



The City of Brillion Newsletter

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A Good Place to Live, Work, Learn, and Play

A Letter From Mayor Robert Mathiebe Citizen Input Needed for 2002 Budget



Citizens of Brillion:

The City of Brillion like many communities across the State is faced with the challenge of providing increased municipal ser-

VICES without drastically impacting its property tax rate. Over the last few years the City has been aggressively working to bring the tax rate down. The City portion of your property tax bill has decreased in the past three (3) years and the City continues to explore ways to decrease its tax rate, such as increasing user fees, and increasing the operational efficiency for some of the services provided.

The City of Brillion is small full service community that provides big city services. These services include but are not limited to: 24 hour Police & Ambulance Service, Volunteer Fire Department, a Community Center equipped with an aquatic facility & gymnasium, a first-rate Library facility with extensive programming, year round park & recreational programming, curbside garbage & recycling pickup, weekly curbside chipping, a compost drop-off area, DPW services-snow & ice removal, street cleaning, curbside leaf pickup, road repair & maintenance, parks maintenance, and more!

The City is in the process of preparing its 2002 Budget and your input is needed! For more information regarding the 2002 Budget process

please contact the Brillion City Hall (920) 756-2250.

The City of Brillion has a lot to offer its residents and future residents. The City of Brillion has been aggressively working to develop a positive image and to encourage people to live and work Brillion. In closing I want people to know that the City's number one priority is to ensure that the City of Brillion continues to be a "Good Place to Live, Work, Learn, and Play".

Mayor Robert Mathiebe

Comprehensive Plan Process Gains Momentum Community Survey to be Distributed in October

This Fall, comprehensive planning focuses on three tasks: mapping, community survey, and Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources.

Mapping. On September 19th, Dr. Tom Greene, St. Lawrence University, New York, will meet with the Coordinated Plan Committee (CPC), comprised of both City and Town of Brillion members, to discuss the results of an earlier mapping exercise, which will identify areas of concern and appreciation in the City and Town of Brillion. The information will be used when developing the Future Land Use Plan Map.

As part of the pilot project with the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), the University of Wisconsin Land Information & Computer Graphics Facility (LICGF) will be developing computer-generated maps of the City and Town of Brillion, which will depict land use, natural resources, soil characteristics, agricultural productivity, building suitability, and other factors. These maps will be presented to the CPC in October.

Community Survey. Mr. Ken Genskow, UW-Madison/UW-Extension, will facilitate the community survey effort with a sub-committee of the CPC,

who will review and revise a draft questionnaire, and present the final draft to the CPC on September 19th. The survey will be distributed in October.

Results of the survey will be presented to both communities early next year.

Agricultural, Natural & Cultural Resources. Based on the vision statements and mapping products, OMNNI will complete the draft Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources Element of the Comprehensive Plan, which will be presented to the CPC in December.

Early in 2002, the CPC will host a mid-course meeting to finalize the vision for 2020 and discuss the results of the community survey.

Please look for details and plan to attend.

You can find more information about the planning process in the Brillion News, City of Brillion Newsletter, and at www.ci.brillion.wi.us, and click on the Omni Associates link.

The next Coordinated Plan Committee meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2001 at the Brillion City Hall. All meetings are open to the public.

Smart Growth



People Focused Planning

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City Hall Updates

130 Calumet Street ☐ 756-2250

New Hours! Mon. 7:30 am - 6:00 pm, Tues. - Fri. 7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Redistricting—Making Your Voice Heard

Although at first it may seem confusing, redistricting is a necessary process to ensure that there truly is equal representation, as the US Constitution requires.

What is Redistricting?

Redistricting is the process of revising the geographic boundaries within a state from which people elect their representatives to the U.S. House of Representatives, state legislature, county board, city council, and school board. This process is done every ten years after a decennial census. Although this process involves all levels of government, the creation of congressional, legislative, county, and municipal districts are completed separately.

Ward? Aldermanic District? What's the Difference?

Wards are not necessarily election districts, although they can reflect them. Wards are administration districts and must stay as permanent as possible. For instance, if a City were to annex land, a new ward may need to be created, but depending on the population of that ward, it may be included in an existing aldermanic district. Aldermanic districts ARE election districts and must, by law encompass entire wards.

Why Change Now?

If growth in all aldermanic districts were equal (including demographically) there is no need to redistrict. But, because physical boundaries have changed, and residential development has expanded in select areas, it is pertinent that the City go through the redistricting process. This will ensure that everyone's vote will count the same, and that they will be equally represented.

What Have We Done So Far?

The process of local level redistricting began at the County level, and has now sifted down to the municipalities. Based on decisions made by the Calumet County Board of Supervisors, which supported 21 supervisory districts for Calumet County, the City of Brillion Common Council passed a resolution establishing Supervisory Wards (adding one) and Aldermanic Districts within the City.

