

# Winfield News

This newsletter is being sent to all Town of Winfield residents and residential property owners.

It contains recycling information and the latest in town news.

December 2017

## **Letter from the Chairperson**

Another year has come and gone. This past summer we had our town social to celebrate our town hall building being 100 years old! We had a great gathering of current and former town residents and school teachers. We shared stories and a wonderful selection of food. Thanks to all who attended. For road work this year, we seal coated three roads, re-built one road, and put a two-inch mat on another. We continue to mow as far back as we can along the town roads. If anyone has anything they would like to bring to the town board, please let me know. You can call me at 608-495-0822.

Happy holidays.

Ron Churchill, Chairperson

#### **County Board Supervisor News**

After two terms of serving the people of the 4<sup>th</sup> District of Sauk County, I have decided to not run for a third term. I have enjoyed the work of representing my friends and neighbors, and I have learned a lot. My proudest moments were when I was working on behalf of my constituents.

When I ran for the County Board in 2014, I had just returned from the U.S. Air Force and was looking for an opportunity to continue to serve. I was very grateful to have won that election

and set out to earn the respect of my fellow supervisors. By working hard and being receptive to my constituents, I became a trusted member of the board. I assume I did well enough by my district when I was reelected.

I would like to thank all the people of District 4 for allowing me the opportunity to serve you. I now look forward to spending more time with my growing family and exploring ways I can serve the community in the future.

Nathan Johnson, County Board Supervisor

# **Recycling Update**

The town has a contract with Peterson Sanitation, Inc. (a division of Town and Country Sanitation, Inc. of Boscobel) to provide recycling and garbage pick up. In 2018, the cost to you will be \$154.44 per year which will be added to your tax bill. Garbage pick up will be every Tuesday. Recyclables will be picked up every other Tuesday. Garbage should be put in plastic bags and sealed. Recyclables should be put in the plastic bins provided by the company. Please keep newspapers and cardboard dry.

Please note that if a holiday falls on a Monday or Tuesday, our pick up day will be Wednesday. In 2018, these Wednesdays are: 1/3/18, 5/30/18, 9/5/18, and 12/27/18. If you need to contact the company, please call 608-524-6603.

## **Dog Licenses**

The town treasurer issues dog licenses; however, effective this year, if you get a dog from the Sauk County Humane Society, they may also issue you a dog license.

## **Grass Clippings on the Road**

Grass clippings are mostly water, so when tires from a car or motorcycle have clippings between them and the road, things can get out of control pretty quick. The dangerousness depends on the amount of grass on the road, how wet they are, and whether the clippings are on a curve.

It's easy to prevent the clippings from flying onto the road while cutting grass: cut so that the discharge chute is aimed back at the yard. If your clippings are in the road, you may be held liable for injuries caused by your clippings creating a dangerous situation.

Please be safe and courteous. For the first three or four mowing rounds, point the discharge "in" to your yard ... away from the road. Not only is it safer, it looks better and is even "good" for your yard.

#### **Election Info**

**Polling Place & Poll Hours -** The polling place is the Winfield Town Hall at the intersection of County Roads K and F just north of Reedsburg (S1992 County Road K). The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Voter Web Site - Wisconsin has a voter web site called My Vote Wisconsin. Voters can look up their registration status, voting history, polling place location, the district assignments, and office holders in those districts. Voters can also complete an absentee ballot form from this web site, and register or update their registration. Check out this web site: http://myvote.wi.gov.

#### **Election Dates**

2/20/18 – primary 4/3/18 – general election 8/14/18 – primary 11/6/18 – general election

#### **Road Work**

Road work done this year includes: Kelley Road, pulverize, seal coat, \$22,773 Kosch Road, seal coat, \$12,999 Luedtke Road, overlay, \$20,107 Skinner Road, paved, \$13,145 Wiese Road, seal coat, \$14,650

The town spent over \$58,800 for snow plowing, over \$3,200 for brushing, and over \$23,800 for mowing.

## **Town Hall Improvements**

In 2017, we cleaned out the town hall basement, repaired the basement walls, and had them painted. A fan was installed in the basement and Lexon was installed over the basement windows. Gutters were added and the steps and ramp were painted.

# **Uniform Dwelling Inspector**

The town's Uniform Dwelling Inspector (UDC) changed this year. The state appointed the General Engineering Company out of Portage as our new inspector who inspects all new houses to ensure they are built to code. Our contact person is Peter Giese at 608-697-7778.

# **Snow Plowing**

The town board will continue to contract with the Sauk County Highway Department to plow the town roads.

The county has informed us that they will no longer do snow plowing, sanding, or salting for private residences or businesses.

## **Town Board Meetings**

The town board meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the town hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# **Driveway Permit Revised**

The town's driveway permit form was revised in 2017. The main changes include having the proposed driveway staked out before the paperwork is submitted to the town, and the line of sight requirement is between 200 and 500 feet at the discretion of the plan commission and town board. The new form may be found on the town's web site or on the bulletin board at the town hall.

#### **Culverts**

Property owners are reminded that the culverts on their property are their own responsibility to keep clear so water can freely run through them.

## **Building Permit Information**

If you plan to build a new agricultural building, contact Kurt Mead for a permit.

If you plan to add an addition to your house, build a new house, build any building, or build a non-ag fence, please inform Kurt Mead.

If you plan to install or change a driveway, please contact the town clerk.

#### **ATV & UTV Routes**

In August 2017, the town board designated all town roads as ATV and UTV routes.

#### **Town Web Site**

The town's web site has been updated. You can find meeting agendas and minutes, a calendar, forms, and ordinances on the web site.

Town Web Site: www.townofwinfieldwi.com

## **Ag Plastic Recycling**

Recycle your silage bags, bunker covers, bale wrap, plastic feed bags, and hoop film for free. The company prefers them to be in supersacks or tied in tight, manageable bundles. They may be dropped off at the Sauk County Highway Shop at 620 County Road 136, Baraboo. Bale netting and mesh are not accepted.

Free supersacks are available in Reedsburg at the Reedsburg Farmers Cooperative and United Cooperative.

The 2018 drop off dates are: 1/17/18, 3/21/18, 5/16/18, 7/18/18, 9/19/18, and 11/14/18 from 10 a.m. until noon.

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