or call 1-866-HEATWIS for more information.



Community Calendar

-  **Oct 7** Fall Clean Up Day *
- Oct 18-19** Yard Waste Collection *
- Oct 25-26** Yard Waste Collection *
-  **Oct 31** Halloween Trick or Treat 5:30pm - 7:30pm
-  **Nov 1-2** Yard Waste Collection *
-  **Nov 25** Thanksgiving Day Office Closed

* Refer to your Garbage & Recycling brochure or our website for details.



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*Email addresses end in: @stratfordwi.com
Village Ordinances online: <http://www.ecode360.com/ST2150>
For after hours utility emergencies, please call 715-687-4118.
Listen to the message for the staff's "on call" phone number.