



Spring 2018

Quarterly Newsletter

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**A Note from the Chairman:**

The spring seasonal weight limits on all our town roads will go in effect on Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Depending on the weather and temperatures, weight limits will be enforced until late April.

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Town of Rockland Clean Up Day will be Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Please take some time to walk the road ditches along your property and pick up any litter. Every year there is a good group of residents that go out. It would be great to see even more people out this year! Let's keep Rockland a beautiful place to live.

The Land and Water Conservation Department of Brown County is trying to take care of old abandoned wells. If you think you have an abandon well on your property, please contact them at (920) 391-4620 and they will assist you on possible cost-share thru their department.

Farmers, remember to get your I.O.H permits for your tractors and equipment this spring. This is a non-fee, yearly permit that is mandated by the State of Wisconsin. To fill out your permit online, you can go to the Town of Rockland's website .

Remember, all dog licenses are due by April 1<sup>st</sup> of every year. All dogs in the Town of Rockland must have a license and please put the tag on your dog's collar.

With spring around the corner, I hope you can get outside and enjoy the weather!

Thank you,

Dennis J. Cashman

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# Dog Licenses for 2018



Wisconsin State Law dictates that all dogs must be licensed; THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS. Please fill out the following application and return to Mary Van Dyck, 2185 Deer Point Lane, De Pere, WI 54115 along with your check made out to the Town of Rockland.

Name of dog \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of dog owner \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_ Chip no. if available \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Neutered \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed \_\_\_\_\_

Remember to enclose a copy of the rabies shot history for each dog.

Date of Rabies shot \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

## DOG LICENSES

**Dog licenses are due by April 1.** All dogs must be licensed. This is a State law and there are no exceptions. The fee for 2018 is \$5.00 for a neutered or spayed dog OR \$10.00 for a male or female dog that is not neutered or spayed. All applications must be received by **April 1, 2018** or a late fee of \$5.00 will be charged. Please enclose a copy of the rabies shot history for each dog. This will be kept on file with the Town. Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope along with the dog license application form found in this newsletter. Thank you.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Dog licenses and renewals are due April 1, 2018**

**Spring Election, Tuesday, April 3, 7:00 am to 8:00 pm**

**Annual Meeting, Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 pm**

**Rockland Clean Up Day, Saturday, April 21**

**Recycle Event @Town Hall, Sat., April 28, 8:00 am to noon**

**Rockland Rummage Sale, Saturday, April 28th**

**Open Book, Wednesday, May 2, 1:00-3:00 pm**

**Board of Review, Tuesday, May 15, 6:00—8:00 pm**

Residents, please be on the look out for the invasive species identified in the enclosure. Spring is THE BEST time to get a handle on these difficult species. For more information, go to <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/invasives/>.



## Recycling News

Last year, the Town of Rockland collected 182.77 tons of recycling material. This is an increase of 24 tons from the previous year. Great job everyone for doing an outstanding job of recycling. Last year we received a grant of \$2405.66 to help with the recycling costs. We will apply for this grant again in 2018.

### The five top questions asked in regards to recycling:

**What do I do with plastic bags?** Do not put your bags in with your curbside recycling. However, plastic bags can be recycled at local grocery or retail stores.

**What plastics can I recycle?** All plastic bottles, cups, and containers, soda, water, and other drink bottles, food & household bottles, jars, jugs, dairy containers & lids, produce, bakery & deli containers. Empty & rinse all bottles and containers.

**How clean is clean?** A quick rinse of your bottles and containers is normally sufficient. For stubborn foods like peanut butter jars, fill the jar with hot soapy water and give it a shake. Let the jar soak overnight. Next day empty and recycle.

**What do I do with shredded paper?** Put shredded paper into a **paper bag**, staple it closed, and label the bag shredded paper and put in your curbside container. This keeps small pieces of paper from blowing around the neighborhood, during transportation, and at the recycling center. Do not use plastic bags for shredded paper.

**Can I recycle Styrofoam?** No Styrofoam cannot be recycled at this time.

**Remember the Electronics Recycling Day at the Rockland Town Hall is on April 28<sup>th</sup> from 8 – noon.** Please see the insert for items that may be brought to the electronics recycling day. This is open to anyone. You do not need to live in the Town of Rockland to bring items. So if you have a business, a friend, a co-worker, or if your school needs items recycled, bring them on April 28<sup>th</sup>. We will have 4-H youth and adults to help unload your items. 4-H will also have a bake sale and a carry-out booyah on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

## ADDRESS CHANGES



We would like all of our residents to receive a copy of our newsletter, either electronically or by mail. If you know of a resident who is not receiving one, or know of someone who just recently moved, please contact Clerk Julie Koenig to notify her of the change via e-mail at [jkoenig@townofrockland.org](mailto:jkoenig@townofrockland.org) or phone (920) 336-2814. Thank you!

Hi Neighbors,

Rockland has come through the winter in very good financial shape. The costs have been kept down as a result of not a lot of snow or ice. At the last meeting, we audited the books and again the Clerk and Treasurer have worked together to balance the checkbook. They did a good job.

As of my last writing, Rockland lost some life long residents and their spouses . On December 27, 2017 Donald Norton passed away at the age of 90. Twenty-six days later his wonderful wife of 55 years, Norma, passed away. Together they raised 9 children on the same farm his father started well over 100 years ago. He was a great friend and neighbor. Don was one of the founding members of Rockland's Zoning and Planning Board, and helped to lay the ground work to keep Rockland rural. Many of their children still live here and son Sean will continue to farm .

