

EPHRAIM NEWS



Village of Ephraim Newsletter

Summer 2024

President's Notes.... Dr. Michael McCutcheon:

Can you believe it's August? This summer has gone fast. The Village and its committees have been full of activity. The Ephraim Wetland Boardwalk project has been completed. The funding to complete the project was provided by PRAT and a Wisconsin Coastal Management Grant. Signage and additional trail restoration are to be completed. A new boat trailer parking lot has been completed at the German Road Village property. A new zoning ordinance, known as a Temporary Special Exception "TSE" was created to permit variances in any zoning district to cover unforeseen emergencies. Work on the North End Path and Anderson Dock projects continues.

I ask that you carefully read pages 2 and 3 about Anderson Dock. We have undertaken a community effort to educate the public about Anderson Dock's historical significance and the rules for participating in painting the warehouse so that we can make progress in resolving the graffiti problem. We hope you will join us in this effort.

My thanks to the Village Staff, the Village Committee's, the Ephraim Business Council, the Ephraim Historical Foundation, and of course all of you for maintaining the Village as the **Jewel** of Door County.

Dr. McCutcheon

Planning a Building or Remodeling Project?

As the weather warms and days are getting longer, it's common to think about property projects. Maybe it's a new sign for the business, a shed, or that fence you've been meaning to build for the last couple of years, or perhaps just four poles with a roof to keep your firewood dry.

Please remember that Ephraim requires a permit to build anything "over six inches" in height. That encompasses almost everything!

If you're uncertain about permit requirements, call or email before you start your project.

Structures built without an approved permit are subject to a 5X the penalty fee per day and you may be required to remove the un-permitted item.

Please consult with the Zoning Administrator **BEFORE** you build:

Phone: 920-854-5501

Email: bbristol@ephraim.wi.gov

Many of the forms required can be found on the website: <https://ephraim.wi.gov/zoning-department/>



Photo Credit: Tad Dukehart

Building Inspector:

The Village of Ephraim works with Brett Guilette of Inspection Specialists to provide building inspection services:

Inspection Specialists of Northeast Wisconsin

Brett Guilette

Phone: 920-495-3232

Email: Brettg.isllc@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.inspectionspecialistsllc.com/>

Please refer to the Village website to review Ephraim Zoning Code ([Chapter 17](#)), Ephraim Building Code ([Chapter 14](#)) and the [2024 Fee Schedule](#).



Anderson Dock has always been an icon within the Village of Ephraim and Door County. In its early days, it was the business epicenter of the Village and later on became the social center of Ephraim. The tradition of leaving a mark on the walls of the Anderson Warehouse began when sailors arriving in Ephraim painted the name of their ship and the date on the side of the building to mark their safe arrival in Ephraim. Today what once was a visible reminder of the sailors and ships that arrived in port has now become a log book of visitors to the Anderson Dock Historic Site.

Efforts are required to restore Anderson Dock and Warehouse so that the area remains a cultural and heritage tourist site and endures as the heart of the community for generations to come. The building itself serves as living art providing a sense of place and telling the story of those who came before us. The site is unique, irreplaceable, and unfortunately at this time, vulnerable. The Village wants to see a successful effort to curtail improperly placed graffiti and not lose the traditions associated with the Anderson Dock Historic Site.



The Village has received proposals in response to the Request for Proposal for design engineering for the improvements required for the Dock and Warehouse. The Village intends to move forward with the Capital Project. However, effort is required before the Capital Project to remove the inappropriately placed graffiti and change the behavior of those who visit Anderson Dock. The Village would like to modify these detrimental behaviors through public awareness and education. The focus of the educational initiative will be the preservation of the cultural and historical history of Anderson Dock and what constitutes acceptable behavior during a visit.



Historical Photos Courtesy of EHF

Will you join us in a community-based educational initiative? By sharing Anderson Dock's historical significance and providing the rules and history found below, we can encourage visitors to be mindful of their impact on the site and partner with the Village to be caretakers of the past. Help us to share the history, promote positive behavior, and continue the long tradition for both visitors and residents to enjoy this beloved landmark.



