

Village of Rio

Newsletter
Fall 2025

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Community Calendar

October

- 6 Village Board Meeting, Village Hall, 6:00pm
- 18 Rio Historical Society Meeting at 10:00 am
- 20 Committee Meeting, Village Office, 6:00 pm
- 23 Rio Community Club Tentative - FM Bank, 6:30pm
- 26 **Trick or Treat Day**
Turn your lights on to receive visitors!
2:00 -4:00 pm

November

- 3 Village Board Meeting, Village Hall, 6:00pm
- 15 Rio Historical Society Meeting at 10:00 am
- 17 Committee Meeting, Village Office, 6:00pm
- 27 Office Closed
- 28 Garbage Pickup, Friday

December

- 1 Village Board Meeting, Village Hall, 6:00 pm
- 4 Rio Community Club Tentative - FM Bank, 6:30pm
- 15 Committee Meeting, Village Office, 6:00pm
- 24 Office Closed
- 25 Office Closed
- 31 Office Closed

Please note that dates and/or times of scheduled meetings may change.

Autumn News & Notes

With cooler weather here and winter's arrival just around the corner, keep these important items in mind:

CURBSIDE BRUSH PICKUP is throughout the year on or about the 3rd Thursday of the month. If you have brush that has not been picked up please contact the Village office. Leaves will be picked up on Thursday's for the month of October when possible. Leaves must be bagged and at the curb by 8 am. Please note leaf piles may not be left in the street. Leaves may be left in the bulk piles next to the recycling bins in the Village parking area east of Lincoln Avenue. Please observe the directions posted at this site: Put leaves and brush in separate piles. Empty bags of leaves onto the leave pile.



Snow Removal Reminders

Please keep your side-walks clear of snow and ice to provide safe passage for everyone!

The Village Board would like to remind residents and business owners that snow and ice **MUST** be removed from all side-walks. According to Village Ordinance 6-2-8 property owners have 24 hours from the time snow ceases to accumulate to remove snow and ice from sidewalks that adjoin their property. Snow cleared from side-walks, driveways and parking lots cannot be shoveled, blown or plowed into the highway, street or any public right-of-way, where it poses a safety hazard to road crews, pedestrians and motorists.

If you do not remove snow in a timely manner, the village will do it for you and bill you \$100 per hour, 1 hour

minimum. Any portion beyond a full hour will be charged the full hourly rate. Each 24-hour period will be considered a separate offense and billed according to ordinance.

STREET PARKING The Village Board made changes to allow overnight street parking during with winter months unless it snows. If it snows you may not park on the street during snowfall and 24 hours after snowfall.

PLEASE LEND A HAND – Clear snow from fire hydrants so firefighters have clear access to the hydrants in an emergency.

Voter Registration:

Please check to see if you are registered to vote or register to vote online at:

<https://myvote.wi.gov>

CAMPFIRES

BURNING REGULATED: Under Village ordinance 5-3-7, BURNING is prohibited, except for.....

Enjoy your campfires this fall. For everyone's safety please make sure you are following the regulations. Campfires are allowed during the hours of 12:30 pm and 2:30 am and must be 15 feet from any building or structure and shall be confined and contained within an area protected by a barrier of stones or other noncombustible material. Campfires cannot be left unattended.

BURNING PROHIBITED: This prohibition shall include but not limited to: garbage, brush, leaves, grass clippings and other yard waste, asphalt, rubber, plastics and oily substances.

Dog Registration

Dog Licenses expire on December 31 of each year...Wisconsin Stats. 174.05 requires that all dogs over five (5) months of age be licensed. A current rabies vaccination is required at the time your license is obtained. Vaccination records are only needed if there is an update from last year or if this is a new animal to be licensed. License fees are nonrefundable. If you no longer have your dog, please let the Village Office know so we can update our records. You can email the office at astone@riowi.us or call 920-992-5454



WHAT'S HAPPENING

The Village Office will be closed on the following days:

Thursday, Nov. 27
(Thanksgiving Day)
Wednesday, December
24, Thursday,
December 25
(Christmas Holiday)
Wednesday, December
31 and Thursday,
January 1, 2026
(New Year's Eve and
New Years Day Holiday)

How To Contact Us

Clerk's Office

207 Lincoln Ave.
Hours: M-TH 8:00am-4pm
920-992-5454 ph
920-992-6108 fax

Police Department

**ALWAYS CALL 911
IN AN EMERGENCY**
207 Lincoln Avenue
Hours: Vary – Please
call ahead
920-992-5454 ph

You can also contact
the Columbia County
Sheriff's Department
non-emergency number
at 608-742-4166. They
will be able to contact
the Rio Police
Department when the
Village office is not
open.

Public Works

207 Lincoln Ave.
Hours: Vary – Please
call ahead
920-992-5454 ph

MY WATER ADVISOR – MONITOR WATER USAGE SET UP HIGH USAGE ALERTS!

The Village of Rio is excited to announce our partnership with Master Meter, Inc. to bring an advanced technology which is designed to enhance your customer service experience, empower you to better manage your water consumption throughout the month, and proactively identify troublesome leaks.

My Water Advisor® 2.0 easily allows you to access your account via a web-ready device (desktop, laptop, tablet, or smartphone application) in real-time while providing the following benefits;

- Create monthly water budgets
- Proactively conserve water
- Address high consumption during the month – not after it's too late when the bill arrives
- Be notified of leaks throughout the month to address them promptly

HOW TO SET UP YOUR ACCOUNT:

You **must** be signed up for e-invoicing with the Village of Rio and have a cell phone number on file - email astone@riowi.us with questions or to get signed up for email billing! (Fill out the e-billing form below and return it to the Village Office).

1. Go to www.mywateradvisor2.com
2. Click the Sign Up button, located on the top right portion of your screen.
3. Choose one of the following sign up options:
 - (a) Enter your Mobile Number
 - (b) Enter your Account Number
4. Enter your First name and Last name as it appears on your water bill.
5. Enter a valid Email Address and create a Password.
6. Enjoy!

RIO SEWER AND WATER E-INVOICING RELEASE FORM

If you are interested in receiving your quarterly utility bill via email instead of a paper invoice in the mail please fill out the following information.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Account #: _____ Telephone #: _____

E-mail: _____

By signing this form I understand that I take responsibility for receiving and paying my quarterly utility bills which are issued in January, April, July and October each year. I understand that if I do not receive my bill it is still my responsibility to pay it by the due date (the 20th of January, April, July and October) as well as any finance charges that may be applied due to late payments. I understand it is my responsibility to notify the Village of Rio of a change in e-mail address if necessary. Should I choose to opt-out of e-invoicing I understand I must notify the Village Office at 920-992-5454 or astone@riowi.us.

Signature: _____ Date: _____