

July 2022 Village News

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July 2022 News from Your Senior Center

By Rachel Brickner

What is the best form of exercise? One that you will do!

Research tells us that we need to exercise for strength, balance, flexibility, and endurance. Our brains tell us to exercise for fun! We can force ourselves to do something that isn't fun, but it is really tough to stick with it. So, find some form of exercise that is fun for you, and it won't feel like you are forcing yourself to do it!

Have you given pickleball a try yet? Pickleball is something that is played year-round in Brooklyn, and seasonally outdoors in Oregon as well. If you are wondering about this game (and why it has gained in popularity so rapidly), the Senior Center is hosting an event on Wednesday, July 27 at 1:00 that will introduce attendees to the sport.

Local pickleball enthusiast Mike Barone will be at the Center to talk about the pickleball craze among people of all ages. Mike will explain a little about the rules of the game, the equipment used, and why it is particularly well-suited for older adults.

After Mike's talk, interested people will be welcome to join him and other players at the Oak Street courts in Oregon for a game demonstration.

Group exercise classes often work well for people because the social aspect of being in a group makes exercising more fun. There are twice weekly Zumba Gold and Zumba Gold Advanced classes at the Center. Participants enjoy the music and dancing in a lively group.

Likewise, the group that meets twice each week for StrongWomen shares a lot of friendship with physical activity. It isn't unusual for me to walk past the group and hear them singing happy birthday to one of the participants while they are hoisting their weights.

Balance class is another option for people to enjoy at the Center. Class participants tell me "It's fun!" when I ask about the class. Again, music and an engaging instructor can make a big difference. You might find

yourself enjoying the same exercises that at home alone would be too dull to stick with.

September will see Gentle Yoga and Parkinson's Exercise return to the Center, offering a couple more options to work out with others.

Exercise is a very important component of healthy aging. We encourage people to find an activity they enjoy, as the odds of continuing with it go up significantly when they do. Please call the Senior Center if you have any questions about the exercise classes available here: 608-835-5801.

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[July 2022 Senior Center Newsletter](#)

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## Oregon Area Food Pantry

### **The Pantry Press Distribution Dates & Times**

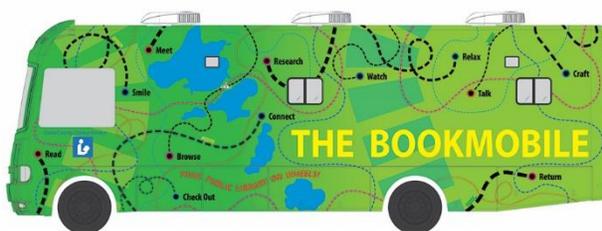
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Aug 25 (Thurs) 4p-6p  
Aug 30 (Tues) 9a-11a

For needs beyond food or for emergency food needs, call the United Way help line at 211.

# 2022 Summer Library Program!



The Summer Reading program is in full swing at the Bookmobile. In addition to weekly prizes for kids who meet reading goals, adults can enter a weekly Summer Reading drawing. There will also be a different craft every week. Summer Reading runs through August 4. The Bookmobile stops at the Commercial St gazebo on Thursday evenings year-round from 6-7:30.



## Community Potluck



**Thursday, July 28th  
At Noon  
Brooklyn Methodist Church**

Everyone - all ages are welcome.

Bring a dish to pass.  
Table service and beverages are provided.

### **COMMUNITY STAND**

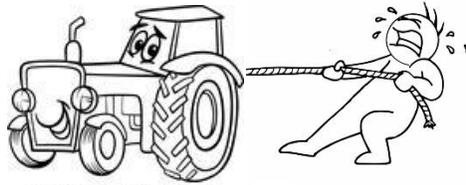
#### **Methodist Church Parking Lot**

Anyone can donate excess garden products that they may have on hand. Anyone can take products from the stand that they can use.



# SAVE THE DATE!

## LABOR DAY TRUCK & TRACTOR PULLS Sept. 2 – Sept. 4



Look for more details in next newsletter



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Save the date for  
our Annual  
**Brooklyn Night Out**

August 4th, 2022  
5:00pm - 7:30pm  
Legion Park



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Get Fit Class Schedule  
YOGA SLOW FLOW return in  
AUGUST  
Wednesday Nights - 6:00pm

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JOIN US for our ANNUAL  
FALL ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

Saturday, September 3rd

**9am-3pm**

Location: Brooklyn Community Building

Support Your Local Businesses

BE SURE TO JOIN US  
FOR FOOD TRUCK TUESDAY:

3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH  
MAY - SEPTEMBER

5:00PM-8:00PM

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Oregon Area Food Pantry Presents

# Summer Lunch Program

Grab and Go lunches for all residents of the Oregon School District under 18 or currently attending OSD, regardless of need.

