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City Council Mission Statement:

Brillion...dedicated to being a great place to Live, Work, Learn, and Play - Together

Council Meetings

If you are interested in attending a City Council meeting, please don't hesitate to do so! All meetings are open to the public. They are held the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Brillion Community Center.

FLAGS ON MAIN STREET

The RDA has decided to keep our Main Street decorated with Flags to honor our veterans and our country throughout the summer. This does come at a cost. If you like what they do for our community and would like to make a donation to maintain this practice, please contact Beth Wenzel or email brillionsbetterdowntown@gmail.com. Flags cost approximately \$25.00. This is a small cost to patronize our country and enhance the appearance of our community.

SIDEWALKS

Our municipal code requires the trees and bushes be trimmed to 8' high and clear of either side of the sidewalks. Please respect the many users of the sidewalks in our community. People shouldn't have to duck and or dodge branches that are overhanging the sidewalks while they are out for an enjoyable walk around our community.

DON'T LET THEM SCAM YOU

The Brillion Police Department often receives phone calls from citizens regarding scams. Several common scams that have been happening in our area are the Sweepstakes winner and the Grandparents scam. Here is how they work.

SWEEPSTAKES WINNER: Wisconsin residents have received fraudulent calls claiming to be from Publishers Clearing House that falsely tell them that they have won a sweepstakes prize. To collect the winnings, however, they are required to pay an upfront fee with a pre-paid debit card (the actual Publishers Clearing House organization does NOT charge a fee to contest winners). The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection reminds consumers that a request from a stranger for money via a pre-paid card is likely a scam.

GRANDPARENT SCAM: Grandparent scams always involve a request for cash tied to a story about an emergency a grandchild is facing. The scammer, posing as the grandchild, will call an elderly citizen asking for money to pay for tuition or textbooks, fix a car, get out of jail or leave a foreign country. After requesting payment by wire transfer, the grandparent is asked by the "grandchild" not to tell anyone else about the situation. A second person claiming to be a police officer, lawyer or bondsman may also call the grandparent to add legitimacy to the story. Chief Mignon advises these people are very good at what they do; they are very convincing and make victims truly believe a loved one is in trouble.

"Wisconsin residents lose thousands of dollars to the grandparent scam every year," said Sandy Chalmers, Division Administrator for Trade and Consumer Protection. "The FBI has been receiving reports about these scams since 2008, and the FTC heard from more than 25,000 older Americans nationwide who reported losing a combined \$110 million through this scam in 2011 alone."

Should you received either of these phone calls follow these few steps

1. Resist the pressure to act immediately.
2. If something sounds too good to be true, it probably is.
3. Do not wire money. The chance of recovery is slim to none.
4. Never provide your bank or credit card account numbers – regardless of the reason.
5. If someone is claiming to be relative in trouble verify the caller's identity by asking personal questions a stranger could not answer. Remember that some impostors research the people they are posing as and can answer basic questions about them.
6. Try to contact the grandchild at a number that you know is accurate or check out the story with a parent, spouse or another close family member before you send any money – even if you have been asked to keep the call a secret.
7. If you cannot reach a family member and still are not sure what to do, call your local police.
8. If you repeatedly receive fraudulent calls, file a complaint with the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. The complaint can be filed online at <https://mydatcp.wi.gov/Complaints/complaint/create/da42c589-da19-e511-af89-0050568c06ae> or you may contact the Consumer Protection Hotline at (800) 422-7128 to request a form by mail.

Please feel free to contact our department (920) 756-2221 with any questions or to stay up to date on the latest scams visit the Consumer Protection website at <http://datcp.wisconsin.gov>, send or call toll-free at 1-800-422-7128. Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.



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2017 Recycling Schedule

West of Main Street

October 11, 25
November 8, 22
December 6, 20

East of Main Street

October 4, 18
November 1, 15, 29
December 13, 27

Copies of the recycling schedule are available at Brillion City Hall or on the City's website: www.ci.brillion.wi.us

City Hall Hours

Monday – Thursday
8:00 am – 4:30 pm
Friday 8:00 am – 3:00 pm



TRICK OR TREAT

Halloween will be celebrated on **October 31st from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm** in the city of Brillion. Please drive safely and watch for all the children (and adults) enjoying their opportunity to trick or treat.

Brillion City Community Drive

Our 30th annual Community drive will run from September 22nd to October 3rd. The Drive was organized to collect money on an annual basis for various community service agencies and non-profit organizations at the local, county and state level (but mostly local).

