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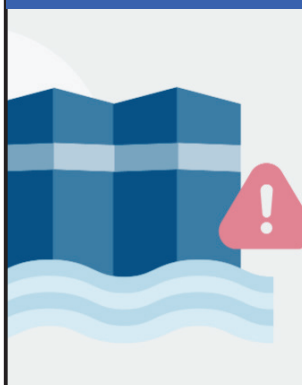
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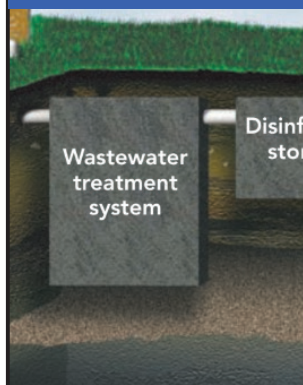
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Household Hazardous Waste Event is May 1

This year's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program will be held on May 1, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. All Kenosha County residents can dispose of their household hazardous waste, e-waste and refrigerant waste at the Kenosha County Center, 19600 75th Street, Bristol. This is the only county-wide household hazardous waste collection date scheduled for this year.

Accepted e-waste items include: Computers, laptops, fax machines, keyboards, mice, stereos, scanners, iPods, TVs, VCRs, DVD, CD and MP3 players, printers, phones, copiers, power tools, toner cartridges and electronic toys. All e-waste items will be accepted free of charge.

Refrigerant waste items include: Refrigerators, water coolers, freezers, air conditioners, water heaters, dehumidifiers, microwaves and other household appliances.

The following items will not be accepted: Latex paint, tires, infectious or biological waste, propane cylinders, explosives, radioactive waste, medical and pharmaceutical waste and commercial or business waste.

For more information regarding the Household Hazardous Waste, E-waste and Refrigerant Waste Collection Day, please contact the Extension Kenosha County Office at 262-857-1945.

CALENDAR 2021

MAY

12 - Planning , Development & Extension Committee, Public Hearing Room, 6 p.m.
20 - Zoning Board of Adjustments, Hearing Room, 6 p.m.

JUNE

9 - Planning , Development & Extension Committee, Public Hearing Room, 6 p.m.
17 - Zoning Board of Adjustments, Hearing Room, 6 p.m.

JULY

14 - Planning , Development & Extension Committee, Public Hearing Room, 6 p.m.
22 - Zoning Board of Adjustments, Hearing Room, 6 p.m.

AUGUST

11 - Planning , Development & Extension Committee, Public Hearing Room, 6 p.m.
19 - Zoning Board of Adjustments, Hearing Room, 6 p.m.

Flood Map Information Services

Ever wonder about the likelihood of a flood impacting your property? Kenosha County is one of many counties around Wisconsin that has identified flood prone areas and makes the information available as a public service as part of implementing floodplain management regulations to reduce the vulnerability to future flood risk. Information available includes:

- Floodplain determinations that identify whether a structure or property is in or out of the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) as shown on the current Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). Additional flood insurance data for a site may also be available such as the FIRM zone and the base flood elevation or depth.
- Handouts on the flood insurance purchase requirement that can help people who need a mortgage or loan for a property in the SFHA.
- Copies of Letters of Map Amendments (LOMA) or Letter of Map Revisions (LOMR) and Elevation Certificates (EC) that have been processed in Kenosha County.

- Preparation of Letters of Map Amendment-Out As Shown (LOMA-OAS) for a nominal fee.
- Floodway, flood depth, and historic flooding information (if available).

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has also developed the Flood Map Service Center for flood hazard information. To find your official flood map, access a range of other flood hazard products, and take advantage of tools for better understanding your flood risks go to: <https://msc.fema.gov/portal/home>. To view the Special Flood Hazard Maps for your property, use the Kenosha County Interactive Mapping Service at <http://kc-web-01.kenoshacounty.org/InteractiveMapping/>.

If you would like to discuss Kenosha County floodplain regulations, please contact the Division of Planning and Development at (262) 857-1900 or send an email to mark.jenks@kenoshacounty.org. You can also visit us at the Kenosha County Center, 19600 - 75th Street, Bristol, WI. Any of our staff can assist you with the information needed. If you wish to speak with a specific person, it is best to set up an appointment in advance. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Considering the Landscape when Locating a POWTS on Your Property

Proper planning of where to place your private on-site wastewater treatment system (POWTS) on your property is important whether it is a new construction site or you are replacing a failing system. Here are a few things to consider as you meet with a soil tester and a POWTS contractor.

Soil types and their suitability for a system is the most important thing to consider. Obtaining an aerial map with 2 foot contours and soil types of your property from the County Sanitarian or the Kenosha County website is your first step in determining the potential area available for a POWTS. If your home site currently exists or is already determined, the best soils available for locating a POWTS must be considered. The County Sanitarian can assist you with interpreting the soil map and their suitability for potential system areas. This will provide you some important information as you prepare to meet with a contractor.

POWTS have setback requirements that must be considered for proper placement on the landscape. The dispersal cells must be a minimum 5 feet from any lot line, 10 feet from any building and water service, 15 feet from a swimming pool, 50

feet from any well and the ordinary high water mark of any navigable waters. Treatment tanks must have a minimum setback of 2 feet from a lot line, 5 feet to any building and 25 feet to any well.

Properties that have rolling topography often have the best potential sites for a POWTS. Installing a POWTS dispersal cell on a hillside whether it is an in-ground system or a mound can often result in the system being obscured on the landscape. Systems perform best when a dispersal cell is installed on a contour of a sloping site and are as long and narrow as the design and site perimeters allow. Narrow systems can be installed in wooded areas with minimal loss or damage to trees.

