

# ***Town of Dewey***

## ***December 2023 Newsletter***

The town board would like to provide residents with an update on things that are happening in the town.

### ***Highlights:***

- ❖ The town is currently in the process of updating the website and town officials'/fire chief's email addresses. Stay tuned to the website at [www.townofdeweywi.com](http://www.townofdeweywi.com) for updates.
- ❖ Road work completed in 2023 can be viewed on the town website.
- ❖ The 5-year road plan can be viewed on the town website.
- ❖ The 2002 Sterling truck is being replaced. A new truck is expected in late 2024 or early 2025.
- ❖ The town board reviewed and updated all town ordinances. These ordinances are still undergoing review by the town's attorney before receiving final approval.
- ❖ A special thank you to Dewey firefighter Malayna Polum's daughter Autumn, who raised funds with her Girl Scout Troop 6260 and applied for a grant with the DNR to help pay for and install a Smokey the Bear fire danger sign on the corner of Sunset Drive and County Road X.

### ***Things to consider:***

- ❖ Portage County increased dog license fees. If you are a dog owner, please pay special attention to the new fees listed on the enclosed license application. Dog license applications are due April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 and may be submitted by mail. You are welcome to drop the application in the town hall lock box if you would like to save a stamp. Licenses will be issued beginning January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.
- ❖ 1<sup>st</sup> installment taxes are due January 31, 2024 to the Portage County Treasurer's office. Payments can be made at their office, mailed, or made online by visiting the Portage County Treasurer's website. The following banks are also accepting payments: The Pineries Bank in Stevens Point, International Bank of Amherst and Community First Bank in Rosholt
- ❖ The town received four ExpressVote universal voting systems from Portage County this year. Voters can use the touchscreen to make their ballot choices. The clerk will hold an open house in early 2024 to demonstrate the new equipment.
- ❖ **2024 Elections** Voting is held at the Dewey Town Hall, polls are open 7:00am – 8:00pm.
  - 2024 Spring Primary Election - Tuesday, February 20, 2024 (if necessary)
  - 2024 Spring & Presidential Preference Election - Tuesday, April 2, 2024
  - 2024 Partisan Primary Election - Tuesday, August 13, 2024
  - 2024 General Election - Tuesday, November 5, 2024
- ❖ Mark your calendars! The Town will celebrate its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary, coinciding with the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fire department. There will be a celebration held at Rivers Edge Campground on Sunday, July 21st, 2024. Contact Town Chairperson, Maurice King, if you would like to sponsor the event or volunteer to help with the celebration.
- ❖ Town meetings are open to the public, typically held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm, at the town hall. For meeting notices, watch the town website ([townofdeweywi.com](http://townofdeweywi.com)) and/or the posting site at Town Hall.
- ❖ Residents should avoid pushing snow across the road or leaving garbage/recycling carts by the road, especially during snow plow season.