

Spring 2025

Quarterly Newsletter

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1712 Bob-Bea-Jan Road

De Pere, WI 54115

A NOTE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I hope you've all had a great winter so far. The month of March can bring a lot of wet, sloppy snow, so watch where you pile it up. Keep the ditches open for the spring rains that are coming.

This spring, please take the time to inspect your driveway culvert for any type of blockage or damage to prevent the flow of water. Road ditches are built to carry the flow of water, please do not install field stone or decorating stone on the bottom or sides of culvert ends to prevent the flow of water.

The spring seasonal weight limits on all our Town roads typically go into effect mid-March. If you are planning any building projects this spring, remember to get your building permit and plan ahead of time. Depending on weather and temperatures, the seasonal weight limits are expected to remain in effect for 30 days or so.

The 23rd Annual Town of Rockland Clean Up Day will be on Saturday, April 19th. Please take the time to clean up any litter in the ditches along your property. Let's keep Rockland a beautiful place to live.

Our Annual Town Meeting is on Tuesday, April 15 at 7:00 P.M. We will review the Annual Report and discuss topics brought forward by Town residents. I hope to see you at that meeting.

All dog licenses are due by April 1st of every year. Please put the dog license on your pet's collar, it makes it so much easier and faster to find the pet's owner if the pet becomes lost.

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Rockland Town Hall	Treasurer/Dog Licenses	Board of Appeals
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Matt Meeuwsen 920-660-9718	Julie Koenig 920-336-2814	GrL: 639-6939; Morr 676-3203

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One of the duties of the Town Chairman is to make sure our Code of Ordinances is followed properly. When I get a complaint from a resident on something, it is my duty to follow up on it. I'm just doing my job! Per Rockland Code, you are allowed to store one unlicensed vehicle outside on your property. All other unlicensed vehicles must be stored inside of a building, or get <u>rid</u> of them. No salvage yards are allowed.

Enjoy the upcoming spring weather and longer days.

Thank you,

Dennis J. Cashman

Hello again Rockland,

As I write this we are getting some snow. As always if you have or see a problem related to snow or ice please let me know.

In case you missed the Superbowl, there's another one in Washington — it's between the "Steelers and the Patriots. "Finally, someone is cleaning up the mess .The world changed on January 20th. Did you know that folks here in Rockland voted over two to one for the new President? People here get it. Change needed to happen. The outright corruption is deep. Our tax dollars were wasted for years. Townships like Rockland could never mishandle your tax dollars to that extent. We hold Annual meetings to give you total accounting of every dollar and every check that is written. This year's meeting will be on April 15th at 7 pm at the Town Hall.

Rockland continued to grow in 2024. Our Zoning Administrator reported 15 home permits were written last year. In 2023, only 2 new homes were built. It has always been my preference to see very limited growth in our township. I think most of you agree because that's why you moved here in the first place. Large farms can be a blessing in disguise: they save us from large developments because they need the land and we need farmers for food production.

The new Southern Bridge will bring pressure for more developments especially on the northern part of Rockland. A big thank you to our Zoning Board for keeping us up with needed changes because of it. Common sense is still alive and well here.

Please know the issues I write about in these newsletters are my thoughts and mine alone. As a life long resident, I care deeply about the direction our township takes.

Lastly, don't feel bad if you didn't get a valentine for Valentine's Day, you probably didn't get a groundhog for Groundhog Day either.

Before you judge someone, walk a mile in their shoes, after that, who cares. You will be a mile away and you've got their shoes.

Keep smiling, warmest regards,

Alan Lasee, Supervisor

Hello Rockland residents,

I hope everyone had a good holiday season. It seems like winter has finally arrived with the amount of snow we have received; great for the snowmobilers and skiers but maybe not if you are on the business end of a snow shovel.

I wanted to talk about the upcoming NFL draft and trying to rent out your property. I believe there is an opportunity to make a significant amount of money by doing that, but there are some steps to take before you jump into it. The county requires a permit, your home will need to be inspected and I believe your homeowners insurance will require an additional policy for rental. I also think it would be advisable to get a legal document to have yourself covered for any issues that come up. There are companies out there that will manage the process for you (for a fee) and it may make the event easier and be a smoother process for both parties. There is more information available at www.greenbay.com/rent-your-home/. The town does not currently require a permit for this type of activity but we would like to have a copy of the agreement and the dates your home would be rented out. As a reminder you are still responsible for things that happen on your property even while it is rented out- it's still your name on the title at the end of the day.

I wish anyone good luck if that is something you are going to do.

Matt

The Town Board, Treasurer and Clerks would like to extend a big THANK YOU to Carter Trucking for their crew's tireless efforts at keeping Rockland's roads cleared this winter. They have been prompt at clearing roads during and after snowfall, and receptive to reports of slippery/problem areas.

Your efforts are appreciated!





Wayne Carter, Owner 920-371-3041

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3413 Hwy PP De Pere, WI 54115 Fax 920-336-7331

Important Dates:

Spring Election: Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Dog licenses due April 1, 2025

Recycle Day at Town Hall: Saturday, April 12, 2025

Annual Meeting: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Annual Town Clean Up Day: Saturday, April 19, 2025

Rummage Sale: Saturday, April 26, 2025

Open Book: Tuesday, May 4, 2025 2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Board of Review: Wednesday, May 21, 2025 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Greenleaf Fireman's Picnic: Saturday, July 19, 2025 12:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.

Town Board Meetings: 1st and 3rd Mondays ea. Month; Planning Commission: (usually 2nd Thursday of ea. month) please check the calendar on the website



NEWS FROM YOUR TREASURER

Never put batteries or electronics in your recycling cart.

