

TOWN OF WAUSAU NEWSLETTER

October 23, 2020

REMEMBER TO VOTE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3



Here are few things to know about voting:

- November 3 is the Presidential Election.
- Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Town of Wausau residents vote at the Town of Wausau Municipal Building at 161484 County Rd. Z.
- You will need to bring a photo ID to vote.
- Curbside voting will be available. Honk your car horn when you arrive, and a poll worker will meet you at your car.
- Masks are highly recommended.
- A registration application may be submitted for someone that is 17 and will turn 18 by election day.
- New residents of the town that have resided for at least 28 days may register to vote.
- Residents that have moved within the town or have changed their last name must reregister.
- Approved "proof of residency" must be provided at registration.
- Register by email(clerk@townofwausau.com), online at <https://myvote.wi.gov>, or mail with the required documents until 20 days prior to the election date.
- Registration can be done at the polls on election day or in person at the clerk's office.
- "Early voting" in WI means to vote by absentee ballot either by mail or in person at the clerk's office (by appointment only).
- A Wisconsin application for absentee ballot form must be filled out and submitted to the clerk along with a copy of a photo ID or a ballot can be requested online: <https://myvote.wi.gov>.
- Visit <http://www.townofwausau.com> for in person absentee voting information.
- In person absentee voting is never allowed on the day prior to an election.
- An absentee ballot must be received back by the closing of the polls on election day in order to be counted.
- Please contact Cindy Worden if you have any questions at 715/297-1157 or clerk@townofwausau.com

IT'S ALMOST TAX SEASON

Here are a few reminders about the upcoming property tax bills:

- Need a receipt? You can access your receipt online or you can send a self-addressed, stamped envelope along with your tax payment.
- Double check that your check is written out for the correct amount and made payable to the Town of Wausau.
- The Town of Wausau Treasurer cannot accept payments after February 1 nor can she accept second payments that are due in the summer.
- Dog license: please download the dog license form on the Town of Wausau website and return it to the Town of Wausau Treasurer with a copy of the rabies certificate from your veterinary.
- You can access all your tax needs online. If you lose your bill, need a receipt, or want to check if your taxes have been paid, access this information online at: <https://ascent.co.marathon.wi.us/AscentLandRecords/>

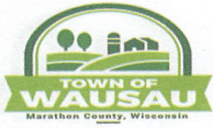
Any questions please do not hesitate to call Susie Borchardt 715/551-2868

BE SURE TO TEST YOUR SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR

It is important to test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors frequently to make sure they are working and replace the batteries when needed. If you do not have these in your home, it is recommended purchasing and installing them as soon as possible. Please follow the instructions as to when to replace these devices. The rule of thumb is anything over 10 years old should be replaced. Both items could save your life!

2020 ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE WEEKEND

The 2020 Town of Wausau Annual Rummage Sale Weekend was held September 18-20. There were 36 sale addresses and of the 30 reporting, there was a grand total of \$19,286 in sales. Nineteen businesses contributed to cover advertising expenses. All were aware that any remaining money would be donated to the Town of Wausau Fire Department. Those businesses (in no particular order) are: Sunset Store, The Window Box, Chico's, Larson Heating & Cooling, Homestead, John Prah Excavating, Zientara's, Sugar Hill Sugar Bush, Owl Ridge General Store, Lucky's, SK Excavating & Trucking,



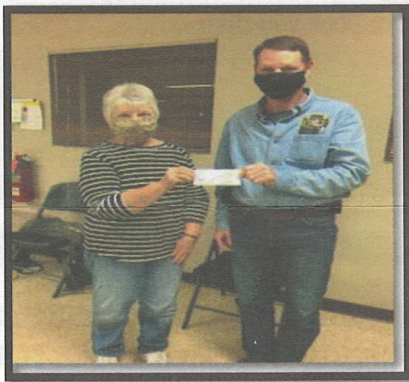
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Preble Creek Sugar Bush, Newby's Evergreen Farm, Wausau Mobile Pet Hospital, Green Valley Septic, Sun Harvester, Nancy's JaMar's, Garden of Eden, and Teeth by Heath for a total of \$1,305. Expenses totaled \$324.95. A check for \$980.05 was presented to the Fire Department. The 2021 annual sale dates are tentatively set for May 14-16. Watch for details in the April town newsletter.