\*\*\*GF and nut free options available

**June 13 - August 17**

**Mondays and Wednesdays**

**12 pm - 1pm**

**Three OSD locations**

**\*\*\*\*No lunch July 4\*\*\*\***

Brooklyn Community  
Building

Greenfield Park  
Shelter, Fitchburg

Goodland Park Shelter



**Brooklyn Village Board Meeting Minutes**  
**June 13, 2022**

The June 13, 2022, Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall by President Mark Bruner. Trustees present were Dan Olson, Sean Brennum, Mike Brusberg, Brandon Arndt, Janeen Podgorski and Jacob Bachim. No Zoom participants. Also present were Sue McCallum and Clerk-Treasurer Linda Kuhlman. Pledge of Allegiance. No public comments.

**President's report** – The Village received \$200 from Sno-Hornets/Sno-Blazers toward fireworks. He thanked Andy Meyer for the car show this past weekend. It was a big success. Bruner will be out of town Thursday and Friday.

**Brennum made a motion to approve minutes of May 23.** Podgorski seconded. Motion carried.

**Council on Aging/Senior Center** – Sue McCallum reported they had their 2021 annual review. The adult day program is going well and at its highest utilization rate. They are eligible to receive public financing through Medicaid. The Village of Brooklyn pays 3% of the total Senior Center budget. Their volunteer hours are amazing. They had 6654 total hours, which is 3.19 full-time staff. 37% of overall work hours are filled in by volunteers. Council on Aging is the fundraising arm of the Senior Center. At their annual elections, FeLou McElroy stepped down as chair and Clarice Dewey was elected. She will appoint the vice president. Nancy Sheldon is still the secretary and at large members are Ruth Klahn and Larry Svanda. The library site is all set for the village and now the Senior Center process will begin. They will start this year with public input and explore needs and hire an owner representative. The next meeting for the Council is July 20. It is nice to see the age groups. 40% of people using the Center are between 70-79 years old. They have a lot of programs to offer. The Senior Center organizes the summer concerts held in Oregon. They had a good brat bash and made about \$4,000. Let her know if there is anything to take forward and thoughts.

**New business** – Brusberg reviewed the bills and had no questions. Olson had a question on the Messner bill. The board approved \$3,004.23 for landscaping and the bill was \$661.83 above and they didn't do the weed barrier that was in the RFP. Kuhlman explained that she told the board at the time of approval of the quotes that Messner hadn't included the edging work or weed barrier and also included removing the existing bushes. Once Messner credited for removing the bushes, which the Public Works Department did, and added in the edging, it would be close to the original price. They didn't do the weed barrier because Messner said they don't put weed barriers under mulch. **Brusberg made a motion to approve bills as presented.** Arndt seconded. Olson opposed. Motion carried.

Kuhlman presented an updated Cemetery Management document and explained that the cemetery rules on the website didn't match exactly with the rules on the board at the cemetery. Podgorski asked about the shepherds hooks. Olson said existing ones were grandfathered in. **Brennum made a motion to adopt changes in Cemetery Management.** Brusberg seconded. Podgorski asked who maintains the flag, because it is very tattered and should be lit at night. She would like a new flag every year and lighting of some kind. Bruner said he will discuss at Public Works Committee. Motion carried.

Kuhlman presented the license renewals and told the board the applications were available for review. She explained they had one operator license where the person had an OWI two years ago. Our ordinance says you need to have two alcohol related offenses within three years to be denied. **Brennum made a motion to approve the license applications and renewals as presented.** Brusberg seconded. The applications are as follows:

COMBINATION "CLASS B": FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE & INTOXICATING LIQUORS: RENEWAL-Anchor Club II, LLC, dba Anchor Club, Stacey Hardy, Agent, 112 Hotel Street; and RENEWAL - Main Street Music and More, LLC, Andy Meyer, Agent, Main Street. COMBINATION "CLASS A": FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE & INTOXICATING LIQUORS: RENEWAL- Olin Oil Co., Inc., dba Brooklyn Mini Mart, Kristin Olin Olmedo, Agent, 355 N Rutland Ave; and RENEWAL- Dolgencorp, LLC, dba Dollar General Store #14977, Rebecca Graves, Agent, 303 Douglas Drive. CLASS "B" FERMENTED MALT