DO'S AND DON'TS OF PARTICIPATING IN THE ANDERSON DOCK TRADITION

It is acceptable to paint your name, just as sailors did over 100 years ago, but we ask that you do so respectfully. Please follow these guidelines to participate in the Anderson Dock tradition:

- The **ONLY** place on Anderson Dock where graffiti is permitted is the siding on the warehouse building **NOT** on the doors, windows, signs, and plaques.
- Do not paint on any of the concrete, break wall, rocks, light posts, light bollards, signage, or trash cans.... Nothing other than the building siding, please!
 - Anything on the interior of the building such as the bathrooms, shall not be painted.
- When painting on the building, painting is not permitted above seven feet (7 ft).
 - Absolutely no ladders, lifts, or scaffolding to assist in painting above seven feet (7 ft).
- Do not exceed the height of the board width of the building siding with your painting.
- No vehicles are permitted on the dock.
- **PERMITTED PAINTS:** Acrylic and latex paints, applied only by a brush no larger than ½ inch in width. The use of a roller is prohibited.
- **PROHIBITED PAINTS/ART SUPPLIES:** Spray paint, enamel paint, and oil-based paints. Sharpies, paint pens, paint markers, and permanent markers are prohibited.
- This is a family-friendly, historic site. Please abide by the following content rules:
 - Names and commemorative dates only, please.
 - No political slogans or statements, prose, or poems.
 - No profanities or improper graphics or images.
 - Leave room for other people.
- Please do not carve into the building.
- §10.03 of the Ephraim Code of Ordinances regulates Graffiti prohibition, abatement, and penalties.

Witness unacceptable behavior? Please contact the Village Administrator at 920-854-5501 Monday-Friday 8 AM - 4 PM. Outside Village office hours, call the Door County Sheriff's Department non-emergency phone number 920-746-2400 to report the vandalism.

ANDERSON DOCK HISTORY QUICK FACTS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• First built in 1858 by Aslag and Halvor Anderson and destroyed by wind in the 1870s.• The first reconstruction was authorized by the Wisconsin State Assembly in 1872.• Fire destroyed the Warehouse and parts of the dock in 1880.• Reconstruction again took place after the fire in 1880.• Throughout the 1880s, ships arrived at the Dock as a port of call for steamships bringing economic vitality to Ephraim by way of trade, merchandise, and tourism.• Aslag Anderson's children inherited the dock after he died in 1892.• Major repairs as part of continued community efforts occurred in 1905, 1913, and 1938.• In the 1930s the warehouse shifted from being a place to store goods to a community gathering place. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In 1949, the Anderson Family sold the dock and warehouse to the Village.• Through the efforts of the Village, the Ephraim Historical Foundation, and residents restorations of the dock and warehouse were accomplished shortly after the Village purchased the property.• Anderson Dock has been a registered, National Historic Site since 1984.• The site is home to two historical markers, the first honoring First Lieutenant Ellis "Gene" Eugene Helgeson Jr. of the United States Air Force who spent many childhood summers in Ephraim and was honored with an obelisk after giving his life for his country in the Vietnam war. The second historical marker is a stone that was erected in 1972 to honor Aslag, Adolph, and Lizzie Anderson who made the dock and store so meaningful to the community of Ephraim. |
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Plan Committee:

The Plan Committee continues to have noon working sessions to review and revise our ordinances. A new ordinance was created to define acceptable construction vehicle parking. The committee continues to work on the Protected Waterfront Ordinance to address permitted roof height for residences in the Protected Waterfront District.

As mentioned in the President's section, a Temporary Special Exception "TSE" was created with the help of our Village attorney, Jim Kalny. Our Short-Term Rental Ordinance seems to be working well.

Brent continues to offer his expert advice and experience on zoning issues to the committee.

Dr. Michael McCutcheon, Committee Chair

Community Protection Committee (CPC):

We are lucky to live in such a safe Village, so this update is mostly a reminder of all the things that are done to hopefully keep it that way! An indication of the start of the season is lowering of the speed limit, with that come strategically placed speed boards to remind visitors and residents alike. Fresh lines and crosswalk signs throughout the Village draw driver attention to pedestrians for safe road crossings. Don't forget to enjoy our lovely sidewalk along the water! Our amazing Fire Department, led by Justin and made up of 22 volunteer members, continues to protect our people and properties with year-to-date 24 fire and 19 EMS calls.

With all the rain, plants are happy and thriving, which brings a reminder of property owner's responsibility to keep vision triangles unobstructed from 2.5 ft to 10 ft above ground. The purpose of a vision triangle is to ensure drivers at intersections can see pedestrians and cross traffic. Please refer to Village Ordinance § 17.15(7) for additional information. Thank you for doing your part!

