



Village of Almena

DOG OWNERS

Dog licenses must be renewed annually per state statute. Only half of the dogs licensed in Almena in 2025 have been licensed for 2026. Please stop at the Village Hall with a current rabies vaccination record and fee required for licensing if you haven't done so already.

2026 Pet License Fees:

- \$5 - Neutered / Spayed
- \$10 - Not Neutered / Spayed

CORN HOLE & SOFTBALL PLAYERS

The Almena Community Club is looking for Corn Hole and Softball players to help plan and participate in new community events this year. The Club is gathering ideas and building interest in these two events to add to Almena Fun Days. Whether you are a competitor or just enjoy getting involved, please attend an upcoming Community Club meeting to provide your valuable input. Be sure to spread the word!!

ALMENA EVENTS

April 4th – Easter Egg Hunt at Shadyside Park (Village Hall if bad weather) **10AM**

April 7th – Spring Election @ Village Hall
Polls open 7AM – 8PM

April 13th – Community Club at Village Hall **7:00PM**

April 14th – VFW Auxiliary Baked Potato Dinner & Basket Raffle fundraiser Vets Club **4:30 – 6:30 pm**

April 14th – Village Board at Village Hall **7:00PM**

April 27th – Board of Review Village Hall **8-10AM**

May 4th – Community Club at Village Hall **7:00PM**

May 7th– Annual Brat Feed & Book Sale at Almena school starts at **5:00 – 7:30PM**

May 12th – Village Board at Village Hall **7:00PM**

May 13th– BAMS All School Picnic and Field Day Almena school

May 26th – Memorial Day observance at Shadyside Park hosted by VFW Post 8512 **10:30am**

June 1st – Community Club at Village Hall **7:00PM**

June 9th – Village Board at Village Hall **7:00PM**

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

Pursuant to Sec. 70.45 of Wis. Statutes the assessment roll for the Year 2026 assessments will be open for examination beginning Monday March 30, 2026. Instructional material about the assessment and board of review procedures will be available at that time for information on how to file an objection and the board of review procedures under Wisconsin Law.

Board of Review will hold its meeting on **Monday April 27, 2026** from 8:00 am to 10:00 am at the Village Hall. A 48-hour notice of an intent to file a written objection is required. Please contact the assessor or clerk for more information.

WATER/SEWER: ONLINE BILLS & PAYMENTS

Residents are strongly encouraged to sign up for electronic water/sewer bills to have your utility bill delivered right to your inbox. Sign up by sending a message through the HeyGov payment portal or contact the clerk directly at clerk@vi.almena.wi.gov

Pay bills online using the payment link located on the Village website: <https://villageofalmenawi.com/>
The Village currently does not have an Auto Pay feature available. Online payments are charged a small fee for processing.

SPRING CLEANING/GARBAGE CANS

The Village Board has approved the issuance of a certificate to be used at the Barron County Waste-to-Energy facility. The enclosed certificate is for a one-time use for up to \$25 that expires May 31, 2026. The facility is located 4 miles south of Alma and is open from 8am to 4pm daily. The fee schedule and recycling guide can be found on the Barron County website. <https://www.barroncountywi.gov/waste> Certificates are also available at the Clerk's office. Please stop by Village Hall or call 715-357-6600.

Reminder to residents to please make sure all trash is securely bagged and placed in designated R-Local garbage bins, lids are closed, and bins are placed curbside no earlier than the day before pickup. Garbage bins must be moved away from the curb after garbage is picked up. Large items and garbage placed outside of the bins will no longer be picked up. If you need a second garbage can at your residence, please contact the Clerk's office or R-Local Sanitation.

ALMENA SAFE ROOM & PARK PAVILION PROJECT

After more than four years of discussion and planning, the project has officially been approved! Thanks to a FEMA/WI Emergency Management Grant, 90% of the construction cost will be covered.

The new building will serve as a designated safe room during severe weather emergencies and double as a pavilion for park events. It will feature a kitchen, a serving window, and cafeteria-style seating for up to 72 people—creating a versatile space for both safety and community gatherings.

The Village Board expects to advertise for construction bids in late April and award the contract by June 1. Once underway, the project is anticipated to be completed within 18 months.



VILLAGE HALL RENOVATIONS

The Village Hall is getting a long-awaited interior refresh—its first major update since the building was constructed in 1983. Originally home to several local banks before being purchased by Country Pride (Synergy Co-Op), the building became the Village Hall in 2009.

Renovations are now well underway. The dated wallpaper and wainscoting have been removed, new wainscoting is in place, and the space is ready for a fresh coat of paint. The project also includes replacing the carpet with durable vinyl flooring and installing new ceiling tiles. All improvements are expected to be completed by the end of April.

The Village Hall is available to rent for small gatherings, reunions, and meetings for a \$50 fee. To reserve the space, please contact the Clerk.