THANK YOU

The **FIRE DEPARTMENT** would like to thank everyone who participated in the town wide rummage sale in September. A donation of \$980.05 from the event was donated to the department. This donation will be used for purchasing future equipment.



Nancy Anderson presents funds from the 2020 Annual Rummage Sale to Kevin Yolitz, Fire Department Chief

ROAD PROJECTS

With summer ending, the following road projects were completed:

- Approximately 3 miles of roads: Restlawn Road, Spur Lane, and Junction Road were reconstructed which includes ditching, gravel lifts, blacktopping and shouldering.
- 2 miles of roads received granite lifts.
- Over 19 miles of roads had crack filling completed.
- 13 culverts were replaced.
- Over 20 miles of town roads received shouldering improvements.
- Cleaning ditches and mowing is ongoing.

With winter approaching, please be cautious when driving, watch for the snowplow, and avoid plowing snow across and into the roadway. Plowing snow across the road creates a bad situation for other travelers and is fineable under WI State Statutes. Garbage dumpsters

should not be placed in the road. This creates a hazard for other drivers and snow removal because the road cannot be plowed completely. This also causes extra expense and delays in the plowing of roads.

SNOW PLOWING ACROSS THE ROAD

The Town of Wausau Ordinance Sec. 58.104: Depositing Snow Removal states: *No person may push or deposit snow, or cause snow to be pushed or deposited from his/her own personal driveway or parking area into the public streets and/or alley or roadway.* Pushing snow across the road can cause unsafe road conditions as well as slush/icy conditions. For the safety of people traveling our town roads, please do not push snow across the road.

ATV/UTV ROUTES

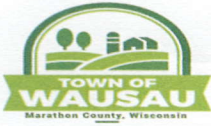


The Town of Wausau Board has designated the use of ATV/UTVs on certain roads in the township. The Board adopted the ATV/UTV regulations and rules of operation 7.125 of the General Code of Ordinances for Marathon County which can be viewed at:

https://library.municode.com/wi/marathon_county/code/s/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=CH7TRCO

The following town roads have been designated ATV/UTV routes: Affinity Road, Acadia Road, Birch Ridge Court, Camaro Road, Chico Road, Clover Creek Road, Cloverbelt Road, Colonial Road, Del Rio Road North of Restlawn Road, Distant Lane, Farm Ridge Road, Fire Station Road, Forest Lawn Road north to Farm Ridge Road, Foxwood Court, Granite Road, Hayfield Road, Hill View Court, Hollirob Lane, Jay Circle, Lonely Lane, Lori Jody Lane, McIntosh Road east of Cty. Hwy X, Meadow Lane, Mercedes Road, Northfork Drive, Owl Ridge Road, Pasture Lane, Pine Hills Drive, Pond Crest Road, Restlawn Road, Sandy Banks Drive, Shamrock Road, Shenandoah Ridge Road, Sorrell Lane, Sugar Hill Lane, and Sunnybrook Road.

If you have questions regarding the ATV/UTV regulations and enforcement, please contact the Sheriff's Office at 715/261-1200. In case of an emergency, please call 911.



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RECYCLING NEWS



Have questions about what can be recycled, please call the Marathon Solid Waste and Recycling Info Line at 1-877-270-3989 or visit:

<http://www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org/where-to-put-it>) For statewide information visit: www.recyclerightwisconsin.org.

PUT THESE ITEMS IN THE RECYCLING BIN:

PAPER: Office paper and junk mail, paper bags, catalogs and magazines, phone books and paperback books, newspapers, envelopes with or without windows, flattened paper egg cartons and containers, and cardboard-rolls & tubes.

GLASS: rinsed jars and bottles.

CANS: aluminum (do not crush), steel (push partially attached lid into can), aerosol (must be empty, non-pesticide).

PLASTIC: bottles and containers from your kitchen, bathroom, and laundry room.

DO NOT PUT THESE ITEMS IN THE RECYCLING

BIN: Plastic bags; plastic film or wrap: zip-loc bags, shrink wrap, toilet paper packaging, newspaper bags, packaging film; plastic straws, plates, or silverware; drink pouches; expanded polystyrene foam ("Styrofoam," #6); egg cartons, plates, hot beverage cups, formed packing pieces, packing peanuts; aluminum foil or baking pans; mirror or window glass; motor oil containers; light bulbs; ceramics or clay pots; soiled papers (tissues, towels, cardboard, etc.); CD cases; vinyl siding, etc.; food. (Some of these items can be recycled in other ways.)