On behalf of the CPC, we wish everyone a continued safe and happy summer!

Carly Mulliken, Committee Chair

Historic Preservation Committee (HPC):

HPC reviews all improvements proposed within Ephraim's Historic District. Our District includes all properties on both sides of Wis 42 (Water St.) from our southern border just south of Maple Grove Rd. north to approximately Amundsen Ln. Also included are all properties along both sides of Moravia St., as well as all properties between Water St. and Moravia St.

Elements of the improvement that are reviewed include color(s), materials, architectural design, siding and roof type. The review includes not only buildings but also incidental accessory structures, signs and fencing. HPC provides their review comments to the Plan Committee, along with their recommendation for approval or denial. Over the past several years, virtually all of the recommendations made by HPC to the Plan Committee have been accepted.

Ken Nelson, Committee Chair

Marinas and Moorings Committee:

The marina operating season is well underway, with several "tweaks" to facilities, e.g. a slip width adjustment, slip length marking, steps, re-planking and dredging completed and in use. If you see Harbormaster Brent and Committee members Bob Plansky, Bruce Nelson, John Held or BD Thorp around the Village, be sure to thank them for all the planning and upgrades this year.

Our Dock Staff - Assistant Harbormaster Stephan, Josh and Logan are all working to make daily operations smooth, uneventful and relatively free of goose poop - no small task! Hopefully, your most "eventful" topic of discussion will be when the Dockmaster Office door is top coated with white paint over the purple (gasp!) primer.

Tim Nelson, Committee Chair



Photo Credit: Tad Dukehart

Physical Facilities & Utilities Committee (PFUC):

The PFUC has accomplished much-needed updates throughout the Village this year. Projects completed included:

- The Ephraim Wetlands.
- Drainage on County Q.
- Addressing drainage issues for the upper Cherry Street steps.
- Updating the German Road property.
- Repaving of County Q, Anderson Lane, Settlement Road, and Cherry Street.
- Matt Bader joined the maintenance team in February 2024.

None of these would have been possible without the assistance of Brent, Andrea, and Kim at the Administrative Office and the Village Board.

Matt Meacham, Committee Chair

Update of North Ephraim Pedestrian Path:

The Village Board decided to pursue a Pedestrian Path along the Northwest side of Wis 42 (Water St.) after the WisDOT denied permission to put the path within their right-of-way on the southeast side. Our engineering consultant (AECOM) has completed the survey of the northwest side, and the Village has been meeting with property owners to explain the project and review design details. Once those meetings are complete, the design of the path will be finalized. The 6' wide paved path will connect the existing pedestrian crossing at the south end by Waterbury Inn to the crossing at the north end by Summer Kitchen, a length of approximately 3000'. The goal is to complete the design for construction during the off-season of 2024/2025.

The Village of Sister Bay is developing plans to extend their existing path south along Wis 42 up the hill to Town Line Rd. Once the decision is made relative to which side of Wis 42 the Sister Bay path will be on, Ephraim will then decide where to extend our Pedestrian Path to Townline Rd.

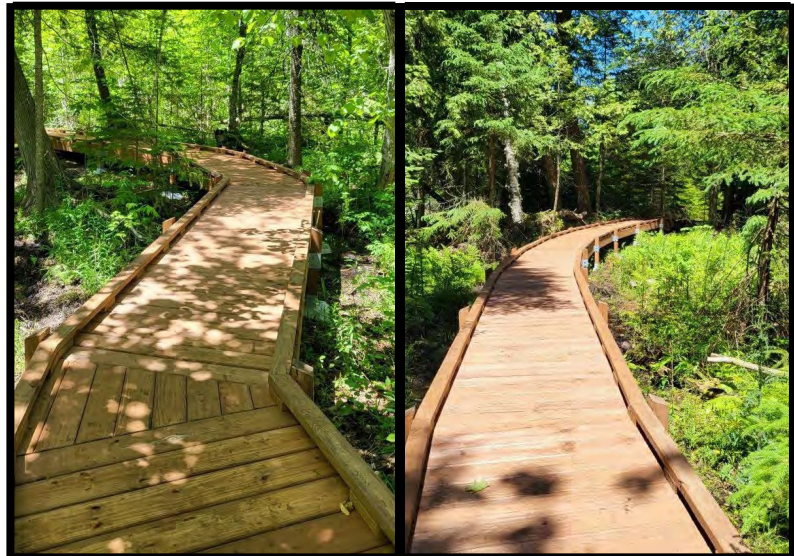
Ken Nelson, Village Board Trustee

Ephraim Library Committee:

