



Spring 2023

Quarterly Newsletter

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De Pere, WI 54115

A NOTE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The spring seasonal weight limits on all our town roads usually go into effect in early to mid March. The reduced weight limits will help protect the road surfaces when the frost comes out of the roadbeds. Check the website for start and end dates: www.Townofrockland.org

Please check all your culverts on your driveways for any type of blockage. The culverts through your driveways are your responsibility to maintain, and they work the best when they're free of any debris. Also, do not plant trees or shrubs in the ditch or in the right-of-way. The 22th Annual Town of Rockland Clean up Day will be Saturday, April 22nd. Please take some time to walk the ditches along your property and pick up any litter. Thank you to all residents who get out and help clean up.

Our Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18th at 7:00 PM. We will review the 2022 Annual Report and discuss any topics brought forward by town residents.

If you are planning any remodeling or building projects this year, contact our Zoning Administrator/Building Inspector Bob Gerbers for the proper permits before you start your project.

With spring around the corner, get outside and enjoy the weather! The next Town Board meeting is on March 20th; we hope to see you there!

Thank you,

Dennis J. Cashman

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Hello Rockland residents,

I hope everyone had time to spend with family and friends over the holidays. It is an opportunity to relax and reset for the upcoming year. This winter has been a lighter year for snow plowing but there is time yet for a few big snowfalls. I would like to thank Wayne Carter and his team for the nice job snow plowing this year.

We have had one election already and another one coming up, please take the time to vote. It is one of the most important rights we have as Americans and it should not be taken for granted.

Thanks to all of our election / poll workers, our process works well because of the effort they all put in. We are fortunate to have people that genuinely care about our town.

Before you know it we will see the trail being used again so keep an eye out for bikes running through the intersections as we have seen in the past.

I wish everyone the best for this spring,

Matt

Town Clerk Hours Monday 9:30-2:30, Tuesday 9:30-2:30, Thursday 9:30-2:30
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EAST River Collaborative

The town is working with a group to try and help some of the flood problems we are having along the East River. The town's main problem is flooding by the Wrightstown Road Bridge. What we don't know is if there are flooding problems in other areas along the East River or any of its feeder streams.

If you live along the East River or one of its feeder streams and you have flood problems in your basement, please let us know. Please make sure the ground around your house doesn't slope toward your house. We want flood problems that are caused by the river or streams backing up and causing issues. Knowing these problems may help us in the future with potential grant applications. We hope we don't hear from you because we hope you don't have a water problem. But if you do, please contact us. Thank you for working with us on this situation.

Subcommittee of the Planning Commission

News from Treasurer Mary Van Dyck

The 2022 tax payments for the first installment are complete. Collecting of taxes went well for me this year. I had some issues with the program being shut down at times. However, this seemed to improve as the date for paying the first installment went on. If you did not receive your receipt and need one, you can call me to send you one or you can go online to Brown County Land Records to get a copy. The second installment will be due by July 31 if you did not pay in full. This payment will be paid to the County Treasurer. If you have any questions give me a call.

Recycling is going well for the town. Keep up the good work. The town is again holding a Rockland Electronics Recycle Day on April 15 from 8 – noon. This will be at the Town Hall. Please read the flyer for what can be brought to Recycle Day—anything with a plug and most metal items. This is open to anyone. There will be 4-H youth available to unload your vehicles. This helps with the grant that the town receives for recycling. The grant money is used to help pay for the bi-weekly pick up of recyclables. Do your spring cleaning and bring what you can to Rockland Recycle Day. We will also be collecting used and new shoes on April 15. These shoes will be sent overseas. There they are repaired and sold to countries less fortunate than we are.

Dog Licenses are due by April 1. All dogs need a license by state law. Please fill out the dog license application found in this newsletter and return with a self-addressed envelope ASAP.

I hope you all have a great spring and I hope to see you at Rockland Recycle Day.

Hello Rockland,

March is finally here, spring is around the corner. And with the spring comes time to put weight limits on our roads so as to prevent them from breaking up.

In April, we will again do our annual road tour to determine which ones need repair. If you have concerns or suggestions please feel free to contact one of the board members. Overall, the roads have held up pretty well.

On a personal note, I had hip replacement surgery on February 6th at 8 am and by 3.30 pm I was sent home. It's now an outpatient operation, amazing! I'm now doing well. February was a tough month: my 3 sisters passed away all within 3 weeks of each other. All were born and raised here in Rockland: Carol 89, Janet 94 and Arlene 96. I will miss them but all had long lives.

