



# Yorkville News

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## 2014 Public Budget Hearing

The public hearing for the 2014 Town budget is scheduled for November 18, 2013 at 7 p.m. at the Town Office at 925 15th Avenue, Union Grove. The Town Board room is located on the second floor on the east end of the building.

The proposed 2014 budget will be presented during the hearing. The 2013 tax levy (to be collected in 2014) and the amount of 2014 highway expenditures will be approved.

Following the hearing, the Town Board will meet to adopt the official 2014 budget.

A summary of the proposed budget appears on Page 5 of this newsletter. A copy of the detailed budget may be studied at the Town Office prior to the date of the hearing. Our office is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.



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## Greetings from the office of the Clerk-Treasurer

I want to formally introduce myself, Michael McKinney, to residents of the Town of Yorkville, as I officially took over as Clerk-Treasurer on September 3, 2013. I replaced Judy Aimone, who admirably served as Clerk-Treasurer for 16 years and as Treasurer for 20 years before that. I have four years of experience, having worked for municipalities in Wisconsin and Minnesota. As Clerk-Treasurer, my goal is to provide the same level of service to Town residents to which they are accustomed. I definitely have big shoes to fill, but I know that Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Tammy Ruggaber and I will work hard to make sure that the level of service you receive does not change. As a native of New Berlin, I spent most of my life in the state and graduated from UW-Oshkosh in 2000 and UW-Milwaukee in 2009. Outside the office, my interests include fishing, kayaking and hiking.

I want to sincerely thank the Town for providing me with this opportunity and I look forward to meeting each and every one of you!

### Holiday Closings:

Our office will be closed:

November 28 & 29

December 24 & 25

January 1st

(We are open normal hours on December 31)



## Recent Activity in Yorkville

The Town of Yorkville has seen a significant number of building permits issued in 2013, especially for new home construction. New home permits issued in 2013 include the following:

- 18701 Walden Drive
- 17909 Washington Avenue
- 15714 Braun Road
- 15228 Braun Road
- 15000 56<sup>th</sup> Road
- 2310 Thoreau Court
- 2300 Thoreau Court
- 18208 65<sup>th</sup> Court



Several building permits were issued in 2013 for other major projects, including office and warehouse remodeling and additions.

The Town Board and Plan Commission approved the following requests in 2013:

- 19031 Spring Street – Site plan for storage unit remodeling
- 20815 Durand Avenue – Site plan for recycling facility construction
- 2209 S Colony Avenue – Site plan for milk packaging facility construction
- 1901 S Colony Avenue – Site plan for increase of number of cars allowed to be sold on the property
- 200 S Sylvania Avenue – Site plan for office building construction
- 14000 Leetsbir Road – Site plan for a business repairing ambulances and fire trucks
- 1520 S Sylvania Avenue, Units 315-316 – Occupancy for temporary road construction office space
- 1520 S Sylvania Avenue, Units 307-310 – Occupancy for a custom millwork company
- 13815 Leetsbir Road – Site plan for a recreational vehicle sales and service business
- 2319 Raymond Avenue – Conditional use permit for an addition to an existing commercial building along with construction of a warehouse and loading dock area and an increase in the number of employees and truck traffic allowed on-site
- 18917 Spring Street – Site grading and storm water runoff and management plan
- 625 61<sup>st</sup> Drive – Conditional use permit for a limited-use off-road trail
- 18701 Walden Drive – Shoreland contract for a home
- 1520 S Sylvania Avenue, Units 312-314 – Site plan for an office and warehouse facility focusing on prototyping
- 14001 Washington Avenue – Conditional use permit for outdoor improvements to the restaurant property
- 2319 Raymond Avenue – Conditional use permit to increase the number of employees allowed on-site
- 1520 S Sylvania Avenue, Units 305-306 – Site plan for an asbestos, lead, mercury, and mold remediation and abatement business