On January 4th 2018, another lifelong friend and neighbor passed away. Louis Janssen was 95 years old. Just 9 days earlier, his wife of 65 years preceded him. Ester and Louis raised 7 children on their farm located on Eiler Road, where several children now reside. Louis also served 10 years on our Rockland Board as Supervisor. It was a pleasure to know and work with these neighbors over the years. The moral of this story is " For a long happy life, just live in Rockland."

Warmest Regards, *Alan*

In office absentee voting begins the week of March 19th and extends through Thursday, March 29th. Hours are 9:30-1:30 during Clerk hours (M, T, R) with evening absentee voting being offered on Monday, March 19, 4:30-7:00 and on Thursday, March 29th 4:30-7:00.



## ROCKLAND 4-H NEWS

We have been busy with numerous projects the past several months. A good way to cure cabin fever was participating in the Brown County 4-H Creative Arts Festival. We had a novelty group that performed “America” in which they sang patriotic songs. They took home first place! Several members also participated individually by playing piano, singing solos, skit acting, poetry reading, storytelling and demonstration in which placings and awards, including best performance, were given to our club.

Spring is right around the corner, we hope. That also means spring cleaning time. The club will be hosting an Electronic Recycling Event on April 28<sup>th</sup> at the Rockland Town Hall. It will begin at 8:00am and go until 12:00 noon. Anyone is welcome to bring items. Please tell your friends and neighbors. Club members will be there to help unload your recycling items. There will also be carry out booyah and a bake sale. All proceeds will benefit the Rockland 4-H Club. We hope to see you there!

Our club will be participating in the Brown County 4-H 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament and Bean Bag Toss Tournament. It will be held on April 14<sup>th</sup> at the Wrightstown High School. The club is also planning on preparing a meal for the Freedom House in May.

In addition to all these events, members have begun working on their projects to take to the Brown County Fair in August. Mrs. Kamps and Mrs. Ewald have already had clothing meetings and Mrs. Simoens will be starting ceramic meetings soon. Several of the members have been practicing shooting air rifle and archery with the Shooting Sports program.



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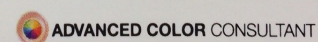
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### Reminder to Residents from the Zoning Administrator

Prior to considering any re-zones, contact the Zoning Administrator. Your surveyor may not always know all of our regulations.

When considering any changes to your property, including remodeling, new construction, driveways, etc. contact the Zoning Administrator first to find out the requirements of the Rockland Zoning Ordinance. You can also find the ordinance online at [www. Townofrockland.org](http://www.Townofrockland.org), click on the Ordinances tab. It takes a few minutes to load, so be patient.

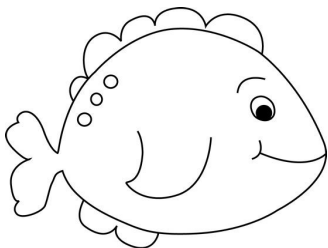
If zoning changes or conditional use permits are required, the information must be delivered to the Zoning Administrator by the 15th of month 1 to be placed on the Plan Commission agenda of month 2. Final approval comes from the Town Board at its meeting in month 3.  
**PLAN AHEAD.**

**Hello Rockland Residents,**

**Winter is over and before you know it we will be cutting lawn and doing yard work. The extra daylight each night gives us time to be outdoors enjoying the beauty of Wisconsin. Take some time to stop and say hi to your neighbors and get to know the people you live near. That is one of the things that brings us together as a town. We have a special community here in Rockland and we should not take it for granted.**

**The City of De Pere continues its steady march towards us and that will change the peace and quiet we all enjoy. We can hope that developers set their sights elsewhere; we don't need the issues that come with a city.**

**The world around us seems to get crazier every day and sometimes it makes no sense. Some of the recent tragedies seem so unbelievable in this day and age. I know it's on the news all the time, but if you "see something or know of something" then "say something". It may be hard to do, but it could make a huge difference in someone's life. I hope that with communication and involvement we will never have to deal with things like that.**



**On a more positive note, the free fishing weekend is June 2nd and 3rd. It would be a good time to take a kid fishing. Some of the state parks even have equipment that can be borrowed, just call ahead to get the details. I hope you all enjoy the spring.**

**Matt Meeuwsen**

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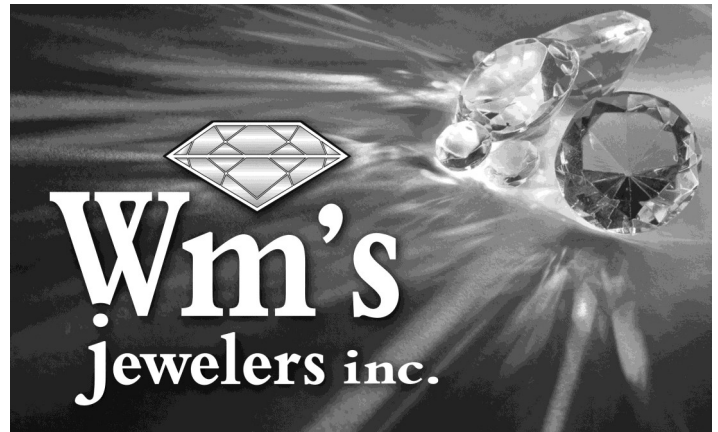
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