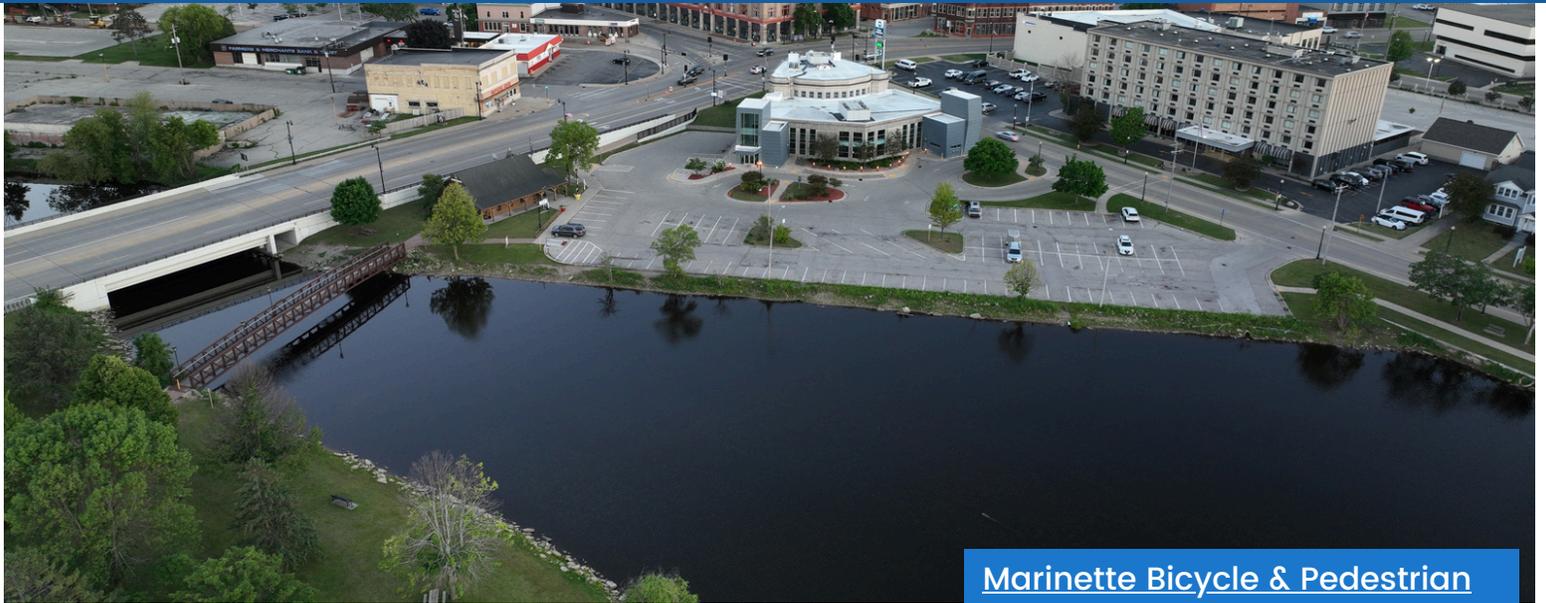


Newsletter

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City Improvements

Marinette Funding Priorities Survey

The City of Marinette is once again gathering community input on funding priorities to help guide future projects and investments. This process allows residents to share what matters most – whether it’s improving infrastructure, supporting public safety, enhancing parks and recreation, or strengthening community programs. By identifying these priorities together, we can ensure that resources are directed where they will have the greatest impact on our community’s quality of life and long-term growth. Your input is important – please take a moment to complete this one-question survey and share your top two priorities to help shape Marinette’s future.

If you have suggestions that aren’t included in the survey options, we’d love to hear them. Please contact the Mayor’s Assistant at krogers@marinette.wi.us to share your ideas directly. Your feedback helps guide future decisions for our community.



Fill out the survey here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V6HVTHW>



Marinette Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan: Share Your Voice!