BEVERAGE & "CLASS C" WINE: RENEWAL – Canterling Café, Hilari Rottier, Agent, 233 Douglas Drive. OPERATOR LICENSES: RENEWALS – Rebecca Deau, Sandra Miller, McKayla Kirby, Brenda Denson, Ann Spilde, Cynthia Jazdzewski; and NEW – Quincee Johnson, Jennifer Schmidt, Kaia Boettcher, Analyse Worachek, Kelsey Shortridge. CIGARETTE LICENSE: Anchor Club, Brooklyn Mini Mart, Dollar General. COIN OPERATED MACHINE LICENSE: Brooklyn Mini Mart-5, Anchor Club-12, Main Street Music and More-1. Motion carried.

**Clerk's Report** – The financial reports were handed out. May had total deposits of \$105,348.91 and total withdrawals of \$98,768.51 for a total balance at the end of the month of \$2,014,100.61. If there are any questions on financials, please ask. The water tower shelter is complete and the picnic tables are in there. They are working on new sand in Smithfield and Legion parks. Kranigs donated lime for the ball fields, and we sent them a thank you card and also on Facebook. Payne & Dolan stopped in the office. They are starting the portable plant on June 6 and have projects on Highways 14 and 151. They will be running about 40 days and will be working Saturdays. If anyone has questions, please reach out to them. Spilde updated the Dumpster Days annual totals report with the spring totals. Spring tonnage was 23.73 with a disposal cost of \$634.44. There was 4.67 tons of metal that received a credit of \$887.30, and there was 19.06 tons of trash. There are surcharges along with the disposal charges, so it was close to even. Olson asked if they included the three dumpsters in the contract. Kuhlman said they did. Board was given a copy of the Fire Service Award Program annual report, which indicates how the program money is invested and paid out. If someone is not in service anymore and they're not vested, the money gets dispersed among the rest of the members. June 23 the clerks of the municipalities in the Senior Center area met and discussed where the funds come from for the Center. It started out with funding based on percentage of each municipality in the Oregon School District. The municipalities in the agreement have changed since the beginning. We are not in the agreement. They will be looking at a new agreement and how to fund the Center in the near future. Rachel Brickner confirmed that the Village of Brooklyn's contribution of \$15,000 annually covers the costs for the Village residents. They are going to be looking at future building options and funding for that. There is another meeting to discuss budgeting for the fund changes every year. Pellitteri knocked over a cement pillar on Church Street. A new one has been ordered, and Pellitteri will take care of the expense. It could take a few months. They also hit a few mailboxes on the north side of town. The residents are dealing directly with Pellitteri. Brusberg asked why pickup times have changed in the last few years. Kuhlman said with COVID over the last few years and right now, they are shorthanded and so they have new drivers and overlapping routes. We applied for a FEMA COVID grant last year, and it was denied. FEMA has opened up the grant again and changed some of the criteria, so we have applied again. Kuhlman did find out that our employee time will not be covered, but we have enough other expenses that it's worth sending through. She spoke with the Dane County Sheriff's Office and made them aware of the Highway 14/92 detour. Deputy Grumke is back on duty. Public Works is moving the speed board periodically around the village, and it's on S. Rutland right now. Oregon Food Pantry is handing out lunches on Mondays and Wednesdays to kids in the village. They are looking for a couple volunteers each day, and they have a signup genius. Most days are full, but there are a few days still open. The phosphorus trade agreements are being paid to the Klahns. With our phosphorus limits for the plant, we did trades with farmers to help keep the limits down so that we didn't have to do major construction or use more chemicals and biologicals. Olson said they put buffer strips down along the creek. This is the first of four years that we will pay them, and then we will look at the agreement again. The first payments are in the bills to be paid tonight. There are inspections that need to be done for that, and DNR said Spilde is able to do the inspections and report it on the annual report. We have not heard back on the TID 2 EPA grant. The meetings with the businesses went well, and they are interested in the land. The geotechnical surveys and wetland delineations will be done in the next few weeks. The businesses are looking at the maps and laying out where they want to be. All Color talked about moving farther to the east and leaving a few smaller lots along Prosperity. We might have to look at purchasing the parcel to the southeast which might be needed for stormwater basins. O&A would like to begin their next addition, about 60,000 square feet, next year. We received a \$200 donation from snowmobile clubs for the fireworks. Brusberg asked Kuhlman to update the flyer. Fire/EMS reports were handed out.

