SPRING 2012

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9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. MONDAY through FRIDAY

Regular Board Meetings are normally scheduled on the FIRST and THIRD TUESDAYS of each month. Notices are posted at the Town Hall, Fire Station, Beaver Creek Reserve, Gordy's County Market and www.townofseymour.org.

SEYMOUR CHRONICLE

TOWN OF SEYMOUR 6500 TOWER DRIVE EAU CLAIRE, WI 54703











FROM YOUR BOARD CHAIR, Douglas Kranig

Greetings Seymour Residents,

This past winter with little snow and warmer than usual temperatures meant that the Town did not have to spend as much money on snow plowing and heating, much like everyone else. Because of that, we may have some extra money to spend on road maintenance and repairs.

We plan to resurface two miles of road again this year and we intend to resurface and stripe the parking lot at the Town Hall. We are also remodeling the kitchen in the Town Hall. The original cupboards and counter tops are being replaced (they are over 30 years old) along with the flooring and range hoods. It should be done before summer. All these expenses are within the current budget. We think it is important to maintain the buildings and grounds properly as they get a lot of use.

Just a couple reminders:

DO NOT let your dogs run loose! Keep them under your control or on a leash.

DO take your garbage container back from the end of your driveway the same day as you placed it out there. DO NOT leave it there for days!

Please contact a Board member with concerns or ideas.

Warm Regards, Doug

NOTICE:

WISCONSIN ACT 23: VOTER PHOTO IDENTIFICATION LAW

There are two major election changes for voters:

- 1. Voter ID is required to vote
- 2. All voters are required to sign the Poll List

See the "Clerks Corner" and the insert for more information

<u>Reminder:</u> The Town Hall has a DROP BOX for your convenience (dog license, tax payments and other items)

THE ANNUAL MEETING IS

APRIL 10, 2012 7:30 P.M.
AT THE SEYMOUR TOWN HALL

IMPORTANT DATES

APRIL 3

SPRING ELECTION
7AM TO 8PM
AT THE TOWN HALL

APRIL 6

GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 10

ANNUAL MEETING 7:30PM AT THE TOWN HALL

MAY 28

MEMORIAL DAY OFFICE CLOSED

SEPTEMBER 3

LABOR DAY
OFFICE CLOSED

NOVEMBER 6

ELECTION DAY

NOVEMBER 22 & 23

THANKSGIVING OFFICE CLOSED

DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS
OFFICE CLOSED

CLERKS CORNER, Glenda Lyons

April 3, 2012 is the SPRING ELECTION. Local school board members, County Board members and the Fall Creek school district referendum will be on the ballot. The local elections are extremely important - please take time out that day to vote. We will be here from 7am until 8pm. Don't forget you will need to bring a photo id (like your Drivers license) and you will be required to sign the poll book on Election Day. Absentee voting rules have also changed so please contact me early if you need to vote via absentee ballot.

Do you have a DOG? If so, it needs to be licensed within the Town of Seymour. The tags are good from January through December. This means your tag expires in DECEMBER. Please renew your tag before I send you a reminder in March. By that point your tag has been expired for three months. Anytime a mailing goes out (like reminder letters) it is an expense to the town. Set a goal to renew your tags on time in December of 2012. Please remember we require the "PROOF OF RABIES VACINATION" to issue you a tag.

Board of Review in early summer... Our "Open Book" meetings are held with Bowmar Appraisal assessors. These meetings are open to the public to view and discuss any property values within our Town. Approximately two weeks after Open Book meetings, we hold a two hour meeting for anyone wishing to contest their values. This is called "Board of Review". At this meeting you are required to "prove" why your property should be at a lower (or higher) value. Anyone interested in these meetings and needing more information can give me call.

FROM YOUR BUILDING INSPECTOR, FRED HANKEL

To all Town of Seymour residents planning to build or remodel on your property: remember, you need a building permit for **most** projects, including roofing and residing. If you are not sure if you need a permit or if you have any questions, please call the building inspector (Fred Hankel) at 715-830-9220. Most jobs require a licensed or registered contractor. Make sure you have that information when applying for a building permit.

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FROM YOUR TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT



What a difference a year makes. Instead of being dumped on with snow this winter, we've had it pretty nice! An unfortunate side effect of the milder winter has been the increase in chimney fires. Chimney fires can escalate into structure fires. Please check your chimneys, and keep them cleaned.

Dan and Tammy Anderson donated a fourth AED to the Fire Dept last year. If you see Dan or Tammy, please thank them for their generous donation. Four of our 1st Responders carry an AED, and another unit is on our Rescue Squad. The Seymour Ball Club also has an AED available during ball season.