Summer is a fun and busy time at the Ephraim Library! Not only are patron counts up, there are lots of activities to take advantage of! We are once again helping the Ephraim Historical Foundation run Child's Play; which are free programs geared towards children ages 4-10 to promote summer reading. Register on EHF's website. You can also enjoy our rotating Story Walk along the path across from the library. And join us for a poster design workshop, sponsored by the Door County Climate Change Coalition, on August 8th at 11:00 a.m. It's for all ages and supplies will be provided.

An update would not be complete without mentioning the annual Fyr Bal Book sale. Thanks to our amazing volunteers it went off without a hitch! As a reminder, we are always accepting donations for the sale. When you stop in to donate or browse our collection of books and DVDs (and more!), we hope you'll notice the new carpet and freshly painted walls. More refreshing to come! Come visit soon and often!

Carly Mulliken, Committee Chair



The new bridges at the Ephraim Wetlands have been installed and are ready for all to enjoy. Photo Credit: Brent Bristol

Flushable Wipes:

Toilet paper is the only thing that's safe to flush!

Product packaging by manufacturers typically labels items as "flushable" but these products can cause sewer backups and jam up sewer pumps because they don't break down. Please refer to the list on this page of items not to flush.

Homeowners pay for repairs when issues occur between their home and the sewer line. Most homeowner insurance policies don't cover sewer-backups, though sewer coverage can be added. Residents can avoid backups by disposing of all products other than toilet paper in the trash.

Photo: City of Roseville, MN



Door County Ready:

Door County will switch to a new mass emergency alerting system called Door County Ready on September 1, 2024.

Get alerted about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for the Emergency Alert Program. This system enables the county to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods.

You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where, you pick how.

To register: <https://www.smart911.com/smart911/login.action?lpse=1>

Holding Tank Pump-outs/ Septic Inspection & Pump-outs:

To schedule a pump-out your holding tank, septic tank, or perform your septic inspection (Ephraim residents only) call 920-854-4991.

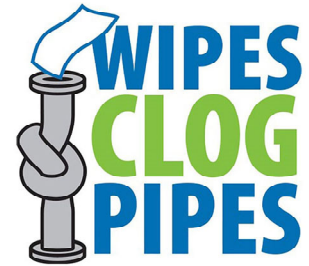
Water Testing:

Water testing meets all State requirements and is available to anyone; a fee will be determined at the time of scheduling and is based on what tests you request. Water testing kits are available at the Ephraim Treatment Plant 24/7 located at 10285 Town Line Drive. Instructions and forms can be found on the Village website:

<https://ephrain.wi.gov/wellwater-testing/>

ITEMS NOT TO FLUSH:

- Flushable wipes.
- Toilet bowl cleaner heads.
- Paper towels.
- Napkins.
- Facial tissues.
- Disposable menstrual products.
- Diapers.
- Disinfecting cleaning wipes



All of these "flushable" items should be placed in the trash.

Who is Responsible for Trees in the Right-of-Way?

Wisconsin State Statute §86.03(1) addresses who is responsible. "Removal of fallen trees: If any tree falls from adjacent land into any highway, the owner or occupant of the land shall immediately remove the tree from the highway."

In the event that the tree falls into the road, the Village along with the County will do their best to clear it out of the roadway so that it does not impede traffic. However, it is the responsibility of the property owner to clean up debris and remnants.

Village of Ephraim Community Portal:

The Village of Ephraim is now able to accept online payments for sewer bills and pump-out invoices. You can register by going to:

<https://ephraimwi.ourcommunityconnect.com/>

Once on the website, you will need your customer number, invoice number and invoice amount (all of which can be found on your sewer bill or by calling the Village office at 920-854-5501). You can then choose to receive your sewer statement by email or you can log on to the portal to make a payment. Please note that there is a convenience fee for making a payment on the portal.

Premier Resort Area Tax:

Premier Resort Area Tax "PRAT" became effective **January 1, 2022.**

Those businesses that may be or think they may be subject to PRAT should contact WI DOR. The Village Administration Office is not responsible for telling a business if they will or will not be subject to the tax.