The City of Marinette is developing a Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan to create a safe, accessible, and connected network for walking and biking. The plan will outline key improvements, highlight benefits like better health, reduced environmental impact, and economic growth, and is guided by community input. We encourage you to explore the website, share your feedback, and stay involved as the plan takes shape!

Join us at the public meeting on **October 6, 2025**, at the Community REC Center, RM 124, from 5:30 pm to 7pm to discuss further.

Want to Get Involved?

1. Take the community survey
2. Explore the City of Marinette Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan mapping tool
3. Submit your comments. Let us hear your voice

You can do that by visiting the link below.

<https://tinyurl.com/s3h7z48j>



Notice of Spring Election

An election will be held in the City of Marinette on **Tuesday, April 7, 2026**, for municipal offices with terms beginning April 21, 2026. Each office carries a three-year term expiring in April 2029. The Municipal Court Judge also serves a three-year term, ending May 1, 2029. If a Spring Primary is necessary, it will be held on **Tuesday, February 17, 2026**.



The first day to circulate nomination papers is **December 1, 2025**, and the final day to file candidacy paperwork is **January 6, 2026, at 5:00 PM** in the City Clerk's Office. Incumbents not seeking re-election must file a notification of non-candidacy by **December 26, 2025**.



The following Municipal Officers shall be elected to succeed:

- Marinette Municipal Court Judge
 - Current Incumbent - John LaCourt
- Marinette Alderperson Municipal Ward No.3
 - Current Incumbent - Doug Oitzinger
- Marinette Alderperson Municipal Ward No.7
 - Current Incumbent - Rick Polzin
- Marinette Alderperson Municipal Ward No.8
 - Current Incumbent - Tom Karban

For information on ward boundaries or required forms, contact the **Marinette City Clerk's Office, 1905 Hall Avenue**, or call **715-732-5140**. Acceptable photo ID is required to vote.

Water Department

Keeping Water bill costs low in the winter

As winter sets in, keeping an eye on your water system isn't just about avoiding damage—it's also about saving money. Small issues can quickly add up, leading to unexpectedly high water bills. A little prevention now can help keep costs down all season long.

Here are three ways to help prevent high water bills this winter:



Keep a lookout for leaking/burst pipes



Fix running toilets as soon as possible



Check humidifier settings on your furnace

Mercury Awareness

Mercury is a silver liquid metal once used in items like thermometers, thermostats, and fluorescent lights, and there is no safe amount in your home. Even small spills release harmful vapors, making mercury dangerous and requiring immediate cleanup. Residents can **safely dispose of mercury lightbulbs at the Marinette Wastewater Treatment Plant, 1603 Ely Street, Monday-Friday from 7:30 AM to 2:30 PM.**

Charge

- 4' Circular U-Shape: \$0.25/bulb
- 5'+: \$0.60/bulb
- Compact Fluorescent: \$0.55/bulb
- HID Bulbs: \$1.15/bulb

Council Member Contact Info

Ward	Ward Alderperson	Main Phone	Address	Email Address
1	Ken Keller	715-923-0449	309 Ogden St.	kkeller@marinette.wi.us
2	Jeffery Skorik	715-732-3864	1416 Thomas St.	j Skorik@marinette.wi.us
3	Doug Oitzinger	715-735-6805	2572 Circuit Dr.	doitzinger@marinette.wi.us
4	Mike Wolfe	715-923-4768	1709 10th St.	mwolfe@marinette.wi.us
5	Liz Mikutowski	715-587-1485	3211 Carney Ave.	lmikutowski@marinette.wi.us
6	Debbie Klegin	715-732-2016	1458 Newberry St.	dklegin@marinette.wi.us
7	Rick Polzin	920-740-6746	3810 Irving St.	rpolzin@marinette.wi.us
8	Tom Karban	715-923-8155	2710 Hannah St.	tkarban@marinette.wi.us
At-Large/Council President	Dorothy Kowalski	906-290-4497	3904 Irving St.	dkowalski@marinette.wi.us

General Questions, call 715-732-5120 or mail to City Hall (1905 Hall Ave, Marinette, WI 54143)
Mayor Steve Genisot, Call 715-732-5139 or Mayor@marinette.wi.us

Community Development

Small Business Façade Improvement Program

The City of Marinette’s Façade Improvement Program (FIP) is designed to encourage the restoration and enhancement of commercial buildings that highlight the historic significance and unique character of the downtown area. This initiative supports efforts to enhance the visual appeal of key commercial districts, including the downtown core and the areas surrounding Menekaunee Harbor, with a focus on businesses located along Ogden and Hosmer Streets. Through this program, the City offers financial assistance to commercial property owners aiming to rehabilitate their building exteriors, with a focus on preserving or restoring historic architectural features.