- 2319 Raymond Avenue – Holding tank and pumping agreement
- 14120 58<sup>th</sup> Road – Holding tank and pumping agreement
- 14922 Washington Avenue – Variance to construct an accessory building exceeding the allowable building height
- Storm water Lateral # 5 on 50<sup>th</sup> Road – Shoreland contract for storm water lateral cleaning/maintenance
- 2319 Raymond Avenue – Conditional use permit and site plan for a loading dock and driveway and to conceptually permit a freezer addition
- 20815 Durand Avenue – Conditional use permit and site plan for construction of a commercial building and a lot line adjustment
- 5006 S Sylvania Avenue – Site and master plan update permitting additional kiosks on the property
- 1500 S Sylvania Avenue, Unit 108 – Occupancy for an engineering consulting firm, focusing on manufacturing and product development

### Upcoming Recreational Events

A new session for Tiny tot tumbling will start in January for kids ages 18 months to 6 years old. Sessions run every other Wednesday night, to the middle of April, and the cost is \$60 per child.

Girls softball, youth t-ball, and coach pitch registration will be held in February.

- **Tee Ball** – The T-Ball program is designed for children 4-5 years of age. They are taught the fundamentals of baseball and good sportsmanship while underplaying the importance of winning. Games are played on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 6:00 and 7:00 p.m. at various Union Grove Fields.
- **Coach Pitch** – Coach Pitch is for children 6-8 years old. They are taught the fundamentals of pitching and being pitched to, while still under-playing the importance of winning. Games are played on Mondays & Wednesdays at 6:00 and 7:00 p.m. at various Union Grove Fields.
- **Girls Pinto, Junior, and Senior Fast pitch Softball** – This program is for girls between the ages of 8–10 (Pinto), 11-12 (Junior), and 13–15 (Senior). This program is associated with the Racine County Softball League. Practices begin late April, with games starting in late May. There is some traveling involved with games being played in Raymond, Caledonia, Sturtevant, and Wind Lake. There is also a league tournament and an all-star game to highlight the season.



Please watch for the advertisement that is sent to the schools or visit our website in January for registration info.

The next session of Spirit Team ( cheerleading ) will run January to April. Registration will be held in December for kids ages 4-13 and the cost is \$60 per child.

#### **INDOOR WALKING PROGRAM, November – April**

Walking program – This program is offered through the High School. Adults may walk the halls between the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 7:15 a.m. There is no charge for this program. All participants must sign-up at the Village Hall, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Please visit the Parks and Recreation page, on the Village of Union Grove’s website, for further details. As always, we welcome new ideas! Feel free to contact Kim Terpstra at 262.902.7917. [www.uniongrove.net/recreation-2](http://www.uniongrove.net/recreation-2)



## Recycling Center Guidelines

The Yorkville Collection site and Recycling Center is open on Saturdays from 8 am to 3 pm and on Wednesdays from 1 pm to 5:30 pm. It is located at 19040 Spring Street (Highway C) east of Highway 45.

Here's a guideline to follow:

\* Glass jars and Bottles are accepted but NO light bulbs, dishes, drinking glasses, window glass or mirrors.



\* Plastic containers (#1-7) are accepted but no motor oil bottles, chemical containers, paint containers, anti-freeze jugs, large plastic objects, siding, or pipe.

\* Cans are accepted but no paint cans, spray paint, pots & pans, wire coat hangers, car parts, or other metals.

\* Other recycled objects include soda & beer cans, tires, batteries, electric motors, televisions, computers, fluorescent bulbs and fixtures, and microwaves.

### ***Items not accepted***

- grass clippings
- leaves or yard waste
- lumber or tree branches
- hazardous materials
- drain oil
- explosives
- rocks, bricks, or concrete



## Here's What's Happening at the Graham Public Library

**Merry Monogram Ornaments Workshop** People of all ages are welcome to make a monogrammed ornament on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 pm for only \$1. Ornaments make a great gift for grandparents and/or teachers. Registration and the \$1 fee are required in person. Additional ornaments are available for purchase the night of the workshop.