In closing on a lighter note: "It is said that behind every great man is a woman just rolling her eyes."

"Always find a reason to laugh, it may not add years to your life but, it will add life to your years."

Keep smiling and warmest regards

Alan Lasse



Important Dates:

In person absentee voting starts 10:00 to 2:00 Tues March 21, continues Thurs

March 23rd, Mon Mar 27, Tues Mar 28, Thurs Mar 30 during same hours

April 4th, 2023 Spring Election 7:00 am—8:00 pm

April 15th, 8:00 am-noon Rockland Recycle Day & Shoe Recycle, Booyah & Bakesale

April 18th, 7:00 pm Annual Meeting

April 22nd, Rockland Clean up day

April 26th, 1:00-3:00 Open Book

April 29th, Rockland Rummage Sale, watch for signs

May 9th, 6:00-8:00 pm Board of Review

Town Board Meetings: 1st and 3rd Mondays ea. month

Planning Commission: (usually 1st Thursday of ea. month)

please check the calendar on the website



Burning yard waste?

Chief Mark DeCleene of Greenleaf can be reached at (920) 639-6939 or (920) 864-2200. In Morrison, the Chief is Jeff Pischke. Jeff can be reached at (920) 676-3203.

If you are doing any kind of rubbish or ditch burning, please give them a call to verify conditions are safe and to give them a heads up in case they get calls regarding the smoke, etc. If it will be a sizeable fire, please also call Brown County Sheriffs Non-emergency number 920-391-7450.

Construction Projects: Please be reminded to get your permits before your building or landscaping project. Permit fees double when taken out after the fact. It's always better to call first and ask questions before you start your project. You could save big money by getting in contact with our Building Inspector, Bob Gerbers.

You can reach him by email at bgerbers@townofrockland.org, or by cell phone at 655-8602.

ROCKLAND 4-H

On February 11th - just in time for Valentine's Day, the 4-H families made a Sunday dinner for the residents of Freedom House in Green Bay. We have been doing this for over 10 years now and it appears that the number of families at Freedom House continue to increase each year. The members determined the menu ensuring that all food groups were covered. Buttered French bread, Jello/Fluff, Chicken Casserole, carrots and of course Red Velvet cupcakes with cream cheese frosting. At the February meeting we talked about the Creative Arts Festival on March 18th. A number of members will be participating in instrumental performances, piano, demonstrations, poetry and other talents. We discussed the Electronics Recycle Day at the Rockland Town Hall on April 15th 8:00 until noon. We decided to have a booyah and bake sale during this time also. On April 22nd we will be participating in the 4-H Bean Bag/3 on 3 Basketball Fun Day at Wrightstown High School. There will also be a silent auction, bake sale and food stand. We started a discussion regarding a craft day on Sat. March 25th. More details to follow at the March meeting. Now, if the weather gets back to normal (there is no normal in Wisconsin) we can start talking about some outside activities.

Our Friend and leader Vi Peeters passed away in January. We want to pay tribute to Vi who worked side by side with Irv Peeters leading the club which included her children and her grandchildren. She enjoyed helping out at county events, especially the Brown County Fair. She will be missed.

Submitted by Club Reporters

Election News

Absentee ballot applications must be renewed each year. If you wish to have a ballot mailed to you for April's election, please go to www.myvote.wi.gov and request one for the Spring Election. After the first of the year, you can go online and request absentee ballots for all of 2024. Keep in mind that the costs associated with mailing an absentee ballot exceed \$2.50 per ballot. Whenever it's possible to vote in person, please come in. If you are not able to drive or have mobility issues, please feel free to ask for an Indefinitely Confined status of absentee voter. It is a federal offense to request Indefinitely Confined status if you are not infirm, immobile, or handicapped.

Rockland Dog License for 2023

All dogs must be licensed according to state law and there are no exceptions. The fee for a kennel license is \$40.00. Anyone with 3 or more dogs needs to get a kennel license. **If you get a kennel license, there is no additional fee for each dog.** The fee for a neutered or spayed dog is \$5.00. The fee for a male or female dog is \$10.00. Please fill out the following form for each dog that you have. Also include a copy of the dogs rabies shots. Dog licenses are due by **April 1, 2023**. Return the form to Mary Van Dyck, 2185 Deer Point Lane, De Pere, WI 54115. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope and your check made out to the Town of Rockland.

Name of dog _____ Phone number _____

Name of dog owner _____

Address _____

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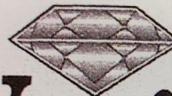
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