Take rechargeable batteries to a recycling drop off site, like a local recycling center.



E-cycle your electronic devices through E-cycle Wisconsin. Many sites accept electronics like laptops and cell phones for free.

ATV/UTV Safety Reminders

The Town would like to remind residents that Ordinance #2019-05 was put into place in 2019 regarding ATV/UTV use to ensure residents are being smart and safe when operating their ATV/UTVs on Town roads.

Anyone riding on the pavement needs to be aware of the rules and regulations. Only one person per ATV and helmets are required for anyone under 18 (and highly recommended for all ages). In addition to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources regulations (visit dnr.gov), please be aware of the following local regulations:

All Town roads are designated routes except for County Highways (OO, W, PP, ZZ) and State Highway 57 (except for agricultural use). All operators must ride on the extreme right side of the pavement, shall not exceed 35 MPH, ride single file if in groups of more than one ATV/UTV, must be 16 years of age or older and possess a valid DL and DNR safety certificate if born after 1988, must yield to vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and may not ride outside the hours of 5:00AM to 11:00PM except for properly licensed agricultural ATV/UTVs.

The full ordinance can be found on the Town of Rockland website or at the Town Hall.











A Note from Greenleaf Fire Department

Crash Detection features are now available on newer cell phones and watches. It detects a severe crash and automatically contacts emergency services with the device's location. This past summer, we were dispatched along with police and medical responders to a person riding in a cart who unknowingly had their cell phone fall out of their pocket, which created an alert. When 911 tried to contact the phone, there was no response. Call takers/dispatchers had to assume that an actual crash had occurred, and the people involved were not able to communicate. If you accidentally call 911, stay on the line, do not hang up and explain to the call taker what happened. The same holds true for a Crash Detection alert. Be sure to respond to the alert you will receive and tell them you have no emergency or emergency services will be sent. Check out our Facebook posting on January 19 for additional information.

Our 103rd Annual Greenleaf Fireman's Picnic will be held on **SATURDAY**, **JULY 19**, **from NOON to 10 PM**. Stay informed by following us on Facebook.

ROCKLAND 4H NEWS

During the January monthly meeting, Mr. Mark Walter – Business Development Manager from the Brown County Recycling Division was invited to be our guest speaker/presenter. His presentation included slides, video and handouts. Mr. Walter went through categories of what can be curb side recycled and what cannot.

On February 8th members (and parents) put together a Super Bowl/Valentine meal for about 50 people that was donated to Freedom House in Green Bay. Members fried up hamburger for sloppy joes, hash brown cheesy potatoes, raman noodle & cabbage salad, baked beans, fruit fluff and for dessert, red velvet cupcakes and Oreo cookies dipped in white chocolate with candy eyes attached.

At the February meeting, we took tee shirts, cut them up into 4 parts and then braided to create dog toys. Future activities for the club include: the Cultural Arts Events – we have a skit and music participation, 3 on 3 basketball/corn hole toss event, the club craft day and the Electronics Recycle Event.

Families should mark their calendars for <u>April 12th for the Rockland Electronics Recycle Event.</u> There will be a Booyah and a Bake Sale (get there early). This event is for anyone; you do not need to be a resident of Rockland. Members will be there to assist in unloading your car and hauling to the designated area in the parking lot.

Submitted by: Club Reporters Trinity/Emily





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Rockland Recycling Event

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Date: Saturday April 12

Where: 1712 Bob-Bea-Jan Rd

De Pere, WI 54115

Time: 8 AM – 12 PM

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27th Annual Rockland Rummage Sale

The Annual Rockland Rummage Sale will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the Town of Rockland. I am asking for \$7.00 per participating household. The fee will cover ads in various papers and maps, listing the garage sale locations and the items that people have for sale.

You will be responsible for putting up your own signs off of Hwy 57, PP, ZZ, W and wherever else you'd like to direct people to your sale. Each person in the Rockland Rummage Sale will get 15 maps to hand out to customers or to post at their sale. Rockland Rummage Sale maps will be dropped off at your home prior to Saturday's sale. Extras will be on hand at the Town Hall upon request.

If you would like to participate, please fill out and return this form by Monday, April 14th so we have time to assemble maps. Send the form and the \$7.00 fee payable to the Town of Rockland, to Clerk, Rockland Town Hall, 1712 Bob Bea Jan Road, De Pere, WI 54115. If you have any questions, please call 920-336-2814. Thank you. (no cash is held for change at the Town Hall)

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27th Annual Rockland Rummage Sale – Sat., April 26, 2025

Name:		
Address:		
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		
Include items for sale that you would like on the listing: (or send electronically to	
rgraner@rocklandbrownwi.gov)		
DAYS YOUR RUMMAGE SALE WILL BE OPEN:		

Rockland Dog License for 2025

All dogs must be licensed according to State law and there are no exceptions. Please fill out this application and return to Mary Van Dyck, 2185 Deer Point Lane, De Pere, WI 54115 along with a check made out to the Town of Rockland. The fee for a dog license is \$5.00 for a neutered or spayed dog. The fee for a male or female dog that is not neutered or spayed is \$10.00. Anyone with 3 or more dogs must get a kennel license. The fee for a kennel license is \$40.00. If you have a kennel license, there is no additional fee for each dog.

Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope. You must include a copy of the rabies shots.

Name of Dog	Phone number	
Name of dog owner		
Address		
Breed	Color	
Chip No. if chipped		
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Date of rabies shot	Expiration Date of rables shot	



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