Preference for funding will be given to historically significant buildings and to applicants who have not previously received assistance. However, all awards are made at the discretion of the program’s selection committee. The City’s contribution is limited to 50% of eligible rehabilitation costs, up to a maximum of \$25,000 per project. Application deadlines occur twice a year, on February 1st and July 1st.

For more information, go to the City of Marinette Website at: <https://www.marinette.wi.us/169/Facade-Improvement-Program> or Scan the QR code below.



Façade Improvement Program



Holidays - Halloween & Christmas

Halloween is coming 3 days this year! Join us for Downtown Trick-or-Treating on Thursday, October 23rd, from 3:30 -5:30 pm. For Trunk-or-Treating, join us at the Community REC Center on Thursday, October 30th from 4-6 pm. And lastly, residential Trick-or-Treating will take place throughout the City from 4-6 pm on Friday, October 31st.

Christmas in Marinette is Saturday, December 6, 2025. The parade starts at 3 PM on Main Street. This year’s theme will be “Lights, Camera, Christmas!” With each float based on your favorite Christmas movie! Questions or want to volunteer? Call 715-732-5129 or email krogers@marinette.wi.us

City Offices Closed – 2025

Closed for following Holidays...

Thanksgiving

- o Thursday, November 27
- o Friday, November 28

Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25

New Year’s Eve

Wednesday, December 31

Events Coming Soon





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***Observed holidays - Service delayed 1 day throughout remainder of week.**

City of Marinette

- HOLIDAY
- TRASH
- TRASH AND RECYCLING

WM Customer Service
1-888-960-0008

2025 HOLIDAYS - ONE DAY DELAY

- New Year's Day Jan 1
- Memorial Day May 26
- Independence Day July 4
- Labor Day Sept 1
- Thanksgiving Nov 27
- Christmas Day Dec 25

Marinette Fire Department

Fall and Winter Transitioning

As summer turns to fall and winter, the Marinette Fire Department reminds residents to have heating systems inspected by professionals and to replace batteries in carbon monoxide (CO) detectors. Malfunctioning furnaces or cracked heat exchangers can release dangerous levels of CO, which can build up in homes or businesses and cause serious health risks or even death.

While checking CO detectors, also check your smoke alarms. Smoke alarms with 10-year batteries should be replaced at the end of their lifespan, and conventional battery-powered alarms must also be replaced every 10 years. Wisconsin law requires smoke alarms on every level of your home and near sleeping areas, as well as CO detectors in all residences and businesses with fuel-burning appliances.



Fire Prevention Week

The Marinette Fire Department will be visiting schools and daycares during Fire Prevention Week, October 5–11, to teach children essential fire safety skills like “STOP, DROP, and ROLL,” “GET LOW and GO,” and the importance of having a family meeting place. Students will bring home educational materials to share, and fun activities, contests, and prizes will make learning exciting. Children will have chances to win a ride to school in a fire truck, a new bicycle with a helmet, and other great prizes—all while building lifelong fire safety habits.

Thanks to a partnership with Marinette County Public Health, the Fire Department will also be checking homes for working smoke alarms. Families selected through this program may receive pizza coupons for participating, and any homes without working smoke alarms will have new ones installed at no cost.

Yard Debris

Residents are reminded that burning yard debris—such as leaves, grass, or materials from home improvement projects—is strictly prohibited in the City of Marinette, even with a Recreational Fire Pit Permit. These items must be taken to the DPW dump site, and violations of this ordinance may result in fines of up to \$400. Please do your part to keep our community safe.

