



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)
- ⇒ During a declared Snow Emergency no parking is allowed on any street until all snow has been cleared. (Ord. 255-20)
- ⇒ All snow and ice must be removed from all public sidewalks within 24 hours after the end of any snow event. (Ord. 236-6)

Have You Moved?

You must update your voter registration if you have moved since you last voted. Do this now to save time and paperwork later! Check or update your registration at www.myvote.wi.gov

Dog & Cat Licenses

Pet tags are now ready for the 2022 calendar year! Applications must be filled out annually and **must be accompanied by proof of rabies vaccination each year**. Your vet can get this paperwork to you, or they can send it directly to the village via fax at 608-767-2064 or email at beclerk@blackearthwisconsin.com Spayed/Neutered pets are \$17 per pet and Not spayed/Not neutered are \$22 per pet. Applications can be found on the Village website at www.blackearthwisconsin.com, at the Village Hall during our regular business hours, or we can mail the applications to you.

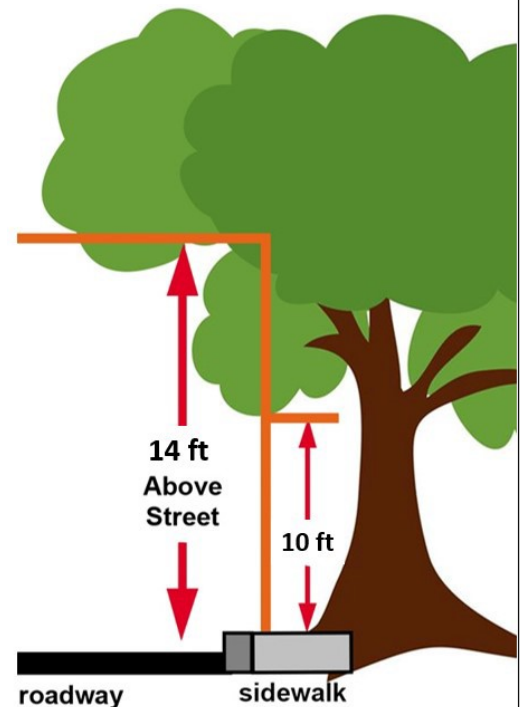
WANTED: Election Workers for 2022

Have you ever wondered how elections are conducted or what all goes on to make an election work? Consider being an election worker! You will learn all about elections and you will be giving back to your community at the same time. Training is provided and you will be paid for your time on Election Day. Contact the Village Office and we will answer any questions you have. Call us 608-767-2563 or email us at beclerk@blackearthwisconsin.com.

The next election will be Tuesday, April 5, 2022. Polls are open from 7:00am to 8:00pm.

A Tree Trimming Reminder

Village Ordinance 236-9 requires the lowest branch of all trees projecting over a public street/alley to have a minimum of a 14' clearance and a minimum of 10' clearance over any public sidewalks. This height requirement allows for safe travel of commercial vehicles and emergency vehicles such as ambulances and firetrucks, and also keeps pedestrians safe on the sidewalk. The Public Works and Vanguard Crews will be out throughout the winter months to ensure any overhanging branches are cut to the appropriate height if they have not already been cut by the homeowner. If you have any questions about tree branches, please reach out to Public Works Director Matt Kahl at 608-767-2063 or publicworks@blackearthwisconsin.com



Black Earth Public Library & Community

LIBRARY HOURS

New hours effective January 3

Monday - Thursday: 9:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

The library will still offer contactless service for those who prefer to pick up holds by appointment. Please call 608-767-4905.

February Activity Grab Bags for Kids

Starting February 1, we will have Activity Grab Bags filled with activity sheets, a foam sticker craft, a sticker sheet, and a stamper available! Stop in to get one, or give us a call to reserve your bag.

Community Art Project

We're making a chain of flowers with the help of the whole community! Craft kits are available at the library's Grab n' Go station. Make your own flower with our kit, bring it back to the library to add to our flower chain, and watch our chain grow! Craft kits are available for all ages of community members and there's no limit on the number of kits you can take.

Teen Advisory Board

Want to help make the library a fun and useful place for teens? Looking to earn some volunteer hours? Well, join our Teen Advisory Board! Our TAB meets monthly and is for students in grades 6-12. New members are always welcome! For more information and to see when our next meeting is, please visit our website, blackearthlibrary.org.

Build Your Own Storytime

Don't forget to visit our YouTube channel anytime for videos of your favorite songs and rhymes to enjoy at home. Plus there will be NEW stories to watch every Monday morning! Go to blackearthlibrary.org and click on our YouTube link, or search for Black Earth Public Library on YouTube.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Club on Beanstack

Go to blackearthlibrary.beanstack.org to get signed up for our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Club. All children from birth until the start of Kindergarten are welcome to join. When you've finished the program, your child will earn a free book and book bag. (Note: If you have already started this program on paper, you may continue on paper or transfer to Beanstack.)

Kanopy

Now available: Stream & enjoy critically-acclaimed movies, inspiring documentaries, award-winning foreign films, and more - right from the comfort of your couch. Get your Black Earth Library card number handy, download the app on your device or navigate to www.kanopy.com to get started!

Hoopla

Hoopla is a groundbreaking digital media service offered by the Black Earth Public Library that allows library card holders to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, or phone – and even your TV! Get your Black Earth Library card number handy, download the app on your device or visit www.hoopladigital.com to get started!

NEW! Senior Exercise Class

Wednesdays at 9:30am

Northwest Dane Senior Services (NWDSS) is offering a free exercise class for seniors. The half-hour class is held on Wednesdays at 9:30am in the meeting room of the Black Earth Village Municipal Building, 1210 Mills St, Black Earth.

Class has a limited size; please call 608-798-6937 to reserve your spot!

ADOPT A PLANTER!

The Village has beautiful planters along Mills Street/Hwy. 78 that are beautified by Vermont Valley Greenhouse yearly and maintained by the Village Public Works crew.

The Village is looking for businesses or folks who would like to "Adopt a Planter" and keep them maintained throughout the summer. Your "adoption" would simply include regular watering.

Please contact the Village Office to adopt your planter today!
608-767-2563