Kuhlman explained that the clerk's network computer was unfixable, and we will need to purchase a new one. They replaced the motherboard but still couldn't get video. They will only charge us for about two hours of time

and not for the parts that aren't working. She received a quote from Computer Know How for \$1,949 for a new network computer and install. She checked online and the price seemed in line with other companies. Brusberg agreed but asked if that would be enough memory. Brennum suggested upgrading the computer with memory up to 32 gb instead of 16 gb. Brusberg said the price difference is about \$300. **Brennum made a motion to accept the bid from Computer Know How with the upgraded memory to 32gb not to exceed \$2,500.** Brusberg seconded. Motion carried. Kuhlman asked the board if she and the deputy clerk could attend the WMCA annual conference August 24-26 in Wisconsin Dells. **Brennum made a motion to approve the clerk and deputy clerk attending the WMCA annual conference for rooms totaling \$360 and registration fees of \$420.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried. The clerk's office will be closed those days. Olson abstained. Kuhlman stated she is trying for a scholarship.

**Fireworks** – Bruner said they will have one more meeting and still need volunteers. They have five volunteers but could use three or four more. Podgorski will send out another blast. Kuhlman will update the flyer and send a pdf to Podgorski and Bruner. Bruner said they need one or two greeting people handing out flyers and glow sticks and three people with parking. There will be tape blocking off no access zone and there will be someone there to monitor. He's reached out to groups for clean up. Bachim said he might get some help from the fire department. They need volunteers to help in the park by 7 p.m. Bachim will send out to the fire department for people to be there by 7 p.m.

**Ordinances** – Bruner stated we will be moving the Adult Entertainment ordinance from Chapter 8, Article II to Article III to make room for the Food Vendor ordinance. Arndt said to strike out free-standing signage under (h). **Arndt made a motion to amend Chapter 8 moving Adult Entertainment to Article III and inserting Mobile Food Vendors to Article II.** Brennum seconded. Motion carried. **Brennum made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-06 Creating a Food Truck Permit fee.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried. **Brusberg made a motion to approve the Mobile Food Vendor Application.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

**Finance Committee** – Brusberg stated they talked about the TID 1 project grant application and procedure. Kuhlman will get more information on this, but they created an application process to use on a project that is going to be completed or has been completed in the most recent year and get reimbursed for the cost. It will be for TID 1 businesses, but they will look into the half-mile radius option. It's an open application process. The Finance Committee will look at them and then bring recommendations to the board. The key thing to note is the TID expense period will expire in April of next year. We have a short window. Applications will be due late August and early September. The Finance Committee will then work through them and bring recommendations to the board. Arndt asked if businesses will be notified? They will receive the application via mail. Arndt asked if it can cover repaving of the road. Kuhlman said if we redo the road, we should do the infrastructure also. **Arndt made a motion to approve the application process for TID 1 dollars.** Podgorski seconded. Motion carried. Kuhlman said this doesn't preclude the village from doing something.

**Badger Books and use of ARPA funds** – Brusberg said Kuhlman will get more information on pricing and yearly maintenance costs. It is roughly \$2,000 each, and we would need three. No decision is needed tonight. These are the electronic poll books for voting. If anyone has strong opinions, let us know. We can use ARPA funds. Kuhlman will find out if we can pay in advance for maintenance costs. Brusberg said they discussed apps called HeyGov and HeyReserve, which can help with booking the parks electronically. It costs a lot of money for its purpose. UniverCity is done by the UW, providing a partnership opportunity for project work, and they leverage students to assist with the projects. Brusberg asked the board to keep it in mind as an option to consider down the road. It's about \$25,000-\$35,000. Bruner said an example would be to look at the Douglas Street pond and do a partnership, and the UW would turn it over to their civil engineering students and they work it into the curriculum. It could be a lower cost option to do an analysis. Brusberg said the Finance Committee and PW Committee will look at a capital project list and have a borrowing discussion, so they will have a combined meeting on July 25. We can start having discussions once we get grant information on TID 2. He wants to have an ambulance discussion at the joint fire/EMS meeting, and we have the need for a patrol truck/plow truck, Hotel Street could use some work, etc.