Hydrants & Snow Banks

As winter approaches, we also ask residents to help by clearing snow and snowbanks from around fire hydrants. Keeping hydrants visible and accessible saves firefighters valuable time in an emergency. Share your efforts with us by sending photos of you or your neighbors clearing hydrants so we can highlight them on our Facebook page.



Do this

Not this



SNOW & ICE REMOVAL

Shovel Often and Early

Shoveling frequently during and immediately after a storm helps clear walkways and driveways before snow gets compacted by tires and foot traffic. The key to effective de-icing is removing as much snow as possible before applying any salt or sand.

- ✔ Use salt wisely: Apply only the recommended amount, Salt works best when temperatures are above 15°F.
- ✔ Limit sand use: Sand provides traction but doesn't melt ice.
- ✔ Protect waterways: Excess sand contributes to sediment pollution, harming aquatic habitats.



for more information go to: Renewourwaters.org



City of Marinette

PUBLIC WORKS

REFUSE BASICS

- All garbage must be in a plastic bag.
- Keep garbage cart and recycle cart spaced 3 feet apart.
- Put garbage out by **6:00 AM** or the night before your pick-up day.
- Garbage should be put out no more than 12 hours before pick-up day.

RECYCLING

- Recyclables are to go into the recycle cart only.
Newspapers, magazines, junk mail, brown paper bags, cereal boxes, soda boxes, and cardboard are accepted
- Glass, tin, aluminum, and #1 thru #7 plastic bottles must be placed loose in your recycle bin co-mingled (mixed together).

DUMP SITE INFORMATION

Large items, junk, stumps, yard waste, and garbage may be dropped off at 2411 Cleveland Avenue. The hours are Wednesdays, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM and Sat. from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Closed Saturdays Jan—Mid April

\$10 fee for car or SUV—\$20 fee per truck - \$20 for trailer.
\$10 for 1st large item and \$5 for each additional large item.

Items not accepted at the dump site include roofing, tar paper, paint, white goods, tires, bricks, blocks or rocks & microwaves and wood waste (except for trees & brush).

*****The City Dump Site may close 15 minutes prior to time listed*****

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Accepted Electronic Items & charges are as follows:

• Computer Tower/CPU	\$5.00
• Laptop Computer	\$5.00
• Printer	\$5.00
• VCR, DVD, Tape Player	\$5.00
• Monitor	\$10.00
• Stereo Receiver	\$10.00
• TV 27" or less	\$15.00
• TV greater than 27"	\$25.00
• Cell phones/keyboards/mice	No charge

YARD WASTE

- Yard waste should be put out on Monday of the designated pick-up week by 6:00 AM or may be dropped off at the city dump 24 hour drop off site.
- No charge for yard waste, but you must have a City Services Card.
- Yard waste must be in a paper yard waste bag or a 32-gallon or less garbage can with a "Yard Waste" sticker on it.
- "Yard Waste" stickers are available at City Hall, 1905 Hall Avenue. There is no charge for the stickers.
- Stickers must face towards the road or alley.
- There is a 50-pound weight limit on yard waste.
- Yard waste consists of small twigs, grass clippings, garden debris, or leaves.

BRUSH/CHIPPER

- Brush should be put out on Monday of the first full week of each month by 6:00 AM or dropped off at the city dump 24 hour drop off site.
- No charges for brush, but you must have a City Services Card.

COMPOST

Compost is loaded on **Saturdays only** between the hours of 8:00 AM and 1:45 PM for city residents.

QUARTERLY JUNK PICK UP

- Put out on Monday of Junk Pick-Up week by 6:00 AM for pick up during the week.
- Limit 6 garbage bags or cans.
- 50# Weight limit per container.
- Large-item pick-up service is available for \$20.00 for the first item and \$10.00 for each additional item, payable at the Community REC Center.

QUESTIONS?



Visit the Garbage Services Page on the City Website!