Recycling DOs and DON'Ts

Paper

Accept:

- Milk, Juice & Soup Cartons
- Cardboard & Paperboard (cereal box)
- Newspaper & inserts, Junk Mail & Office Paper
- Phone Books, Books, Magazines & Catalogs
- Shredded paper (put in brown paper bag & staple shut)

Do NOT accept:

- No Tissue
- No paper contaminated by food or grease

Guidelines: flatten and cut cardboard to no larger than 2'x2'

Plastic

Accept: All plastic bottles and containers:

- Soda, Water, & Other Drink Bottles
- Food & Household Bottles, Jars and Jugs
- Dairy Containers & Lids
- Produce Bakery & Deli Containers

Do NOT accept:

- No Plastic Bags, Wrap, or Film
- No Motor Oil Bottles, No Styrofoam

Guidelines: remove all screw caps and discard, rinse bottles and jugs

Aluminum & Steel

Accept:

- Aluminum Cans and Bottles
- Steel, Tin, and Bi-metal cans, Metal Lids
- Empty Aerosol Cans

Do NOT accept:

- Aluminum Pans or Foil, Empty Paint Cans

Guidelines: rinse cans and bottles, no need to remove labels

Glass

Accept:

- Food and Beverage Bottles and Jars

Do NOT accept:

- No Windows, Ceramics or China

Guidelines: rinse bottles and jars, metal caps and lids should be recycled, discard plastic caps and lids.

Curbside Leaf Pickup:

Curbside leaf pickup will begin the week of October 16, 2017 and will end November 10, 2017 or with the first snow fall, whichever occurs first. The schedule is listed below and may change from time to time depending on collection demands.

Leaf Pickup Schedule:

Monday. Wards 1 & 2
Tuesday. Ward 3
Thursday. Ward 4

When raking leaves into the street, please place them into shallow/small piles along the curb line, one foot away from the curb if possible. Leaves in the terrace area will not be picked up.

Please do not mix branches, limbs or brush with the leaves, for they clog street sweeper. If you wish to get rid of the leaves in a timelier manner, you may take them to the City Compost Site.

2018 Garbage & Recycling Fees

The annual Garbage and Recycling User Fees for the City of Brillion residents will be applied to your 2017 Property Tax bills which are payable in 2018. This amount will be added to the first installment of the property tax bill and will be due by January 31, 2018. The 2018 user fees are:

45 gallon = \$125
65 gallon = \$130
95 gallon = \$138

If you would like to change the size of your barrel for 2018, please contact City Hall by October 31, 2017. Please call city hall with any questions 756-2250.

Brillion Public Library Mission Statement:

"The Brillion Public Library strives to improve the community life by providing free and equal access to information, ideas, and knowledge through books, programs, and other resources, and by preserving the local history."

BRILLION PUBLIC LIBRARY "BOOKS n' MORE"

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BRILLION WI 54110

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920-756-3215

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920-756-3874

E-MAIL
brref@mcls.lib.wi.us

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<http://ci.brillion.wi.us/departments/library>

LIBRARY HOURS:

Labor Day-June 1

Mondays 8-8
Tuesdays 9-8
Wed. & Thurs. 12-8
Fridays 12-6
Saturdays 9-12

June 1-Labor Day

Mondays 8-8
Tues. & Wed. 9-8 pm
Thursdays 12-8
Fridays 12-6
Saturdays Closed

*Check for special holiday hours!

Hazardous Waste Disposal:

Dates, times, and locations for hazardous waste drop off programs being held throughout Calumet County:

Friday, October 13, 9-11 am,
Harrison Public Works
Garage

Appointments are REQUIRED
To make an appointment or
for more information go to
www.calumetrecycles.com.



Wireless Printing

The Brillion Public Library offers you the opportunity to print from a wireless device such as an iPhone or tablet using the library's wireless network. Printing takes place on the Library's copy machine. If you have a need of this service, stop in at the library during library hours. Cost of printing is 15 cents per black and white copy and 25 cents per colored copy.

Coding Club

The Brillion Library will be holding a Coding Club on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 3:30-5pm. The club is open to youth entering 2nd grade and older. Come learn more about coding. Try your hand at programming robots and more.



Halloween Storytime

Come in and join us on Oct. 31st at 3:30 pm for a Halloween Storytime and party. Come in costume!

Homeschooling

The Brillion Library offers a monthly homeschooling session on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 1-3 pm. Anyone with school-age children is welcome to join us for these sessions. A schedule of monthly sessions is available at the library or through the Library's website.

Game Day

The Library is offering a game day on the 4th Monday of the month from 3-6 pm. Stop in and play a variety of games. You can bring along a game to play with others. Come join us!

Fire Department Updates – from Fire Chief Joe Diener

Hello Everyone, It is hard to believe that summer is over and school has started back up again. With that being said I am asking that we all watch for kids both in the mornings as well as after school and slow down as we are approaching the different school zones.

As fall draws near this too means that Fire Prevention Month is also right around the corner, which is the month of October. As our department is once again planning our various fire prevention education materials for the schools it is also a great reminder for all of us to look at some of the different things around our own houses. These items should include the following:

- If there is a fire call 9-1-1 from a neighbor's house.
- Emergency Evacuation plan with a meeting place that everyone knows.
- New batteries in smoke detectors as well as Carbon Monoxide detectors, keep in mind these should be replaced every 5-7 years. Most models will have either an expiration date or a manufactured date on them. When in doubt, throw them out.
- Check your Fire Extinguishers to be sure they are properly charged and adequate for the area they are stationed.
- Everyone knows to Stop, Drop, and Roll if they catch on fire.
- If there is a fire get out and stay out, don't go back in for pets or other materials, leave that to the Fire Department.