Electronics are **banned from Wisconsin landfills** and can be brought to the Marathon County Solid Waste Department for a fee. Fees can be found at <http://www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org/electronics>. Electronics include computer monitors, computers and laptops, keyboards, televisions – all kinds, cameras and recorders with screens, DVD and VCR players/recorders, printers, scanners, fax machines, and cell phones with screens.

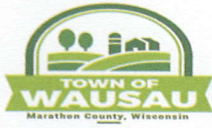
TOWN OF WAUSAU BURNING REGULATIONS

1. Burning is permitted seven days a week except on all legal holidays.
2. No permit is needed for campfires if used for cooking or warmth. Time and day are exempt.
3. Hours of burning are from 4:00 p.m. till midnight when winds are less than 8 mph.
4. No permit is required where the ground is completely covered with 1 (one) inch of snow. Hours for burning are exempt as long as the wind is less than 8 mph.
5. It is the owner's responsibility to call the DNR HOT LINE @ 888-947-2876 to see if burning is allowed that day in Marathon County (Enter 37 for Marathon). Then call the Sheriff's Department @ 715/261-1200 to let them you are doing a controlled burn. *You must contact both the DNR and the Sheriff's Department.*
6. Remember you are liable for any fire you start, and all expenses incurred in the suppression of the fire you caused.
7. Materials that may not be burned are:
 - Wet, combustible rubbish, such as wet cardboard or paper.
 - Oily substances, such as oily or greasy rags, oil filters or paper.
 - Asphalt such as asphalt shingles or tarpaper.
 - Plastic of any kind including plastic bottles and plastic bags.
 - Rubber products including tires and hoses.
8. A Town of Wausau burning permit must be obtained before burning trees, brush, stumps, pallets, and dry unpainted/untreated wood. A burning permit is issued for any three days.
9. Burning barrel permits must be obtained before burning small amounts of dry mixed paper, container board (for example: cereal boxes and beverage packaging). A burning barrel permit is issued annually.
10. No permits are to be issued for open burning to businesses per the DNR.

BURNING PERMITS & BURNING BARREL PERMITS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM:

Permits can only come from the following NOT the DNR website:

Kevin Yolitz	715/432-3602
Kyle Borchardt	715/340-3561
Owl Ridge General Store	715/848-2855



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It is flu season and there are many similarities and differences between COVID-19 and flu. Here are a few things you should know:

- With COVID-19 and flu one or more days can pass between a person becoming infected before they begin to experience illness symptoms.
- COVID-19 can take longer to develop symptoms than with the flu.
- If someone is asymptomatic or their symptoms go away, it is possible to remain contagious for at least 10 days after testing positive for COVID-19.
- It is possible to spread the virus for at least one day before experiencing any symptoms with both COVID 19 and the flu.
- A person with COVID-19 may be contagious for a longer period than if they had flu.
- How long someone can spread the virus that causes COVID-19 is still under investigation.
- Both COVID-19 and flu can spread from person-to-person, between people who are in close contact (within about 6 feet).
- Both are spread mainly by droplets made when people with the illness (COVID-19 or flu) cough, sneeze, or talk. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.
- Both flu virus and COVID-19 may be spread to others by people before they begin showing symptoms, with very mild symptoms or who never developed symptoms (asymptomatic).
- While COVID-19 and flu viruses are thought to spread in similar ways, COVID-19 is more contagious among certain populations and age groups than flu.
- COVID-19 has been observed to have more superspreading events than flu. This means the virus that causes COVID-19 can quickly and easily spread to a lot of people and result in continuous spreading among people as time progresses.

Flu Symptoms: Influenza (flu) can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. Flu is different from a cold. Flu usually comes on suddenly. People who have flu often feel some or all these symptoms:

- Fever or feeling feverish/chills (not everyone will have a fever); cough; sore throat; runny or stuffy nose; muscle or body aches; headaches; fatigue (tiredness). Some people may have vomiting and diarrhea, though this is more common in children than adults.

COVID-19 Symptoms: People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills; cough; shortness of breath or difficulty breathing; fatigue; muscle or body aches; headache; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; congestion or runny nose; nausea or vomiting; diarrhea. This list does not include all possible symptoms.