SHORT-TERM RENTAL HOSTS WHO UTILIZE MARKETPLACE PROVIDER SITES (Airbnb, VRBO, etc.):

- **Applicable Lodging taxes effective January 1, 2022 – 14%:** State Sales Tax (5.0% WI Sales and Use + .5% County Sales and Use), Local Room Tax 8.0%, and PRAT (Village of Ephraim .5%)
- It is the host/property owner's responsibility to check the lodging taxes generated for all online listings.

Questions? Contact the Wisconsin Department of Revenue:

Phone: 608-266-2776

E-Mail: dorbusiness@wisconsin.gov

Subscribe to updates:

Don't miss a notification about a hearing, news post, or Village Board agenda? Subscribe to receive automatic email updates from the Village. To sign up, visit : <https://ephraim.wi.gov/subscribe-to-updates/>

Burn Permits:

Per Chapter 5 of the Ephraim Code of Ordinances the Village Fire Chief issues burn permits.

No burning shall occur until the Fire Chief has issued a permit.

Burn permits are issued for the following:

1. Brush piles and wooden construction debris under certain conditions.

Prohibited types of burning within the Village:

1. Garbage.
2. Asphalt and roofing materials.
3. Waste oil or other oily wastes.
4. Painted or treated wood including composite wood products.
5. All plastic or rubber products.
6. Leaf piles.

To obtain a burn permit, please contact Justin MacDonald, Village Fire Chief:

Cell: 920-495-0039

Email: jmacdonald@ephraim.wi.gov

REMINDER! The Ephraim Code of Ordinances §10.05 - Animals at Large) states that no animal shall be at large within the Village.

An animal shall not be able to leave the property of its owner or custodian.

If the animal is allowed to leave the property boundaries of its owner or custodian the animal must be leashed. Appropriate means of control include a rope, chain, cord, or leash that is strong enough to control the animal and not longer than 4ft.

Animals shall not be on roadways without a leash.

STR property owners should communicate to all renters that they should be in control of their animals at all times as outlined in the Good Neighbor/Property Rules information that should be posted on site for each rental.

Parking Within the Village:

The Ephraim Fire Department provides fire and emergency protection services within the Village of Ephraim. For first responders to do their job effectively, they need access to the areas where incidents may occur which requires unobstructed roadways to reduce community risk.

In many areas of the Village, due to car and trailer parking, emergency vehicles have been challenged by obstructed roadways. This could delay response time and create safety issues in the future, if not addressed. Village Fire Chief MacDonald stresses that emergency vehicles need to be able to access roadways to travel to their destination. When they arrive at their destination, they also need to be able to get close enough to any building to effectively deploy essential emergency services.

We ask that you partner in keeping our roads accessible. Short Term Rental "STR" property owners should take the time and review the Village STR ordinance and communicate in advance with all of their guests that it is **NOT** permissible to park cars or trailers on Village streets. All guests must park on-site in the parking spots indicated on the site plan submitted to the Village of Ephraim with their STR application.

If you or your guest(s) are using Village of Ephraim marina facilities (paying to launch their boat or have a transient dock reservation) the Village does offer options for trailer parking. Your guests can obtain this information directly from marina staff when they launch their boats or check in for their transient slips.



Photo Credit: Tad Dukehart

Contacts for Emergencies:

In the event of any emergencies in the Village which include power lines down, vehicles leaking fluids, fluid spills, car accidents, or smoke in an area from an unknown source, please dial 911. This will be the fastest way to have the correct emergency responders respond to an incident.

For trees across roads you can contact the Village Office Monday thru Friday, 8 AM - 4 PM at 920-854-5501. For instances outside business hours, please contact the Door County Sheriff's Office Non-Emergency number at 920-746-2400 and press Zero to speak with an On-Duty Dispatcher. They will gather your information and then contact the appropriate Village representative.

Justin MacDonald, Fire Chief / Maintenance Manager jmacdonald@ephraim.wi.gov

Reminder to Village Residents utilizing the Brush and Yard Waste Piles:

The Brush Pile is for tree limbs only, please no stumps or large logs. A good rule of thumb is nothing larger than 3" in diameter should be added to the Brush Pile and the brush shall be cut into 3' lengths

The Yard Waste Pile is for grass, leaves, and garden clippings.

No lumber should ever be disposed of in either the Brush or Yard Waste Piles.

We continue to have issues with lumber being disposed of in both piles and ask residents for their cooperation.

