

City of Amery Newsletter

April 2025



Dates to Remember

May 1	Parks & Restrooms Open for Season
May 15	Utility Bills Due
May 26	Memorial Day, City Offices Closed
June 3, 10, 24	Tuesday Tunes
June 7	Airport Fly-In Pancake Breakfast
June 14	Art & Craft Fair
July 1, 8, 22, 29	Tuesday Tunes
June 20 / July 18	Music on the River
July 4	Independence Day, City Offices Closed
July 4	Ice Cream Social
1st & 3rd Wed	Council Meeting at 5 p.m.
1st & 3rd Saturday	Landfill Open 9 a.m. to Noon Starts in May & ends in November

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www.amerywisconsin.org or www.amerywi.gov

Amery Farmers Market

The Amery Farmers Market is open from June to October at **Soo Line Park** on Mondays from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The Amery Farmers Market will not be open on Saturday, September 13th, due to Fall Festival.

News from the Public Works Department

The city is always working to prevent storm and groundwater from entering the wastewater system. Tap water should be the only thing that goes into the sewer. If you have a sump pump, please ensure it's not draining into the sanitary sewer but into your yard or an open area.

Please be sure to blow **grass clippings and yard waste** back into your own yard only and **NOT** into the street. The city dump is open for yard waste only (leaves and branches) every 1st and 3rd Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to noon starting in May and ending in November. Contents must be removed from plastic bags. Trash and household items must be brought to Waterman Sanitation.

Severe Weather & Tornado Siren Testing

If you need shelter during severe weather, you may come to the north entrance of the Amery Police Department, and shelter will be available in the basement of the Amery Public Library. The police department and library can both be found at 104 Maple St. W., with access through the north door. The police department will be conducting monthly tornado siren testing throughout the severe weather season on the first Thursday of each month at approximately 1:45 p.m. The drills will go through September. We ask that each household formulate a plan for your family in the event of severe weather.

Water Report

The year 2024 Amery Public Water Supply Consumer Confidence Report will not be distributed via individual mailings. The report is available online at www.amerywi.gov by going to Government → Departments → Public Works Department → City of Amery Water Quality Reports. Information will be furnished upon request. Requests can be directed to Amery City Hall, 104 Maple Street W, Amery, WI 54001, or by calling (715) 268-7486.

Other Reminders

BURNING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED in the City of Amery and surrounding townships. City Hall no longer issues burning permits. You MUST go online at www.amerywi.gov and click the **Submit A Request** button. A burning permit does not allow for the burning of leaves, pine needles or rubbish in the city limits, as this is against city ordinance. If you are found doing so, there will be a \$124.00 fine.

GARAGE SALE PERMITS are available at City Hall. City ordinances limit garage sales to three (3) per year. The cost is \$5.00 per sale for the first 2 sales and \$15.00 if you hold a third sale.

City of Amery

Water Rate Increase of 4.1%

Effective: July 1, 2025

PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION & WATER RATES

Quarterly Service Charges:

Meter Size	Public Fire Protection	Water
3/4 inch meter	\$24.19	\$18.13
1 inch meter	\$60.46	\$32.65
1 1/4 inch meter	\$89.47	\$50.79
1 1/2 inch meter	\$120.90	\$65.29
2 inch meter	\$193.46	\$94.31
3 inch meter	\$362.74	\$188.63
4 inch meter	\$604.57	\$261.17
6 inch meter	\$1,209.15	\$333.73
8 inch meter	\$1,934.64	\$511.46
10 inch meter	\$2,901.95	\$750.88
12 inch meter	\$3,869.28	\$983.03

Plus Water Volume Charges:

- First 22,000 gallons used each quarter:
\$2.15 per 1,000 gallons
- Next 112,000 gallons used each quarter:
\$1.57 per 1,000 gallons
- Next 314,000 gallons used each quarter:
\$1.35 per 1,000 gallons
- Over 448,000 gallons used each quarter:
\$1.13 per 1,000 gallons

Amery's Tomorrow, Today

Join us in creating a shared vision for Amery's growth over the next 20 years! The City of Amery is currently drafting its Comprehensive Plan and Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP), blueprints that will guide development, transportation, public spaces, parks, and sustainability for years to come. **There will be an Open House on April 22nd from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.**

You can learn more about the project and take a survey by using the QR code below, going to www.amerystomorrowtoday.com, or in-person at City Hall and the Amery Library.

PROJECT WEBSITE



www.arcg.is/m9yrP0



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TOMORROW TODAY

Amery Area Public Library

The Amery Area Public Library is busy as ever! We are well into planning for this year's Summer Reading Program, with a really fun theme this year of Color Our World. Get ready for lots of exploration of the creative arts, from painting and weaving to storytelling and writing. This year's Summer Reading Program will run from June 9th to August 2nd.

We are tuning up the Book Bike for another great season of outreach, and we continue to offer recurring programs like Teen Thursday, Books & Brews, Nonfiction Book Club, and Mystery Book Club. Keep an eye on our calendar at amerylibrary.org/calendar for the most up-to-date information.

Upcoming special events:

- Plant Swap — Saturday, April 26, 10 am to noon — Please join us for a fun event of swapping houseplants and spending time with other houseplant enthusiasts. Learn about something you love and bring a new plant friend home!
- Color Our World: Summer Reading Program — Monday, June 9 — The first day of our 2025 Summer Reading Program! Pick up a reading log and work on our community paint-by-letter, one sticker at a time!
- Science Heroes: Adventure of the Missing Color — Tuesday, June 10, 3 pm — Join Science Heroes on our mission to turn science into an adventure! Discover how fun and colorful science can be through hands-on experiments all about chemical reactions, air pressure, physical explosions, and more.
- Make Music Day — Saturday, June 21 — Participate in a worldwide day of music! We're celebrating Make Music Day with local performers at the library and a musical craft program for kids.
- Snake Discovery — Monday, July 21, 1:30 pm and 3:45 pm — Watch a salamander eat, debunk turtle myths, touch snakes, and more! We've got two programs scheduled to accommodate the popularity of Snake Discovery, so pick one that works for you and enjoy our reptilian friends.

Other information and news:

- Join our email newsletter list
We will share snippets about the library and news about upcoming events. This will be a weekly newsletter with just the right amount of information for our library patrons. Register by visiting our home page at amerylibrary.org.
- Book subscriptions just for you!
Have you ever wanted a professional librarian to hand-select books for you or your family? Do you love reading but don't have time to browse the bookshelves at the library? Then our book subscriptions are for YOU! Fill out a simple form to let us know your likes and dislikes, interests, and reading habits, and we will supply you with a totally FREE monthly book subscription. Keep giving us feedback through the supplied form, and we'll keep tailoring the subscription for you. To get started, visit amerylibrary.org/kids for a KID'S subscription, amerylibrary.org/teens for a TEEN subscription, or amerylibrary.org/adults for an ADULT subscription.
- Home Delivery Service
Homebound residents who live in Amery or the surrounding area can sign up to have books (print, large print, audio-books) and movies brought to their home. To download an application for this free service, go to <https://amerylibrary.org/home-services/>. For more information, contact the Amery Area Public Library at 715-268-9340 or email library@amerylibrary.org.