**AARP Tax Assistance** AARP tax assistance will be available at the Graham Public Library on Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 am from February 1st through April 5th. No reservations are needed. Tax assistance is provided on a first come first serve basis. Call 262-994-5599 with any AARP questions.

**Energy Services for Racine County may help!** The second Tuesday of the month from October through March from 9 am – 2 pm, those seeking home energy assistance can come to Graham Public Library. Applicants must provide their most recent energy bill, social security cards for all members of their household, photo ID, and written proof of the household's gross income for the 3 months prior to application. An appointment must be made, Call 262-633-6000.

**Crafter's Group** This group meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. All types of crafts and crafting levels are welcome. Bring your project to the library, no matter what stage it's in, and join fellow crafters for conversation, fun, and creative ideas. No registration needed.

**Book Discussion Group** Attention book lovers! Do you like to discuss books with other avid readers? Library staff will select a "book of the month" and we will meet to discuss our ideas, interpretations, and opinions of the book. Stop by the circulation desk to register one month prior to the discussion then check out and read the book! Group meetings are scheduled for the last Monday evening of the month from 6:30-8 p.m. Pre-registration is required.

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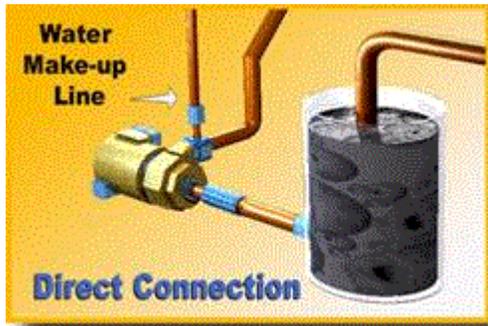
## THE PROPOSED 2014 BUDGET

General Fund	2013	2014	
Revenues	Current Budget	Proposed Budget	Percent Change
General Property Taxes	\$ 1,014,503.00	\$ 1,012,781.00	-0.17%
Utility Payments in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 17,714.00	\$ 17,714.00	0.00%
Other Taxes	\$ 78,675.00	\$ 67,354.00	-14.39%
Special Assessments	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 165,853.00	\$ 172,625.41	4.08%
Licenses and Permits	\$ 68,100.00	\$ 78,500.00	15.27%
Fines, Forfeitures and Penalties	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	-50.00%
Public Charges for Services	\$ 48,086.00	\$ 48,336.00	0.52%
Intergovernmental Charges for Services	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,250.00	12.50%
Other Financing Sources	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,395,931.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,400,060.41</b>	<b>0.30%</b>
Cash Balance Applied	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
<b>Total Revenues and Cash Balance Applied</b>	<b>\$ 1,395,931.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,400,060.41</b>	<b>0.30%</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
General Government	\$ 316,167.00	\$ 298,531.41	-5.58%
Public Safety	\$ 234,417.00	\$ 251,094.00	7.11%
Public Works	\$ 778,197.00	\$ 783,285.00	0.65%
Health and Human Services	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,500.00	2.00%
Culture, Education and Recreation	\$ 20,650.00	\$ 20,650.00	0.00%
Conservation and Development	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 21,000.00	-2.33%
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Debt Service	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Other Financing Uses	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 1,395,931.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,400,060.41</b>	<b>0.30%</b>

All Governmental and Proprietary Funds Combined	Fund Balance 1/1/2014	Total Revenues	Total Expenditures	Fund Balance 12/31/2014	Property Tax Contribution
General Fund	\$ 646,524.01	\$ 1,400,060.41	\$ 1,400,060.41	\$ 646,524.01	\$ 1,012,781.00
Yorkville Storm water Utility District	\$ 155,042.00	\$ 55,100.00	\$ 201,490.00	\$ 8,652.00	\$ -
Yorkville Sewer Utility District	\$ 323,354.00	\$ 251,630.75	\$ 356,684.00	\$ 218,300.75	\$ -
Yorkville Water Utility District	\$ 628,961.00	\$ 247,604.00	\$ 171,843.00	\$ 704,722.00	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,753,881.01</b>	<b>\$ 1,954,395.16</b>	<b>\$ 2,130,077.41</b>	<b>\$ 1,578,198.76</b>	<b>\$ 1,012,781.00</b>



## What is a Cross Connection?



A **cross connection** is any actual or potential physical connection between a potable water line and any pipe, vessel, or machine containing a non potable fluid, or has the possibility of containing a non potable fluid, solid or gas, such that it is possible for the non potable fluid, solid or gas to enter the potable water system by backflow.

