

Welcome to Atkins

Garbage, Recycling and Yard Waste pickup is on Wednesday. Our collection services are provided by Waste Management Inc. Their telephone number is 362-9900. A Garbage Tag is required on each container or bag. (If several small bags are placed in a garbage can, only one tag is required on each can). Tags are available at Atkins Lumber Company, 81 First Avenue; The Depot Express, 118 Parkridge Rd; or Atkins Savings Bank, 97 Main Avenue. The cost is \$1.20 per tag. Garbage cans should not exceed 32 gallons or weigh more than 40 lbs.

Curb Side recycling is required. This helps reduce the amount of trash going to the landfill. Each residence is provided one blue recycling tub. There is a \$6.19 charge per month for this service. Please brake down cardboard boxes before disposal. Last year the citizens of Atkins kept over 116 tons of trash out of the landfill by recycling.

There is a monthly Landfill Fee of \$5.00 on each Water bill. The City pays Benton County \$55,110.00 per year to use the county landfill, plus \$25 per ton of garbage that is taken there from Atkins residential garbage pick-up. This fee helps defray that expense. Residents of Atkins can dispose of regular garbage and trash at the Benton County Landfill located at 7904 20th Avenue south of Blairstown for a tipping fee of \$60 per ton with a \$10 minimum. There are also recycling charges to dispose of computers, appliances, televisions and construction materials. The telephone number for the landfill is 319-454-6392.

Rates effective July 1, 2014	Water Rates	Sewer Rates (80% of water)
Minimum 2,500 gallon of water	\$14.75	\$11.80
Each additional 1,000 gal of water	\$5.90	\$4.72

The minimum total monthly water bill (2,500 gallon) is \$37.88. This includes water, sales tax, sewer, recycling and landfill fees. Water bills average \$60.00 per month.

Yard Waste pickup is available from April 1st to October 31st. Special yard waste tags are available at the same locations as garbage tags. The cost is \$2.20 per container. Please put your yard waste in a garbage can type container. Plastic and paper bags will not be collected. The weight of the container must not be over 40 lbs.

Waste Management observes six main Holidays through the year. They are as follows: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. If a holiday is during the week prior to or on Wednesday, collection will be delay by one day. (Trash, Recycling and Yard Waste would be on Thursday.)

I hope this information will be beneficial to you. If you have any questions you can check out our website at www.cityofatkins.org or call City Hall at 446-7870. Office hours are 7:30AM to 12:00PM, 1:00 to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Also, like us on Facebook (City of Atkins) and sign up for our newsletter at www.cityofatkins.org/newsletters to get updates on what is happen in Atkins.

Melissa Rammelsberg, City Clerk
Heather David, Deputy Clerk