**Brennum made a motion at 7:41 p.m. to go into closed session pursuant to WI Stats 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties or the investing of public funds and conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session (General Village).** Olson seconded. AYES – Podgorski, Brennum, Bachim, Bruner, Brusberg, Olson, Arndt. NOES – none. Motion carried.

**Brennum made a motion at 7:53 to reconvene out of closed session.** Bachim seconded. AYES – Podgorski, Brennum, Bachim, Bruner, Brusberg, Olson and Arndt. NOES – none. Motion carried.

**Brennum made a motion at 7:54 p.m. to adjourn.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW  
Clerk-Treasurer

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### **Brooklyn Village Board Meeting Minutes June 27, 2022**

The June 27, 2022, Village Board meeting of the Village of Brooklyn was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall by President Mark Bruner. Trustees present were Dan Olson, Sean Brennum, Brandon Arndt, and Jacob Bachim. Mike Brusberg and Janeen Podgorski were absent. No Zoom participants. Also present were Lorra and Steven Nault, and Clerk-Treasurer Linda Kuhlman. Pledge of Allegiance. No public comments.

**No parking 201 S. First Street** – Mr. Nault stated people still fly in and out of park, and one reason they've parked there is to slow traffic down, and another reason is they needed the spots for awhile because their kids had cars and they didn't have a lot of spots to park. In his mind, they could make the farthest spot a no parking, closest to in and out, and then there would still enough room to get in and out. Olson said the biggest concern is for safety with fire trucks or ambulances, and with their truck there, it would be hard to get big apparatus in there. Naults understand that. Olson also added PW needs to get in with the bigger dump truck for tree removal. Bruner asked how far from their driveway to entrance to the park. Mr. Nault said they can fit three cars there, so about 50 feet. He said if they can keep two spots there, you still have room to get in and out. Bachim asked if they could use the gravel pad at the entrance to the park. Mrs. Nault said that is okay, but in the wintertime, that's where the snow is pushed. Bachim said we could talk to PW about redirecting the snow push to make it easier with multiple drivers. It's a reasonable compromise. Arndt asked if that has to be in writing. Olson said in the ordinances we had to include dead ends for parking. Brennum asked if we can add this to that ordinance and allow other neighbors to park there. Arndt said for the future, he doesn't want this to be a handshake agreement in case PW employees and others are gone, especially with plowing. Brennum asked if it would be for residents in the neighborhood or certain addresses. Bruner suggested permits for the car window. Bachim said to leave it at a house number and pick the five houses in that corner. Olson suggested from Bowman to the park entrance. Mr. Nault would like to have at least one spot. Bruner said we can make 25 feet from the park as no parking with yellow curb. Naults were good with that. Olson said Spilde was okay with parking on the gravel. Brennum suggested tabling the ordinance for those five houses to park in the park. It was discussed for the time being to approve the 25-foot zone, and meanwhile, they can park in the park. **Brennum made a motion to make the first 25 feet outside of Legion Park a no parking zone on the east side of S. First Street.** Olson seconded. Motion carried. **Brennum made a motion to postpone the ordinance discussion for park parking until the next meeting.** Olson seconded. Bachim said currently they are allowed to park in the park. Motion carried. Residents thanked the board for being flexible with them.

**No public comments. President's report** – Bruner would like to extend congratulations to the Oregon girls soccer team for winning state and being undefeated. Bruner would like to wish his wife a happy 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, which is next Tuesday.

**Brennum made a motion to approve minutes of June 13.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2022-07 Adopt Village of Brooklyn Annex to the Dane County Hazard Mitigation Plan** – Kuhlman explained that we previously approved and submitted our plan for the Dane County Hazard Mitigation Plan. The County has approved our plan, and we need to approve the Resolution adopting our annex to their plan. **Brennum made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-07.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

**Geotechnical services for TID 2 phase 2** – Olson asked if the engineers looked over the bids. Kuhlman said the bids came in to Strand and the Village. Strand reviewed the bids and they have worked with all three companies before. CGC came in about \$2,000 less. Kuhlman said we have worked with CGC before, and Bruner stated Findorff has used them before. **Brennum made a motion to approve CGC bid of \$5,990 for the phase 2.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