What's the Next Step?

Now the question of Alderperson Terms of Office must be decided by the City of Brillion's Common Council. The Council proposed the Terms of Office as follows:

- The nine alderpersons shall be comprised of two from each of the three aldermanic districts and three at large, with each of the nine alderpersons serving a three-year term.
- The three alderperson at large shall be elected in one year, in the spring election.
- Of the two alderpersons from each aldermanic district, one representing each aldermanic district shall be elected each year, for two consecutive years, in the spring election.

It's Your Move...

To ensure there truly is equal representation for citizen opinion and votes, a public hearing date is set for Monday, September 10, 2001 at 7:55 pm., to hear testimony for or against the proposed Charter Ordinance. If you have any input in defining the City of Brillion Aldermanic Terms of Office, please attend!

If you have any questions about the redistricting process, please contact Lori Gosz, City Clerk/Treasurer at City Hall.

Library News

326 N. Main Street ☐ 756-3215

Mon. Wed. Thurs. Fri. 12 N - 8 pm, Tues. 9 am - 8 pm, Sat. 9 am - 12 N

Reading Road Trip USA a Success!

Thanks to a great bunch of readers, volunteers, and support by parents and businesses! 336 youth participated in the various programs. 5166 books were reported in the Read-to-me program. 6,646 books were credited in the reading program. Great Job!

For program schedules and details, contact the Library.

RESOURCES & MATERIALS

Health & Wellness Resources Available



Thanks to a Calumet Area Community Health Foundation grant, the Library has enhanced its Health & Wellness section. Materials include books on diet, fitness, specific diseases, and women's & men's health issues. Check it out!

New Public Computers Added to the Library

The Library now has 7 public access computers connected to the Internet. Access to Microsoft Office 2000, Microsoft Works, and Print Shop are available on select terminals. Computers can be accessed with a Library card. Youth under 18 must also have a signed parental permission slip on file. Stop in and surf the net!

SEPTEMBER

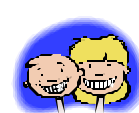
Library Survey

Look for the Brillion Public Library survey in a September Lake to Lake Shopper. Please take the time to answer the questions and return it. All information provided will be used in the Library's planning process.

Calling All Teens!

The Brillion Library Teen Advisory Board will meet in September to advise the library on teen material selection and programs. Want to be a member of this group? Fill out an application today.

Kid's Storytime Starts September 10th!



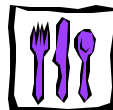
Storytime returns with a 15 week session. The Library will have two (2) weekly Storytime programs - Mondays at 6:30 pm, and Tuesdays at 9:30 am. It's open to all youth preschool through Kindergarten.

Book Talking Held Monthly

The monthly book discussion group meets Tuesdays at 1:30 pm. Featured books are decided by the group, and copies are provided by the Library. Program dates are: Sept. 25, Oct. 23, Nov. 20 and Dec. 18.

OCTOBER

Potluck Book Talking Introduces New Series



The Best Seller Potluck Book Talking series will begin October. Books will be provided by the Library. Programs are potluck, so bring a dish to share. Program dates: Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 13, Jan. 17, & Feb. 21. Time: 6:00 pm.

NOVEMBER

Mitten Tree



You are invited to donate new mittens, gloves, caps, hats, and scarves. The Library will give them to the Salvation Army for distribution before the holidays.

Adopt-A-Tot Programs

Take a tag from the Library tree, and purchase a gift for children who need it most. Bring the gift and tag to the Library for holiday distribution.

Parks, Recreation, Aquatics

Brillion Community Center □ 120 Center St. □ 756-3216

Great New Programs Coming Your Way!

Call the BCC for additional information!

Discover Scuba



Learn to swim with the fish in a convenient one night session! This special program is for people 12 years of age and older. Required participation: 6 minimum, 18 maximum, so sign up today! Monday, Sept. 17, 6:00 pm BCC Pool. Fee: \$15.00

Fall Soccer Clinic Hosted by the Wisconsin Rebels

Saturdays: September 15, 22, & 29th

9 & Under: \$69.00 (8:30-11:30AM)

10 & Older \$89.00 (8:30AM-2PM)



Tennis Camp

Age: 5 & Older

Saturday, Sept. 29th & Sunday, Sept. 30th

Time: 10 am - 12 noon



Flag Football

Open to girls and boys in 1st - 5th grade.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sept. 11th

(Late registrations not accepted.)

Tuesdays: Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 3:30 pm - 5 pm

Fee: \$15.00 City of Brillion Residents, \$20.00 Non-Residents



Volunteer Coaches Needed for Flag Football!

Please contact the Brillion Community Center if you are interested!