I hope that this will help everyone think about fire safety and take the time to check these sometime forgotten items that we should be looking at each month throughout the year. One final reminder, as the colder weather approaches and the leaves change colors and cover your yards, it is against city ordinance to burn leaves in your yard, please use the city compost site located on Gerry Way behind the city garage.

If anyone is interested in joining the Brillion Fire Department we are currently accepting applications, or if you have questions about the fire department please feel free to contact myself either at (920)756-2424, or email at: fd@ci.brillion.wi.us and I will be happy to sit down and explain what it takes and what is expected to be a Brillion Fire Fighter, or answer any other questions you may have regarding the Brillion Fire Department. Be Safe.

BRILLION COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS:

5 Reasons to Enjoy the Calumet County Nutrition Program



REASON #1

Eating a nutritious meal can help you maintain your health and independence!

Studies show that the right diet is especially important for older adults and that poor nutrition is the biggest threat to an older adult's independence. Anyone 60 or older is welcome to join us at our Calumet County meal sites – Brillion, Chilton, Hilbert, New Holstein, Sherwood, and Stockbridge for a hot mid-day meal. **Brillion serves Monday – Thursday at 11:30 at the Brillion Community Center.** Those unable to get to a meal site and deemed eligible can have meals delivered directly to their home 5 days per week. A Hot, delicious mid-day meal is waiting for you!

REASON #2

It's Easy and Convenient!



Congregate Dining: Reserve your meal at any Nutrition Program meal site with just a phone call. Meals are served in a relaxed, group setting. Reservations can be made by noon the day before to have your meal ready the very next day. There is a suggested donation of \$3.75 a meal.

Home Delivered Meal Service: Meals are available to Calumet County residents 60 or older who are frail and essentially homebound due to illness, disability or isolation, and have been assessed to determine that receiving home-delivered meals is in their best interest. There is a suggested donation of \$4.00 a meal.

Call the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) at 920-849-1451 to learn more about Congregate and Home-Delivered Meal Service.

REASON #3

Friendly faces a wait...come to socialize and participate in activities!

Socialization is critical to an older adult's well-being. At a congregated meal site, you'll find friendly faces, a warm welcome and may make new friends. Fun and interesting programs may be scheduled before or after meals. Home-delivered meal participants are greeted with warm smiles and conversation from our Food Transporters and volunteer drivers when meals are delivered.



REASON #4

Be in the Know!

Informational and educational resources are available at congregated meal sites, including nutrition and benefit counseling, current information on aging issues, health screenings and wellness classes. You'll also have access to information from the ADRC on Medicare, Social Security, medical assistance and more.

REASON #5

Serving Smiles....volunteer today!

A variety of volunteer opportunities are available at congregated meal sites, including setting up tables, packing meals, assisting with clean-up, or delivering homebound meals. Volunteers can help out weekly, monthly, or as a substitute. Just 90 minutes of your time can have a great impact on the lives of our participants! For more information on volunteer opportunities, call Volunteer Coordinator Kathy Groeschel at 920-849-1451.

Dog and Cat Licenses Due April 1st

All City of Brillion residents owning a cat or dog that is older than 6 months is required by City Ordinance to purchase a license. License for 2018 can be purchased at the City Clerk's office between Dec. 15, 2017 and April 1, 2018.

License fees:

- \$3.00 spayed or neutered
- \$8.00 non-spayed or non-neutered

A \$5.00 penalty will be imposed after April 1, 2018.



Brillion Community Center Fall Building Hours:

M/W 5:30 AM – 8:00 PM
T/TH 9:00 AM -8:00 PM
Fri. 5:30 AM -1:00 PM
Sat. 8:00 AM-3:00 PM
Sun. 12:30 PM-3:00PM

Phone: 756-3116

e-mail:

parkrec@ci.brillion.wi.us

SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

Per City Code, any person failing to remove either snow or ice from the sidewalk within 24 hours after a snowfall or sleet storm shall be subject to forfeiture, and the city shall have such sidewalk cleared of snow or ice and the expense thereof levied as a special tax against the property, collected as are other taxes. The expense of such snow and ice removal shall be charged at a rate of \$120.00 per hour plus administrative fees with a minimum charge for 1 hour.

* Please shovel your sidewalks within 24 hours after a snowfall.

* Please DO NOT blow or shovel snow back into or across the street

* Please do not pile snow on the sidewalk terrace if your property is in the Downtown District.

* Please keep your sidewalks & sidewalk ramps free of ice & snow.

* Please remove vehicles from the street when the snowplows are in operation.

* Please remove snow from around fire hydrants near your home.