**Key Benefits OPEB report** – Kuhlman explained that a few years ago there was a new accounting rule regarding audits and that we need to have an actuarial report done on the retirement benefits for employees. Every other year, they do a long report and review and the in-between years is a shorter updated report only. This year was the long report/review. The report is forwarded to our auditors to include in the audit report. **Brennum made a motion to approve the Key Benefit OPEB report.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

**Damage to TID 2 sign** – Bruner said board was given a photo of the sign that was hit. Bachim asked if the owner of the trailer will pay. Bruner said yes, Carter and Gruenwald will pay. Kuhlman said the question is do we want to replace this sign or have them pay the replacement cost and put it toward a future sign for the business park. Bachim said as long as they know their money is going toward the sign. Arndt asked if it's a donation or damage payment. Bruner said it would be damage of property. Bachim wants to make sure they know the money is going towards a new sign. Bruner said he would rather have a new sign with the business names. Bachim asked if business names would be removable and replaceable. Bruner said yes, similar to the one in Sunrise Plaza, where you have the new names printed and put in and out. **Brennum made a motion to not replace the TID 2 sign but replace it with a future sign with business names with the money from Carter and Gruenwald for the damages.** Arndt seconded. Motion carried.

**Pickleball net** – Bruner asked how many tennis courts we have. Olson said we have two courts. Bruner asked if this would be taking one and turning it into pickleball. Answer is yes. Discussion on pickleball court being fairly close to same size as tennis court. Brennum asked if anyone uses the courts for tennis. Everyone said people still play tennis. Board members said we should keep one. Discussion on size of courts, nets, etc. Bachim suggested keeping both and maybe use both for pickleball also. Bruner said they are removable posts for the pickleball. Bachim asked if they are looking for it to be permanent. Bruner said you could use both courts for either. Discussion of one for tennis and one for pickleball. Brennum asked if it's worth putting in a new court for the pickleball and leave the tennis courts. We can get a bid or a quote to see what it would cost to add another court. Bachim and Olson asked about using the blank pad that's already in the park. **Brennum made a motion to further look into the slab that is already existing for an independent pickleball court instead of converting the tennis court.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried. Discussion on where funds coming from for cost. Brennum suggested looking into a nicer permanent solution instead of a temporary one and then discuss pricing at that point.

**Kwik Trip fleet card** – Kuhlman stated we looked into getting a card for Kwik Trip as a backup in case the Mobil is closed. We would receive at least three cents back per gallon, and we should be tax exempt also. Olson said one card is enough for emergencies. **Brennum made a motion to get one Kwik Trip fleet card for PW.** Olson seconded. Motion carried.

**Assessor contract** – Kuhlman stated our contract with the assessor ended. When she asked last November about extending the contract Accurate gave a quote of \$12,500 per year for the next three years. Currently we pay \$8,500 per year on a four-year contract that included the market revaluation. **Bruner made a motion to put together an RFP for assessment services.** Olson seconded. Kuhlman said she has one they used a few years ago, so can she go ahead and send it out. Bruner suggested sending to at least three companies. Motion carried.

**Sewer charge request** was dropped because the resident only incurred \$30 cost so he's going to pay it. **Food truck vendor applications** – none were received. Kuhlman explained that Main Street Music is having a food truck on the weekends. They were told the food truck had to apply for a permit, even though they are on private property. Kuhlman told Meyer if the truck is taking the food into the business and distributing it through the inside, no permit is needed. Bachim asked if it makes a difference if they're on private property. Bruner said a permit is needed anywhere in the village. Kuhlman will talk with Main Street Music and remind them to have the trucks get a permit.

**TID 2 grant status** – Bruner said we did not get a grant for the business park. We did not receive anything. Strand is looking at other options. Discussion on other options for funding, including the businesses paying for the development and receiving payment later from the tax increment generated. Also discussed other grants and possibly the sewer and water funds paying partial. Board decided to talk to Strand, find out how much we can build without putting the lift station in, because that's the biggest cost. Also suggested talking to Ehlers about the pay go options. Send a letter to the businesses informing them of the grant status and that we're still working on the grants option.

**Bills** – Bruner didn't find anything. Olson saw that since we owned the Village Hall we've been charged by Alliant for tax and also on the gas bill at 102 Windy Lane. Kuhlman called Alliant to fix the issue. **Olson made a motion to approve the bills.** Brennum seconded. Motion carried.