*Residents may dispose of their yard waste and brush at 10285 Town Line Drive, anytime from April through November. **Commercial haulers are prohibited.***



Francis Hardy Center for the Arts, Inc. (The Hardy Gallery) News:

When I started almost 10 years ago as the Executive Director at the Hardy Gallery, I was immediately struck by the vibrant community-engaging programming our small organization produces each year. Among these, the Community Mosaic Project shines brightly, celebrating its 17th anniversary this year. This unique initiative offers free participation with 6x6 canvases generously donated by our local art supplies store, Artists Guild. Community members are invited to create original works of art on these canvases and proudly see their pieces displayed in our gallery during the busy months of July and August.

Over the years of managing this project, I've been touched by countless stories about its profound impact. Many participants return year after year, finding joy and fulfillment in contributing. The happiness this project brings to over 300 participants annually is truly inspiring and underscores the vital role we play as arts administrators in a community that cherishes the arts.

Most contributors to the project don't consider themselves artists; they simply enjoy the creative process and take pride in seeing their work displayed alongside others in a large mosaic. The natural beauty of Door County, from the water and wildlife to iconic landmarks like lighthouses and Wilson's Ice Cream Parlor, serves as endless inspiration. Year after year, people eagerly explore the mosaic wall, admiring the diverse artworks. This project exemplifies how the arts bring people together.

The arts have a powerful impact on a community, enhancing its social fabric, encouraging civic engagement, and strengthening social cohesion. They elevate the quality of life and bring immense value to the community. When individuals support the arts, the entire community benefits. These principles are encapsulated in The Hardy's motto, "Art Is The Reason." Our goal is to make a positive impact on people of all ages and artistic levels, offering opportunities for emerging talents to gain confidence and forge meaningful connections with the arts. Our Community Mosaic Project exemplifies this mission by providing inclusive access and connection to the arts for everyone, attracting over 8,000 visitors each year during its 6-week exhibition.

Sarah Zamecnik, Executive Director



Ephraim Business Council News:

The Ephraim Business Council has had a busy start to the season! On June 15 we celebrated the start of summer with the 59th Fyr Bal Festival. We take great pride in planning the annual event to ensure we highlight the unique components that are tied so deeply into the history of our Village. We were happy to carry on with one of those traditions by crowning Betty Chomeau as the festival's Chieftain. We look forward to celebrating the **60th Fyr Bal Festival on June 21, 2025!**

We continue to embrace the summer season at Evenings in Ephraim held every Monday until August 26. The Bondemarked farmers market brings local vendors to the grass lots next to the Red Putter from 3:30-6:30 and concerts follow at the Harborside Park gazebo from 6:00-8:00. Visit our website, www.ephraim-doorcounty.com, for the schedule of performers and make sure you explore the site to find our new events calendar and member business information.

Stay up to date with the Ephraim Business Council by following us on social media. You can find us on Instagram as "ephraim_wi" and Facebook as "Ephraim - Door County, Wisconsin."

Lane Methner, Tourism Administrator



Village of Ephraim Short-Term Rental "STR"

Ordinance:

****License Required: No owner shall allow property under their ownership or control to be used as an STR without obtaining and maintaining a Village of Ephraim license.****

Village of Ephraim STR license will be renewed annually, on or before November 30 of each year.

If your property meets the definition of a short-term rental and has been issued, or would otherwise be subject to a State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP) Tourist Rooming House License (TRH) your property will be required to obtain a Village of Ephraim STR license.

For more information on licensing, please contact Kim at office@ephraim.wi.gov or visit the short term rental page on the Village website: <https://ephraim.wi.gov/short-term-rentals/>



Photo Credit: Tad Dukehart

Have a Complaint about a Village of Ephraim Short-Term Rental (STR)?

Please allow the owner or the designated agent the opportunity to rectify the issue. You can use the contact information provided to you via the neighbor notification letter (if the property is in a residential district). If the issue(s) continue, please reach out to the Village of Ephraim to document the matter. Complaints made to the Village of Ephraim must be in writing (no phone calls will be accepted). Written correspondence will allow the Village to maintain a written, accurate record. All communication must be submitted via email and should be directed to bbristol@ephraim.wi.gov

IN AN EMERGENCY, CALL 911.