Or Call the Public Works Department at (715)732-5134

<https://www.marinette.wi.us/587/Garbage-Services>

Marinette Police Department

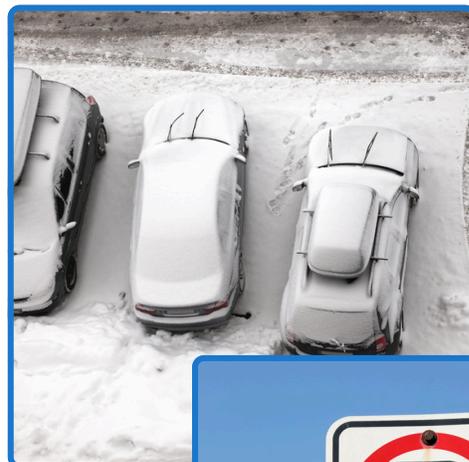
Winter Parking Ban

The Marinette Police Department reminds residents that the overnight parking ban goes into effect on **December 1, 2025, at 1:00 a.m.**

From December 1 through April 1, there is no overnight parking allowed on City of Marinette streets or City-owned property (including parking lots) between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. The ordinance applies regardless of snowfall to ensure streets are clear for snow removal and emergency services.

Parking on the tree lawn is not permitted unless a hardship permit is obtained from the Civic Affairs, Cemetery, Traffic & Lights Committee. Property owners must show that no other parking option exists and that the request will not create a traffic hazard.

Violations of the overnight parking ban carry a **\$40 fine**, which doubles if not paid within 72 hours. Tickets will be issued beginning December 1 at 1:00 a.m. Residents are encouraged to make parking arrangements in advance.



A Message from your Public Service Officer



Animal at Large – What You Need to Know

The City of Marinette reminds pet owners about the Animal at Large Ordinance (§157-5). An animal is considered at large if it is off the owner's property and not under control with a leash no longer than six feet. Pets roaming freely—even friendly ones—are a violation. (Exception: pets riding inside a vehicle with the owner's consent.)

Allowing pets to run at large can cause traffic hazards, injuries, or property damage. Violations may result in citations and fines, with each day considered a separate offense.

Please keep your pets safe, secure, and respectful of neighbors by following the leash law. Together, we can keep Marinette safe for everyone—two-legged and four-legged alike!

Snow Removal Reminder – Ordinance 366

Property owners, tenants, and occupants must keep sidewalks clear of snow and ice within 24 hours after snowfall ends. If ice cannot be removed, it must be treated with salt, sand, or sawdust. If sidewalks are not maintained, the Department of Public Works may clear them and bill the property owner. Unpaid charges will be added to the tax bill, and violations may result in fines for each day the sidewalks remain uncleared.

Keeping sidewalks clear helps protect pedestrians, children walking to school, postal carriers, and neighbors. Do not push or pile snow into streets or alleys. Snow from driveways, parking lots, and private property must be kept out of the roadway. Depositing snow in the street can result in removal fees (minimum \$30) and/or citations.



OCT-NOV-DEC | 2025 CITY CALENDAR

CITY OF MARINETTE		SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
OCTOBER 2025					01 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	02	03	04 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
	CHIPPER WEEK	05	06	07 Council Meeting 5:00 PM	08 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	09	10	11 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
	YARD WASTE	12	13	14	15 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	16	17	18 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
	JUNK WEEK	19	20	21	22 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	23	24	25 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
	YARD WASTE	26	27	28	29 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	30	31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN	
CITY OF MARINETTE		SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 2025								01 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
	CHIPPER WEEK	02	03	04 Council Meeting 5:00 PM	05 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	06	07	08 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
	YARD WASTE	09	10	11	12 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	13	14	15 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
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	YARD WASTE (WEATHER PERMITTING)	23 YARD WASTE 30	24	25	26 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	27 HOLIDAY (Garbage will be picked up Fri)	28 Garbage Delayed (Garbage will be picked up Sat)	29 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
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		14	15	16	17 Dump Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM	18	19	20 Dump Open 8:00AM - 2:00PM
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		28	29	30 HOLIDAY (Garbage picked up as normal)				