**Clerk's report** – Kuhlman reached out to the American Legion about the Cemetery flag. Their next meeting is in August, and they will discuss whether they want to take care of it or ask the village to. In the meantime, PW was able to take the old flag down and replace it with a new flag. Absentee ballots went out in the mail last week. In person voting starts 14 days before the election. Arndt asked us to do a survey about the food trucks. We have received 33 responses so far and it's still open from mostly Brooklyn residents and good comments were received – someone suggested a kids area/craft area, a way to get people to not sit at the picnic tables after they eat, food options good, liked the music, suggestion to keep the food together, tent for shade suggestion, and someone suggested a bacon festival, Charter was out today. The League of Wisconsin Municipal Insurance company is sponsoring a \$500 safety grant. It's 100% match and we have until next June to use it. We have some more operator licenses that the clerk's office approved. Clerk and PW will be closed July 4. Senior Center had another meeting discussing funding and their need for a new building or fix the old building. They are going to do a study on that. They are also going to be looking at adjusting the agreement. The \$15,000 that we donate covers Brooklyn village residents. They will keep us informed regarding the building. The clerk's computer memory upgrade is only \$100 extra for the 32 mg. Letters were sent out to the businesses about the TID 1 grants. TID annual meetings were held. The Badger Books software is free from the state and no annual fees. She's still trying to get an answer regarding the hardware. July 6 is the date for inspection of 208 Railroad Street. We're trying to reach him to make sure he will be present.

**Fireworks** – Bruner has a meeting scheduled tomorrow at the park to go over logistics. He will talk to PW to get cans of marking paint to keep straight rows. Hope to have about five volunteers. We are collecting food for Oregon Food Pantry. Sherri Pollack sent a list for urgently needed items. It's up on Facebook page. He talked to Ben Cowan, and he will bring a couple of Tradesmen to help clean up on Sunday. Olson said Meyer would help, and Bachim had a signup at the fire department also. Bruner will get caution tape. Bruner bought 400 glow sticks for the fireworks to hand out. Any leftovers will go to Recreation. They will hand out copies of the flyer with the names of the sponsors.

Kuhlman reminded everyone of the Oregon Food Pantry free lunches for kids on Mondays and Wednesdays from the community building. Podgorski was not present to discuss the comprehensive plan survey results.

**Brennum made a motion at 7:42 p.m. to adjourn.** Bachim seconded. Motion carried.

Linda Kuhlman, WCMC, CMTW

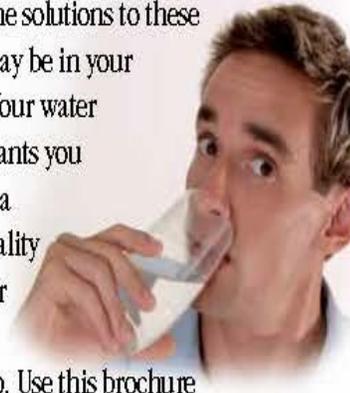


# Clean Tap, Clean Water

Maintaining high-quality drinking water in your home



The next time you fill a glass with tap water, take a close look at the faucet and sink. Is the sink area clean? Are there stains on the fixtures? Does the tap water have an unusual smell or color? The solutions to these issues may be in your hands. Your water utility wants you to enjoy a high-quality tap water through every tap. Use this brochure yourself, or use it to work with a licensed plumber, to inspect your faucets and water use areas, such as sinks used to tap drinking water and for food preparation, to find areas for improvement.



## Top faucet tips for homeowners

1. Install faucets that are certified to be "lead-free" or contain no lead.
2. Clean faucet aerators and strainers regularly.
3. Clean and disinfect sinks and faucets regularly.
4. Keep sink drains unclogged and clear of materials so that the drains work properly.
5. Use cold tap water for drinking and preparing food.
6. A good time to collect fresh drinking water to chill in the refrigerator is after a lot of household water use, such as laundry and dishwashing.
7. Remove aerators and flush cold water taps (open the faucets) after household plumbing work or when water has not been used for several days.
8. Only connect water filters and other devices intended for drinking water to household faucets. Do not connect hoses or other devices to faucets for non-drinking water purposes.
9. Keep hazardous chemicals or unsanitary materials away from faucets and sinks used for drinking water or food preparation.
10. Maintain water treatment systems as recommended by the manufacturer.