Our Christmas party was held in December. "Santa" made an anonymous donation again this year. Thank you very much. Your gift made for a great evening. Now, if you'll just let me know where to leave the milk and cookies.......

Our annual pancake breakfast will again be on Father's Day, June 17, 2012. Please take Dad out for breakfast with us. Your support has been wonderful. Thank you.

As a reminder for spring cleanup, you need to obtain a burning permit by calling our Dispatch at 715-834-6868.

Have a safe spring.

Kerry Parker Battalion Chief Township Fire Dept. - Seymour Station

FROM SUPERVISOR Sheila Running

What a nice winter it has been. Looking ahead to spring, I want to again ask you to keep your eyes open and a pen or pencil handy to record license numbers and vehicle descriptions of anyone you see leaving trash along our roadsides. (Please call the Eau Claire County Sheriff's Department to report incident right away and then call the Town Hall to give us that information as well.)

During 2011, our road crew picked up 119 tires, 24 pieces of furniture and mattresses, 14 electronic pieces computers, etc.), 9 bags of garbage, 1 muffler, 1 exhaust pipe, 1 roll of carpeting and 15 gallons of used oil from the ditches along our town roads. It costs the Town fees to dispose of these items and that of course. comes from our tax dollars. We suspect much of this is dumped by people other than Town residents. We hope we can stop these incidents by using your eyes to see and report this so the offenders can be fined and others will be discouraged from dumping along our roads.

There are many places you can recycle items for free or at little cost. (We do have some info available at the Town office regarding these sites.) Please consider using those businesses to dispose of your old/no longer used items. Together, we can stop this offensive behavior.

Once again, please contact your Board members with any concerns you may have.

Have a wonderful Spring and Summer!!

DID YOU KNOW?

On the first of every month you can obtain a \$35.00 discount voucher for spaying or neutering your dog. This is offered by the Eau Claire County Humane Association.

The Aging and Disability Resource Center offers a variety of programs such as transportation to help you maintain your independence. Contact them or visit their website for more information.

www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/adrc

HEALTH BITS

Stress is hard on your heart. Did you know deep breathing techniques can help you in a stressful situation?
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Also, get enough sleep. It's recommended you get at least seven hours of sleep per night. And last, schedule some time for yourself to do things you enjoy. These simple things can relieve some of the stress on your heart. STAY HEALTHY AND HAPPY!

FROM THE SEYMOUR BALL CLUB

The opening day for this year's ball season is:

Monday, April 30th, 2012.

A few dates to keep in mind are: Girls' Tournament is: June 15-17 Boy's Tournament is: July 20-22

If you have any questions or issues for your Seymour Ball Club, please contact:

Doug Richardson (softball) 715-210-8835 Steve Plitzner (baseball) 715-829-6984

For more information you may also visit our website:
www.seymourballclub.com

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BRUSH SITE, RECYCLING AND LANDFILL

<u>BRUSH</u> and <u>RECYCLING</u> areas are located just East of the Landfill on County Highway Q. The hours are: Tuesdays Noon-4:00P.M. and Saturdays 8:00A.M.-11:30A.M.

These are the same days and times the landfill can be utilized by Seymour residents at no charge <u>with a permit</u>. For more information on the brush site please visit the website:

http://www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/Recycle/recycle.htm

(This is a county program through the Department of Planning and Development and is separate from the landfill.)

<u>REMINDER:</u> BEFORE GOING TO THE LANDFILL, PLEASE CALL THE TOWN HALL (715.834.4999) IF YOU NEED TO UPDATE YOUR VEHICLE OR PLATE INFORMATION. ALSO, PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS FOR HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE ONLY! THANK YOU

DOG LICENSES

A dog more than 5 months of age must be licensed. It is the **resident's responsibility** to license their dog. The State requires Proof of Rabies Vaccination EACH year. This does not mean your pet needs the vaccination every year. Please bring your <u>CERTIFICATE OF RABIES VACCINATION</u> from the vet to prove your dog's shots are current. No need to make copies as we use it for the receipt and return it to you. <u>LICENSES EXPIRE EACH YEAR ON DECEMBER 31</u>. New license tags are available starting December 1 each year. The fee for neutered/spayed dogs is \$7.00 and for dogs not neutered/spayed the fee is \$18.00. Late fees of \$5.00 are charged beginning April 1st --- Ordinance #80-3. Citations will be issued beginning June 1st for unlicensed dogs. The cost of the citation is \$50 plus court costs which are currently \$165. Please be prompt with licensing your dogs.

If you prefer to mail this to us, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so we can send the tag and vaccination papers back to you. **THANK YOU**

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