You can also report a complaint to the State of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture Trade and Consumer Protection by calling 608-224-2714 or emailing datcpfoodcomplaintemergencyresponse@wi.gov

Green Tier Ad Hoc Committee:

Green Tier is an Ad Hoc Committee for the Village of Ephraim that helps support sustainable, efficient and environmentally sound practices for the village. We work collaboratively with other set village committees. We also participate in the county wide Green Tier brainstorming sessions that happen twice a year and the state conferences that occur quarterly.

Our first Ephraim Clean Up Day was held on June 1 - a resounding success with 5 garbage bags full and about 20 people participating. Watch for next year's date - in early May. Clean Marina certification will be completed by the end of the summer. The Green Tier goals for 2024 include pursuing water filling stations, food pantry donation magnets for STRs, battery collection sites, and signs for the newly renovated Wetlands.

Are you a person interested in the above issues? We are looking for another member to fill a spot that was recently vacated. Current members are Mike McCutcheon, Bruce Nelson, Jeff Lutsey, Lane Methner and Cindy Nelson, Chair. Come join us as we move Ephraim into sustainable, climate friendly practices.

Cindy Nelson, Committee Chair

Recycling DOs & DON'Ts



Paper, Cardboard

- * Clean
- * Flattened



Plastic, Glass, & Metal

- * Rinsed,
- * Not flattened
- * No caps or lids



NOT Recyclable

- * also: no "tangles" like wire and hose



For questions regarding local recycling best practices, contact
Going Garbage:
www.goinggarbage.com



Absentee Voting:

There are several ways to request and vote absentee for registered voters. The request must be made no later than **5:00 PM on the Thursday before the election. Photo ID must accompany your application.** Military and permanent overseas voters do not need to provide a photo ID with their request.

Online. You may request an absentee ballot online by visiting <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> and clicking "Vote Absentee".

By Mail. Send your complete and signed Application for Absentee Ballot Application form (EL-121 absentee ballot application) and mail it to your municipal clerk's office. The application must be received no later than 5pm on the Thursday before the election.

By Email: send an email (acollak@ephraim.wi.gov) with a copy of your photo ID attached. If you do not attach Application for Absentee Ballot to your email, please provide the following information in the text of your email:

- Your Full Name
- Voting Address
- Specific election for which you would like a ballot **or** if you are requesting for the calendar year.

Mailing address for the absentee ballot (if different from your voting address)

Deadline for Returning Your Absentee Ballot

Your complete absentee ballot must be delivered no later than 8:00 PM on Election Day. The US Postal Service recommends you mail your absentee ballot one week before Election Day to ensure it arrives in time. You may hand-deliver your absentee ballot to your polling place by 8:00 PM on Election Day.

Permanent Absentee Ballot

Voters who are indefinitely confined, meaning they have a difficult time getting to the polls due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability, may request that a ballot be automatically sent to them for each election. Indefinitely confined voters do not need to provide a photo ID with their absentee ballot request. Voters on the permanent absentee ballot list must vote in each election or they will be dropped from the absentee ballot rolls.

In-Person Absentee Voting: You may vote In-Person Absentee Voting, also known as "Early Voting" – at the Clerk's office beginning the second Monday prior to election day and ending on the Friday before election day. In person absentee voting hours are 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM, Monday – Friday.

Voter Registration:

Are you registration ready for the next election? If you are unsure about your registration status, please review the following questions to help you get on the right path.

- Has your name changed since the last time you voted?
- Has your address changed since the last time you voted?
- Has it been more than four years since you last voted?

If you answered yes to any of the above, you may need to re-register. Start by visiting <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> to verify your registration status. If you need to register and Ephraim is your primary residence, you can do so online on <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> or you can stop by the Village Administrative office (10005 Norway Street), Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Be sure to bring your Driver's License and proof of residence. For more registration information or accepted documents visit <https://elections.wi.gov/> to register or contact the Village Clerk at acollak@ephraim.wi.gov or 920-854-5501.

Polling Location:

Village of Ephraim residents vote at the Village Administrative Office located at 10005 Norway Street, Ephraim WI 54211. Wisconsin municipalities have uniform polling hours beginning at 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM.

Future Election Dates:

- **August 13, 2024: Partisan Primary**
- **November 5, 2024: General Election**



Photo Credit: Tad Dukehart

CONTACT US:

Ephraim Administrative Office

Phone (920) 854-5501

Fax (920) 854-2072

Or visit us on the web at ephraim.wi.gov



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bbristol@ephraim.wi.gov

Clerk/Treasurer – Andrea Collak

acollak@ephraim.wi.gov

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