

MEET THE BOARD & STAFF

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Shelly Hiemstra, Supervisor
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Cindy Sheskey, Clerk
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2024 Election Dates: 4/2/24, 8/13/24, 11/5/24

NOTE: Public election machine ICE testing will be held on the Wednesday BEFORE each election at 4:00 pm Call Cindy Sheskey for absentee ballot (920) 291-7743 or go to myvote.wi.gov

SNOW PLOWING IN ROAD

Residents are asked to not plow any snow from driveway into the road and across the road. This is a violation of state statutes and it causes extra wear and tear on township plows trying to push snow piles back to keep off the roadway.

GARBAGE CANS IN ROAD

Residences are asked to watch how you place your garbage cans on the road for pick up during the winter months. Plows have a hard time seeing cans on side of roadway and we would rather not be plowing your garbage cans into the ditch.

Randy Zabel

The Township lost the services of the finest road supervisor in the state with the passing of Randy in January of this year. Randy worked for our township over 30 years. He will be replaced physically but his knowledge and dedication to our township will be deeply missed by all.

PUBLIC POSTING NOTICES

Updated Statues 985.02 (2)(a): public notices will be posted in the town hall entrance and on our website. (Example-Meeting agenda, minutes, meeting date changes, annual budget and other notices). No longer will you see posting in the 3 posting boxes located throughout the township.

TAX BILL IMPROVEMENTS

Improvements removed from land must be gone completely and inspected by the township appraiser before January 1st of the tax year to be removed from rolls. Otherwise the improvement will be taxed until the following January 1st and then removed from the rolls.

TOWN HALL RENTAL

You can rent YOUR town hall for your events. Chairs, tables, coffee-maker, refrigerator supplied in a nice kitchen area with a large serving counter. Hall has a capacity of 70 and is wheelchair accessible. Rental fee is \$50.00 for town residents plus security deposit. Contracts and details are in the town hall entry on the bulletin board or see our website.

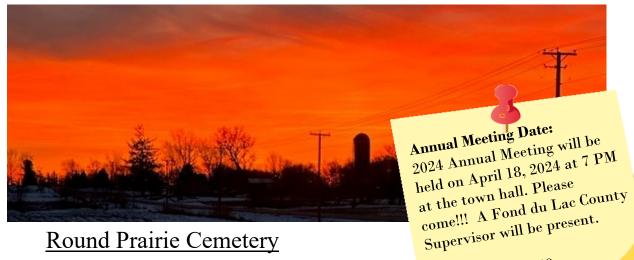
Call Cindy Sheskey (920)291-7743 for availability.

OPEN BOOK & BOARD OF REVIEW

2024 OPEN BOOK-April 15, 6-8pm. You must call Justin Schumacher at 920-766-9166 to discuss your property questions. He will NOT be at Town Hall. BOARD of REVIEW will be April 22, 2024, 6-8pm at Town Hall.

METOMEN NEWS

2024



N6971 Hwy. 44/49 Ripon, WI





After the school was taken down, the town board approved to

fence-in Round Prairie Cemetery to aid the perpetual care.













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UPDATES FROM THE BRANDON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The library has become more than a place to pick up books, and this is especially the case at the Brandon Public Library. Besides books, there are books on tape, DVDs, music CDs, and magazines available, as well. We can get anything you need. Our Library is a part of the Winnefox Library System. So, if we don't have what you're looking for in-house, we can "borrow" from any of the other 29 libraries in the Winnefox System with a 5-day delivery, or they can even acquire from outside the system (state or nation-wide). You can stop in any time to use our fax machine, color printer/copier/scanner, public computers and find Wi-Fi available 24/7. In addition to all these resources, we offer many programs throughout the year. With the support from the Friends of the Brandon Public Library, a non-profit group of volunteers that raise money to assist in the library's programs and services, the library offers monthly craft nights, WIFI HotSpots - connect to the internet wherever US Cellular works, additional Roku Devices with streaming services - using high-speed home Internet



service (or a HotSpot borrowed for free from the library), you can enjoy Netflix, Disney+, Hulu, Paramount+ and more all with one Roku, and STEM Kits for checkout, including GPS and Maps, Astronomy, and Circuits. - all you need is your library card. (for more information to join the Friends Group, contact the library for details). Soon, we are implementing a new collection of board games and card games available for checkout.