Since both symptoms are so similar, the only sure way to know if you have COVID-19 is to get tested. Protect yourself by:

- Washing your hands often with soap and water
- Avoiding close contact -social distance
- Covering your mouth and nose if you cough or sneeze
- Cleaning and disinfecting
- Wearing a mask
- Monitoring your health
- And getting the flu shot

For more information visit the

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/symptoms/flu-vs-covid19.htm>

The website has a wealth of information. (Resource for this article: Center for Disease Control and Prevention)

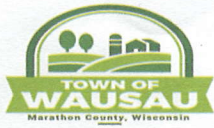
NOTICE TOWN OF WAUSAU, MARATHON COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that a special town meeting of the electors Town of Wausau, Marathon County, Wisconsin, will be held in the town at the Town of Wausau Municipal Building 161484 County Road Z, Wausau, WI. 54403 on the 9th day of November, 2020 immediately following the completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed 2021 town budget which begins at 7:00 pm. For the following purpose:

1. To approve the 2020 total town tax levy to be collected in 2021 pursuant to s. 60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Stats.
2. To establish the compensation for elected town officers pursuant to s. 60.10(1)(b)1, WI. Stats

Dated this 19th day of October 2020

By: Cynthia L. Worden, Clerk of the Town of Wausau



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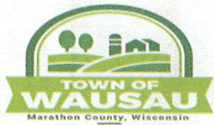
NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING FOR TOWN OF WAUSAU MARATHON COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town of Wausau Municipal Building, 161484 Cty.Rd. Z, a Public Hearing on the proposed 2021 budget of the Town of Wausau, Marathon County, WI will be held. The proposed detailed budget is available online at <http://www.townofwausau.com>

Dated this 19th day of October, 2020

By Cynthia L Worden, Town of Wausau Clerk

General Fund	2020 Budget	2021 Proposed Budget	% change
Reserved Funds:			
Rd. Reconstruction	100,000	175,000	
Shop Outlay	60,500	0	
Fire Dept. Equip.	29,000	31,000	
Revenues:			
Taxes			
General Property Taxes	676,580	682,897	0.94
Other Taxes	12,763	12,753	
Special Assessments	124,000	127,213	
Intergovernmental Revenues	241,473	241,233	
Licenses & Permits	7,425	7,245	
Fines, Forfeitures, & Penalties	0	0	
Public Chrgs. for Services	7,100	7,600	
Misc. Revenues	17,500	12,500	
Granite Pit Contract Royalty	20,000	20,000	
Proceeds from Borrowing	0	0	
Total Revenues	1,106,841	1,111,441	
Cash Balance Applied	75,500	25,000	
Total Revenues	1,182,341	1,136,441	-3.9
Total Rev. & Res. Funds	1,371,841	1,342,441	
Expenditures:			
General Government	115,939	116,939	
Public Safety	78,152	75,408	
Public Works	941,175	890,306	
Debt. Service	81,575	81,575	
Garbage/Recycle Contract	124,000	127,213	
Other Financing Uses	0	0	
Total Expenditures	1,340,841	1,291,441	-3.7
Reserved Funds:			
Rd. Reconstruction	0	0	
Future Equipment Fund	0	18,000	
Fire Dept. Equip.	31,000	33,000	



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231256 Shenandoah Ridge Road
Wausau, WI 54403



**TOWN OF WAUSAU
BUDGET MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2020
7:00 P.M.**



**HAPPY HALLOWEEN
TRICK TREAT HOURS 4-7 P.M.
OCTOBER 31
BE SURE TO TURN ON AN OUTSIDE
LIGHT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TRICK OR
TREATERS**

**INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR TOWN
CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR, CLERK, OR
TREASURER**



Nomination papers will be available after
December 1. Contact Cindy Worden, Town Clerk, if
you would like to run for office.

TOWN OF WAUSAU CONTACTS



Chair: John Prah	715/571-6217
Supervisors:	
Linda Glatczak	715/848-2855
Sharon Hunter	715/842-7433
Clerk: Cynthia Worden	715/297-1157
Treasurer: Susan Borchardt	715/551-2868
Fire Chief: Kevin Yolitz	715/432-3602
Assessor: Kurt Moeller	715/298-2061
Zoning Permits: Larry Vesely	715/574-9186
Municipal Center:	715/845-8458



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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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