The common garden hose is the most common type of **cross connection**.



Cross connections need to be avoided at all costs.

Consult your local plumbing inspector or your friendly plumber for some advice on the correct methods and devices you can use to prevent cross connection.

Contaminated water with bacteria, toxins or foreign objects can cause serious illness or even death.



## ***News from the Fire Chief***

I hope everyone has had time to enjoy the relatively mild temperatures we've had recently and safely participate in all the activities and events going on this fall in our area!

It seems so many things need to be mentioned in the Village and Town newsletters, I would like to invite you to visit our redesigned Union Grove – Yorkville Fire Department website as well: <http://www.ugyfd.com> Though still being updated, I encourage you to take a look.

There are many topics there, such as burning information, safety information, membership information, and local ordinances. We will be able to post emergency announcements as they occur, such as burning bans and road closures, in the event of severe weather or incident occurrences.

Though Fire Prevention Week has passed, please find DW's Page, under the Fire Prevention tab on our website, for your children to learn and play fun games and activities! On the Public Safety page, you will find helpful links for emergency planning, preparedness, and safety tips for your family.

I cannot pass the opportunity to share with you some interesting and important items related to this year's Fire Prevention Week theme, 'Prevent Kitchen Fires.'

In 2011, there were 370,000 home structure fires with \$6.9 billion in direct damage – 2 of 5 home fires start in the kitchen.

Between 2007-2011, there were an annual average of 156,600 cooking fires with \$853 million in damage annually.

Unattended cooking was a factor in 34% of reported cooking fires.

Ranges account for 58% and ovens for 16% of kitchen fire incidents.

Microwave ovens are associated with scald burns; 44% of microwave oven injuries were seen in the ER in 2011.

In most years, heating is the second leading cause of home fires, fire deaths, and fire injuries. Fixed or portable space heaters are involved in about 4 out of 5 heating fire deaths.

The leading factor contributing to heating equipment fire was failure to clean, principally creosote, from solid fueled heating equipment, primarily chimneys.

During 2007-2011, candles caused 3% of home fires, 4% of home fire deaths, 7% of home fire injuries, and 6% of direct property damage from home fires.

Almost two-thirds (62%) of reported home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.



With all these statistics, I urge you to check your smoke alarms, put in new batteries, test the device, be sure you have purchased and installed a carbon monoxide detector and discuss your escape plan with family members should a fire start in your residence. In the meantime, look forward to a great Wisconsin winter! Please stay fire safe and remember in any life threatening situation, call 911 and we will be there promptly, professionally and as your neighbors.

***Chief Czerniak***

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**Preschool Story Time** will be held Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am. This program is designed for children ages 2-4 with an adult/caregiver. Preschool Story Time includes simple stories, songs, finger plays, and movement for the "active" set. Pre-registration is not required.

**Snuggle Bugs Story Time** will be held Wednesday mornings at 10 am. This program is designed for **pre-walkers** (crawlers & those not yet comfortable being totally vertical) with a parent or caregiver. Pre-registration is not required.

**Family Story Time at Graham Public Library** The second Thursday of the month, at 6:30 pm, join Ms. Kathy for Family Story Time. These sessions are for any age and any number of family members. Families gather at the library for stories, songs, crafts, and fun. Pre-registration IS required.

**Make-N-Take** Every Friday between 10 am and 2 pm, stop in with your preschooler and make a super simple, self-directed art project for free! Supplies and directions are provided. Registration is not required.