HOWEVER, the problems we now face include having outgrown our 19th century facility that is not capable of fully supporting our service area to the fullest. Upgrading and expanding the library facility to provide 21st century accommodations will ensure the library's

continued ability to serve the needs of the area. Our expansion project is out for bid, and we hope to get started on an expansion soon. With this new space, we will be able to offer

more services and resources.

Find us on Facebook, sign up for our email newsletter from our website, or check our website at www.brandonlibrary.net to stay up-to-date.

> Free library card, free resources, stop in, Christy Ross, Director

Brandon Public Library 117 E. Main St. PO BOX 208 Brandon, WI 53919 Phone: 920-346-2350

Email: ross@brandonlibrary.net

Find us on Facebook: "Brandon Library"

UPDATES FROM THE BRANDON-FAIRWATER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Have you ever heard sirens and wondered, where are they going? Have you ever seen smoke coming from a structure and prayed that everyone is okay? The Brandon-Fairwater Fire Department would like to talk to you. We are looking for energetic individuals that are willing to help out our communities that we serve as well as our neighboring departments. If you feel you would like to join the Brandon-Fairwater Fire Department, please feel free to contact myself or any member of the department.

I wish everyone a safe 2024. Kevin Lieske, Chief 920-428-3167



Our recycling area is now electronically monitored so if you don't want to have the town return your junk to you, don't be caught on camera doing the wrong thing.



Garbage in the road ditches causes undue wear and tear on the mower. We keep the ditches mowed...please do your part and keep the ditches near your property free from all debris.

RECYCLING

Welcome our new Recycling attendant Kim Sheskey.

Dumpsters will remain open for your convenience 24-7 with an attendant only on duty the Second (2nd) Monday: 5pm - 7pm, Fourth (4th) Saturday: 9am - 11am. Remember that only recyclables may be placed in dumpsters, all bags must be emptied. Take the plastic bag with you and put in your garbage. Do not leave in the dumpster. Please break down any boxes as flat as possible to save room in the dumpsters. Please make sure you are fully aware of what you put into the recycling so we are not charged extra for unwanted material. The Board does not want to lock dumpsters but if we continue to get garbage and bags in dumpsters we will be forced to only open them twice a month. We have contracted with Harter's Lakeside Disposal for recyclables. This is saving us about \$600/month.

E-RECYCLING

Beginning July of 2023 the township started an e-recycling collection at the town hall when the recycling attendant is on duty ONLY. We accept the following electronic equipment:

- Consumer Computers (desktop, laptop, netbook, and tablet)
- Consumer Printers (desktop-style printers, printer-fax, copier scanner combinations and 3-D printers)
- Consumer video display devices (TV, computer monitors, e-readers)
- Computer peripherals (mouse, keyboard, scanner, etc.)
- Fax machines
- DVD players VCR's
- Digital video players/recorders
- Cell phones

NOT ACCEPTING: Microwaves, Toasters, Vacuums

Please remember this is a service not a privilege. Do your part to keep this service in place.

TOWN ROAD WORK

In following our 5 year road maintenance plan. The Township will be repairing Radio Rd from Carter Rd North to Reeds Corner Rd. Crack filling will also be done on the town roads as needed.

** A Driveway and Culvert Ordinance requires a permit from Town Chairman, Jeff Amend (920) 428-5390

** We will be awarded \$15,000 of the excess Fond du Lac County Sales tax this year to be used for highway.

TAX COLLECTION

We **encourage** you to pay by mail to avoid waiting in line. Payment amounts are included on the payment stubs located at the bottom of our tax bill. Enclose the appropriate payment stubs with your payment. Mail payments to the location listed on the payment stub (note December/January address is DIFFERENT than the July payment address). Please do not enclose the original tax bill.

Payments will be accepted in the form of a check, cashier's check or money order. Certify that an escrow check meets or exceeds the tax bill amount and endorse the escrow check. Overpayments will be refunded within 2 weeks of payment.

WARNING: If payment is not made by the due dates, the installment option is lost and the total tax is delinquent and subject to interest and penalty. See the reverse side of your property tax bill for a complete explanation.



Self Addressed stamped envelope is needed if you want a receipt.



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