### Where to get more information

- Contact your water provider or utility for more information
- US Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Water Health Series and Water on Tap ([www.epa.gov/safewater](http://www.epa.gov/safewater))
- EPA's WaterSense for helpful information on water-efficient products for the home ([www.epa.gov/watersense](http://www.epa.gov/watersense))
- American Water Works Association's (AWWA's) consumer website, DrinkTap.org ([drinktap.org](http://drinktap.org))
- AWWA's brochure on household backflow prevention, *Backflow prevention is a two-way proposition*
- Canadian Institute of Plumbing and Heating has a consumer website. [www.ciph.com/becausewatermatters](http://www.ciph.com/becausewatermatters)



American Water Works  
Association

### How do you know if your faucet or sink may be causing a problem?

The most common signs that your faucet or sink is affecting the quality of your drinking water are discolored water, sink stains, a buildup of particles, unusual odors or tastes, and a reduced flow of water.



### The kitchen sink

The cleanliness of the kitchen sink is important because it is where you get water for drinking and cooking. Chemicals and bacteria



can splash and accumulate on the faucet and aerator. Hand washing, soap scum buildup, and the handling of raw meats and vegetables can contaminate your sink. The sink's surfaces need to be cleaned and disinfected regularly.

### Sink drains

Drains that are not well maintained can give rise to sewer and sulfur (rotten egg) odors. Clogged drains can lead to unclean sinks and backed up water in which bacteria can grow and contaminate the faucet and the foods being prepared around the sink. Pink and black colored biological slime growth can build up around drains. Disinfect and clean the drains and the area around the drains. Flush regularly with hot water.



### Faucets, screens and aerators

Aerators are located on the tip of faucets and can collect particles such as from lead plumbing materials, sediment and minerals. Low flow from the faucet may be one sign of this. Remove and clean the aerators or screens on a regular basis. When installing new faucets and fixtures, be sure to select models that are certified "lead-free" or have no lead.



If particles are found in the faucet's screen and they float on water, they could be pieces of plastic from the hot water heater's dip tube, which is the component that brings cold water to the bottom of the heater's tank. Have a plumber check the water heater for debris accumulated in the tank. Faucet gaskets can break down and cause black, oily slime or particles. If this is found, replace the faucet's gasket with a higher-quality product.

White scaling or hard deposits on faucets and showerheads may be caused by hard water or water with high levels of calcium carbonate. You can clean these fixtures with vinegar or use water softening to reduce the calcium carbonate levels for the hot water system. Pink or black slime in the showerhead should be cleaned out when it becomes noticeable because this could be biological growth.



### Water treatment devices

Point-of-use water treatment systems, installed at the tap or on the water line under the sink counter, must be installed properly and maintained as recommended by the manufacturer. A smell of rotten eggs can be a sign of bacteria in the filters or treatment system. The system can also become clogged over time. The water treatment device may need



replacing or cleaning. If your refrigerator has a built-in ice maker, chances are it has a small filter on the water supply line, and this filter needs to be maintained by regular checking and cleaning or replacement.

### One last point

Use properly maintained and dedicated glassware for drinking water. Store water in clean covered containers in the refrigerator. Make sure that ice stays fresh and clean. You serve a key role in ensuring that the safe and good quality drinking water provided to your house by your water utility is maintained through every tap.

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| Sunday                                                | Monday                                          | Tuesday                                   | Wednesday                                                          | Thursday                                 | Friday                      | Saturday |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|
| * \$5/Tire see Clerk's Office for sticker and payment | 1                                               | 2<br>*Tires, Batteries & Oil              | 3<br>Garbage & Recycling<br>Yoga                                   | 4<br>Brooklyn Night Out –<br>Legion Park | 5                           | 6        |
| 7                                                     | 8<br>Finance Mtg 530p<br>Village Board Mtg 630p | 9<br><b>Election Day</b><br>Brush Pick up | 10<br>Garbage<br>Yoga                                              | 11<br>Recreation Mtg 530 p               | 12                          | 13       |
| 14                                                    | 15<br>Public Work's Mtg                         | 16<br>Food Truck Night                    | 17<br>Garbage & Recycling<br>Yoga<br>Planning & Zoning Mtg<br>630p | 18                                       | 19                          | 20       |
| 21                                                    | 22<br>Village Board Mtg 630p                    | 23                                        | 24<br>Garbage<br>Yoga<br>Clerk's Office Closed                     | 25<br>Clerk's Office Closed              | 26<br>Clerk's Office Closed | 27       |
| 28                                                    | 29                                              | 30                                        | 31<br>Garbage & Recycling<br>Yoga                                  |                                          |                             |          |
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