



Village of Black Earth Municipal Office: 1210 Mills St, PO Box 347
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Village Holiday Hours

Office hours will be adjusted as follows:

Monday, January 1 - Closed

Monday, January 15 - Closed



Snow Removal Reminders

In addition to the ordinances referenced below, please also keep the area around your electric and water meters clear. Your Public Works crew greatly appreciates it!

- All vehicles must be moved off of public streets within 12 hours of the end of any snowfall over 1 inch and cannot be parked on the street again until the snow has been cleared by the plows. (Ord. 255-21)
- All snow and ice must be removed from all public sidewalks within 24 hours after the end of any snow event. (Ord. 236-6)
- During a declared Snow Emergency no parking is allowed on any street until all snow has been cleared. (Ord. 255-20)
- It is a violation to allow snow, ice, slush or combination thereof to be shoveled, plowed, dumped, pushed or in any manner placed on a public street, alley, sidewalk or thoroughfare in the Village at any time. (Ord 236-7)

Important Phone Numbers

608-767-2563 Village Main Number

608-257-4285 Pellitteri Waste Systems

608-767-2063 Public Works Department

608-843-0428 Public Works After-Hours
Emergency Line

- Report water main breaks, sewer backups, or other emergencies

608-767-2561 Vanguard Electric

608-235-7737 Vanguard Electric After-Hours
Emergency Line

- Report an electrical outage, downed lines, or other electric emergencies

Report street light outages online:

vanguardelectric.org/street-light-repair-request-form



Property Tax Collection

The first installment of your tax bill is due on or before January 31, 2024. Checks are to be made to The Village of Black Earth. We are not able to process card payments.

Simplify Your Utility Payments

Are you tired of writing checks every month to pay your utility bills? Switch to automatic withdrawal and never worry about late fees or running out of checks again! Your account will be automatically debited on the 21st of each month. Contact our office to learn more about this convenient, no-charge option.

Garbage & Recycling Cart Placement

Please do not place carts in the street or on top of snow piles. Carts should be placed at the end of your driveway and be within two feet of the street or curb area. The carts should be placed on level ground and should be at least four feet from any obstacles such as utility poles, mailboxes, trees, other recycling or garbage carts, and parked cars. The carts' handles should face your house so that the lids open properly when being dumped. Carts cannot be collected if they are improperly placed. In the winter you may need to shovel out areas for your carts as you do for mail delivery.

During or after inclement winter weather, please remember to keep your carts accessible to the trucks by clearing the area of snow and ice to ensure service.

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9:30am to 7:00pm
 Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday: 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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January Activity Grab Bag for Kids

A new bag containing activity sheets, stickers, and a craft will be available starting Tuesday, January 2. Stop by the library or call 608-767-4905 to have a bag set aside.

Winter Early Literacy Play Dates

Tues, January 9, 16, 23, 30 | 11am-12pm

We're taking a short break from storytime, but you can still come to the library and play! Meet up with friends, play with toys, read some books, and just hang out. Each week will feature a different early literacy theme. Learn, grow, explore, and play at the library!

UnBook Club

Saturday, January 13 | 2:30pm

This book club has no required reading - just come hang out and talk about what you've been reading lately! Join the Facebook group to keep the conversation going between meetings, to get updates, and to get a list of books discussed at each meeting.

Crafternoon: Perler Beads

Monday, January 22 | 1pm-3pm

Join us on your day off of school to craft with perler beads! Best for school age kids, but the whole family is welcome.

Teen Advisory Board Monthly Meeting

Monday, January 22 | 3:30pm-4:30pm

Students in grades 6-12 are invited to join us at our next Teen Advisory Board Monthly Meeting. We will be continuing to decorate canvas to create a new "Teen Zone" sign for the library. Come and get crafty, and enjoy plenty of snacks!

Coffee with a Cop

2nd Thursday of Each Month | Free!

9:00am-11:00am

Black Earth Village Hall

**Adult Winter Reading Challenge**

Join our Adult Winter Reading Challenge from January 2 - February 29. Explore your library, foster connections, and read all winter while collecting virtual badges and earning prizes! Paper logs are available in the library, or join us digitally on Beanstack.

Book Discussion

Wednesday, January 17, 10:30am

Join us for a discussion of the book Born a Crime by Trevor Noah. Copies of the book, including audio copies, are available at the library.

Adult Craft Night: Cozy Coloring

Thursday, January 18 | 6:00pm

Join us for a night of cozy coloring! All coloring pages and supplies will be provided at this free event. Coloring pages will be provided at a variety of skill levels, so don't worry about your abilities - just come and have fun!

Save the Date for Trivia Night! -

Friends of the Black Earth and

Mazomanie Libraries

Saturday, February 3 | 7pm - 9pm

Base Camp, 18 Brodhead St, Mazo

Mark your calendars and start forming your teams for the Trivia Night fundraiser with the Friends of the Black Earth and Mazomanie Libraries! Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and trivia starts at 7:00 p.m. Registration is available at the Black Earth or Mazomanie libraries and costs \$15/person in advance, or you can register at the door for \$20/person. The cost of registration includes a light supper. Beverages will be available for purchase. Maximum team size is 10 people, and individuals can be assigned to teams.