Other things to consider when choosing an area for your POWTS are avoiding areas that already have or will have soil compaction from vehicles. Avoid areas reserved for future outbuildings, swimming pools, gardens, patios, decks, landscaping and areas to be paved. Also avoid areas that are low in landscape that will hold runoff water from heavy rains or snow melt.

Online Permit and Information Portal is LIVE!

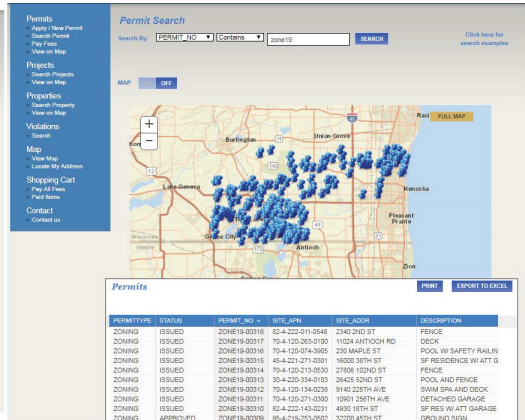
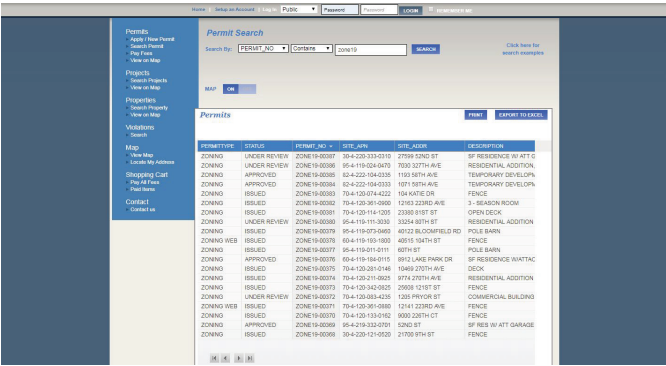
In 2011, Kenosha County Planning and Development adopted new software to digitally manage permit, project, and case records for properties within its jurisdiction. All record documentation has been stored digitally and all historical data created prior to 2011 has been scanned in preparation to be migrated into the database. Recently, the on-line component to this software, known as the Kenosha County Planning and Development Online Portal went LIVE and is now accessible the public at <https://permitting.kenoshacounty.org/eTrakit/>.

The site will allow the general public to search public records and view basic permit, project, and case information within the unincorporated townships of Kenosha County and the Village of Somers. In addition, the site will enable contractors to digitally submit and pay on-line for certain planning and development related applications without having to physically travel to and from this office.

Abilities afforded the public via this website include:

- The ability to search public records related to planning and development including zoning permits, sanitary permits, shore-land permits and storm water permits. See application dates, approved dates and issued dates for permits as well as a basic description of the project, the site location, contact information and applicable fees.
- Search public records related to planning and development including public hearing applications, comprehensive land use plan map amendment applications, rezoning applications, variance applications, conditional use permit applications, temporary use permit applications, subdivision plat applications and certified survey map applications. Users will also be able to see application dates, approved dates and issued dates for projects as well as a basic description of the project, the site location, contact information and applicable fees.
- Search public records related to planning and development including sanitary, zoning, shore-land and storm water complaints/violations. Users will also be able to see a basic description of the complaint or violation, site location, and status.

For more information about the on-line portal, visit the site at <https://permitting.kenoshacounty.org/eTrakit/> and read our informational handout. If you are a contractor looking to gain the ability to submit permit applications on-line, you can contact the Kenosha County Department of Planning and Development at (262) 857-1895 to set up an account.



Beverlee Baker, Extension Kenosha County Director, Retiring



In 1981 Beverlee Baker began working with the University of Extension as a summer 4-H and youth agent in Rock County, then returned in 1988-1989 as an interim Extension Home Economist in Grant County. Her faculty appointment began in September 1990 in Green County, and she transitioned to Racine County in 1994.

As she reflects on her Extension career over the past 30+ years, she feels blessed to have worked with amazing colleagues and community partners, and a lifelong learning organization. As a family living educator, she worked with families, communities, and policymakers to improve family well-being and family-community systems in the areas of child development, family development and family economics.

One of the highlights of her career was the research project, “Children of Incarcerated Parents,” in collaboration with UW-Madison at the Racine County Jail. The project, funded by

the National Institute of Health (NIH), began with learning both about the reality of incarcerated parents and their children, and the reality of the policies and systems impacting families. During these two research projects, Baker’s team organized conferences to share the research results. However, Extension’s expertise was applying the research in partnership with the Racine County Jail, other correctional facilities and policymakers to support justice-involved families with early learning and school readiness programs. Her program impact was deepened by serving as the Racine County site coordinator and trainer affiliated with the Brazelton Touchpoints Center and learning skills through the Professional Life Coaching Certificate program at UW-Madison Continuing Studies.

Baker administered a variety of grant funded programs and supervised staff over the years as a family living educator. She became the Racine County department head in 2006. From 2015-2017, she also served as the UW-Extension Family Living program associate to support new colleagues and coach the statewide Healthy Living Team. In 2017, she transitioned to the Area Extension Director for Kenosha and Racine Counties. And then in 2021, after 30+ years of committed service to Extension, she announced her retirement. She looks forward to celebrating this remarkable career with friends and colleagues as she begins the next chapter of life.

For up-to-date Kenosha County news and upcoming events, visit



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It is the mission of the Kenosha County Division of Planning and Development to provide professional, customer-centered services to residents and organizations pursuing individual and community development goals while ensuring the balance of our community’s economic advancement with protection of the natural environment. The Division provides services that; encourage the use of natural resources in a planned and orderly manner, utilize technology to ensure the efficient/accurate communication of technical land-use information, improve our local economy and advance the common good of the citizens of Kenosha County.