Fall Aquatics

Swimming Lessons

The Fall schedule for kids AND adults is available! Check it out by going online at www.ci.brillion.wi.us, or grab a flyer at the BCC!

Water Exercise Starts September 4th!

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:00 am-9:00 am & 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

Daily Fees: \$2.00 Resident, \$3.00 Non-Resident

9X Pass: \$12.00 Resident, \$20.00 Non-Resident

Arthritis Aquatics Class Starts September 4th!

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:00 am -11:00 am

Daily Fees: \$2.00 Resident, \$3.00 Non-Resident

9X Pass: \$12.00 Resident, \$20.00 Non-Resident

Taught by an Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program Certified Instructor.

No need to know how to swim. You are not required to go under water.

Lap Swim

Thursday evening Lap Swim begins Sept. 6th from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm.

Brillion Blue Dolphins Swim Team

Swimmers are trained to compete in exciting dual swim meets. All team

members are required to swim 25 yards of one of the four

competitive strokes the first day of practice. **Swim**

Practice: Oct. 1 - Dec. 14 Mon., Tues., & Thurs., 3:30-5

pm. Minimum: 25 Participants. Call the BCC for fee information.



BCC
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BRILLION COMMUNITY CENTER
CITY OF BRILLION

Questions? Comments?
Programming ideas?

WE WANT TO KNOW!

Call us today at 756-3216.

Brillion Police Department

130 Calumet Street □ 756-2221

Brillion Police Department seeking to become the FIRST ACCREDITED police agency in Calumet Co.

What is Accreditation?

Accreditation is a process of whereby an agency is evaluated on the existence of and its compliance with prescribed standards. Colleges, nursing homes and hospitals have all had accreditation programs for years.

What is the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Program?

It is an agency accreditation program sponsored by the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group (WILEAG) and patterned after the national Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) program but specifically tailored to meet the needs and capacities of Wisconsin agencies.

Benefits of Agency Accreditation

The findings of independent review and achievement of accredited status provide:

- For agencies and agency personnel-
Basis for well deserved enhanced sense of professionalism and pride.
- For communities-
Security in the knowledge that their agencies are well managed.
- For prosecutors-
The assurance that enforcement operations and personnel are consistent and well directed.
- For local officials-
Independent review and evaluation of agency operations.

Process Overview

This is a multi-phase, self paced process. The applicant agency:

1. Adopts and implements the standards.
2. Does an in-depth self-assessment to determine readiness for the on-site assessment.
3. The WILEAG assessment team conducts its on-site review and presents findings and recommendations to the WILEAG Governing Board.
4. The WILEAG Governing Board grants the accreditation to the agency or counsels the agency on the steps necessary to achieve accreditation.

Many Thanks from Parks, Recreation and Aquatics!

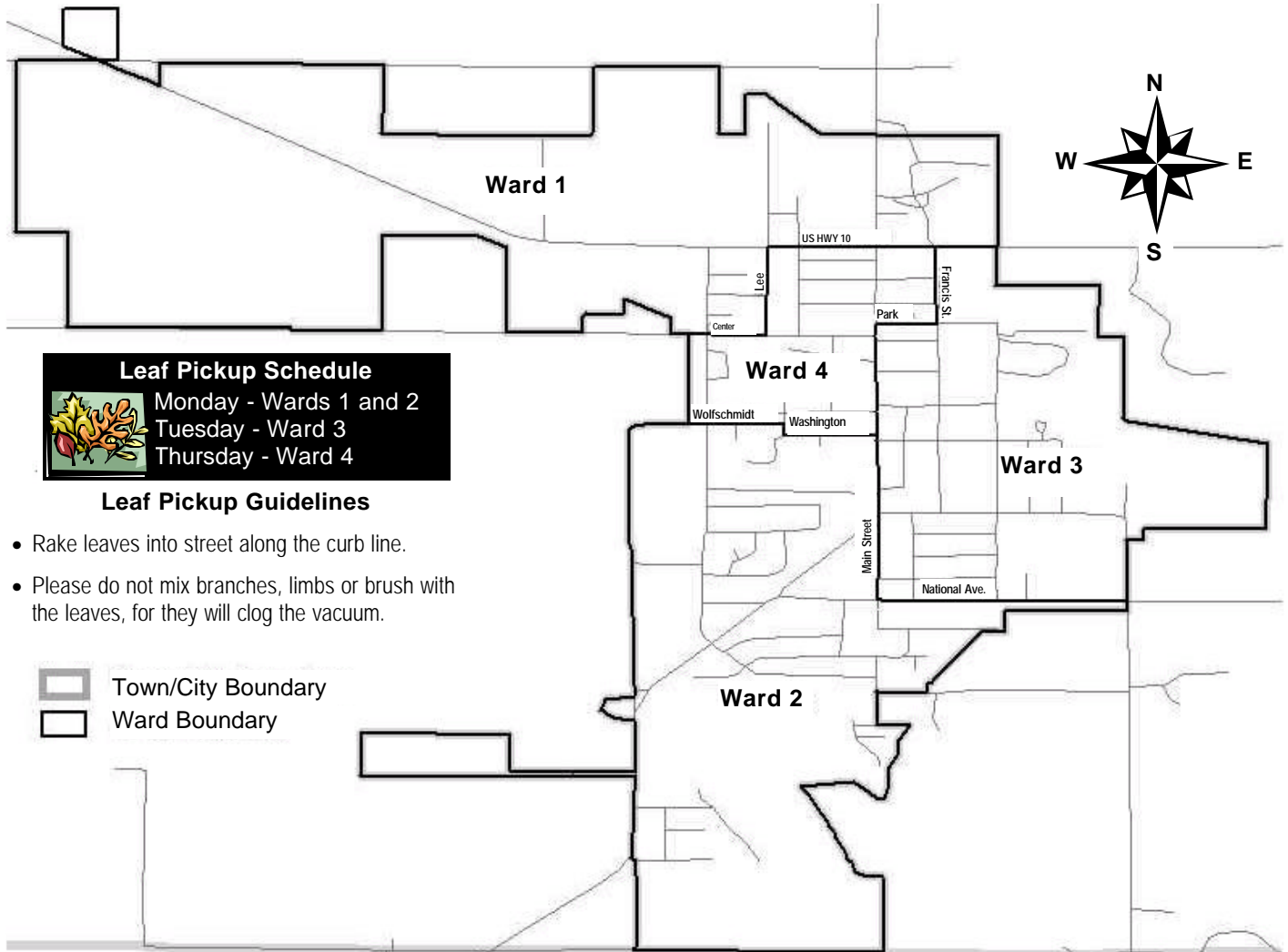
This summer, the Trinity Lutheran Youth Group donated over \$600 to the Brillion Community Center. These funds were used to purchase a new table tennis table and the remaining money was placed into a reserve fund towards the acquisition of new soccer nets. Thank You!

Thank You to all the coaches, instructors and businesses who donated their time and money for this summer's recreational programming season. With the support of our community, the success of this year's programming makes Brillion a "good place to live, work, learn and play!"

City Services Update

Leaf Pickup Schedule

Thanks to the input provided by residents in the 2001 Citizen Survey, the City has established the leaf pickup schedule below. This service will begin October 1st and end with the first snowfall. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 756-2250.



Leaf Pickup Schedule
Monday - Wards 1 and 2
Tuesday - Ward 3
Thursday - Ward 4

Leaf Pickup Guidelines

- Rake leaves into street along the curb line.
- Please do not mix branches, limbs or brush with the leaves, for they will clog the vacuum.

- Town/City Boundary
- Ward Boundary



Curbside Chipping

Please note, the last day for Curbside Chipping for the year 2001 will be the first Monday in October (October 1st). A drop-off site for brush, branches and limbs will be available at the City's Compost Site. Questions? Please contact City Hall at 756-2250.

Recycling Guidelines



Aluminum, Plastic, Glass, Tin, Steel:

May be co-mingled in transparent blue, white or clear bags. Black yard bags are not accepted. All items are to be clean, rinsed out thoroughly, all tops and caps removed.

- Aluminum - rinse out
- Tin containers - remove labels and rinse out
- Steel containers - do not include scrap steel
- Plastics - #1 & #2 (soap & soda bottles, milk jugs)
- Glass containers: clear, brown, green colors. Keep all bottles and jars whole
- Glass items such as cocktail glasses, plate glass, and ceramics are not recyclable.



Cardboard and Paper:

Magazines, newspapers, and chipboard (cereal and cake boxes) may be co-mingled in:

- Brown paper grocery bags
- Corrugated cardboard boxes
- Cereal, cake, and detergent boxes
- Soda or beer 12pack/24pack cartons.

NOTE: Plastic bags accepted to store shredded paper ONLY.

Guidelines for corrugated cardboard boxes:

- Must be flattened and bound.
- Large quantities should be cut into 2' X 2' sections, then flattened and bound.



Batteries:

Must be undamaged and intact, and will be accepted at curbside during normal recycling pickup days.



Waste Oil:

Will be cautiously accepted at curbside if placed in a leak proof covered milk jug. Oil cannot be mixed with any other fluid. Superior Services recommends that residents utilize local garages and their services to change automobile oil for proper disposal of these fluids.



Large Items/Heavy Refuse:

Pick up is scheduled for Mondays. Please make arrangements with City Hall the one week prior to pickup.