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Quarterly Newsletter

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A Note from the Chairman:

If you are planning to start any type of project on your property, please take the time to see if you need some type of building permit from the Town before you start. Please call our Zoning Administrator or log onto the town's website for information on building permits.

As always, later this fall we will be cutting grass on town road ditches to the backside of the ditch. This process removes all vegetation, keeps ditches clean for water flow and also helps wildlife sightings at night.

This is a busy time of year for farmers. They are harvesting their corn fields, hauling manure and tilling their fields. So please be patient and drive safely around farm equipment.

The Town of Rockland is a great place to live and raise a family. It doesn't matter if you were born & raised here or just moved into the township. Living in the country is enjoying the peace and quiet, enjoying your property/home no matter how big or small it is, or if it's in a subdivision or on a farm. Respect your neighbors the way you want to be respected. A friendly hello or wave makes for good neighbors.

Enjoy the fall weather and colors and hope to see you at the next Town Board meeting.

Thank you,

Dennis J. Cashman

**Special Meeting of the
Electorate, to set the
2018 Rockland Budget
Rockland Town Hall,
Wednesday, November 15th
7:30 pm.**



Hi Friends,

Rockland continues to be a great place to live. The flooding in Texas and Louisiana, over 2 dozen terrible fires in California and Oregon and as I write this letter another huge hurricane is headed towards Florida. My brother in Arizona tells me it has been over 100 degrees pretty much all summer long. You gotta love Wisconsin!

Meanwhile, Rockland has just about finished up our road work for the year. Overall, they are holding up well even with the heavy trucks hauling manure. Scott Construction Company did the resurfacing work (chip sealing); with the exception of some excess loose gravel they did a good job. If you have any questions or concerns, just give one of us on the Board a call.

In October, we will be putting together the budget for next year. Unlike the state or some cities, I don't foresee any new taxes. Wisconsin is 2 months late adopting their budget with the big fight over road funding. Raising gas tax or toll roads was an option. Green Bay was looking at a wheel tax assessed at vehicle registration. In my opinion, they really need to look at how the money is spent. A recent audit of DOT shows there is room and need for better oversight especially on cost overruns on most projects. Spending other people's money seems to be easy. Again, any questions or concerns, give us a call.

Lastly, the city of De Pere continues to ignore Rockland's plea to work together. They are black topping Old Plank Road near our border, and a Rockland resident asked that a culvert be replaced and moved a few feet north before the work is done. Not only did they say NO, but also said they didn't want Rockland's water. They are simply not good neighbors. That's it for now.

Warmest Regards,

Alan



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Bi-fold doors (2 sets)

Interior Window

4' folding table (wooden top)

Blinds for the interior window

4 drawer file cabinet

Antique desk

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 or phone (920) 336-2814. Thank you!



Rockland Meeting Nights

The Town Board meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, except when it falls on a holiday. Meetings are at 7:30 pm. The public is welcome to attend.

The Planning Commission meets typically on the 1st Thursday of each month, though they can meet more frequently depending on what is happening.

Public Hearings are set by the Town Board and are posted on the website, on the Town Hall door, in the message boards, by USPS to neighboring properties and in the newspaper.

The Board of Appeals meets when necessary.

The calendar can be found on the calendar tab of our website www.townofrockland.org

All notices are posted at www.townofrockland.org and at the Rockland Town Hall. As a courtesy, many notices are posted at these additional locations: Just Stop In, Scray Cheese. Formal Class 2 notices are also printed in the Green Bay Press Gazette.



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NEWS from Treasurer Mary Van Dyck

Recycling News

Did you know that you can recycle milk cartons, juice cartons, sour cream containers cottage cheese containers, yogurt containers, and produce and deli containers? Yes these can all be put in the recycling bin.

What do I do with plastic bags? Plastic bags are recyclable but NOT through curbside program. Bring your plastic bags to a local retail or grocery store to be recycled.

Should I remove bottle caps? YES remove the bottle caps is a good recycling habit. When caps are left on the liquids stay in the bottle which makes it difficult for the machinery to properly sort the plastic. Also the small size of the caps end up in our glass collection system which makes our glass less valuable to a buyer.

What do I do with shredded paper? Put the shredded paper in a paper bag, staple it closed, label the bag and put in your curbside container.

What do I do with Styrofoam? Recycling does not accept Styrofoam as very few markets are available. So Styrofoam must go in the garbage.

Televisions, computers, DVD/VCR players, fax machines, mice, speakers, flash drives, hard drives, and cell phones are banned from landfill disposal. Cyber works accepts these items. They are located at 844 Willard Drive in Green Bay. Also in April the Town of Rockland will hold another electronics recycling day.

At the Tri-County Recycling Facility, over 1000,000 tons of recyclables are processed each year utilizing staff from a two-shift operation. The recyclables are separated by hand and compressed into storage bales for easy shipping. They are marketed and sold to companies to be re-manufactured into a wide array of new products.

Keep up recycling in the Town of Rockland. The Town is doing a good job. We are meeting the State mandated weight each year.

This helps us get a grant each year. The grant money is used to help pay the cost of pick up of recyclables in the Town of Rockland.



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Hello Rockland Residents,

Summer is coming to end and it won't be long before the beautiful fall colors are here. Along with that comes kids going back to school, school busses, and parents running to keep up. I want to remind everyone to keep an eye out for safety. Safety is something that should be on our minds all of the time. There have been great improvements in safety equipment over the last few years, with high visibility clothes, hundreds of styles of glasses, cold weather gear, the list goes on. Using simple safety gear, like ear plugs and glasses, while cutting the lawn can prevent a serious injury. Take some time when you are doing activities like lawn cutting or using power tools to teach your kids the value of safety equipment, and set an example for them to follow. When it becomes second nature to wear the right equipment, we have taught our kids a lesson that will protect them for a lifetime. Also, the farmers will be harvesting soon so give them a break and a friendly wave; think about all they do for us. I hope everyone has the time to enjoy the fall weather.

Matt Meeuwsen



2018 ELECTION SCHEDULE

February 20, 2018 Spring Primary

April 3, 2018, Spring Election

August 14, 2018, Partisan Primary

November 6, 2018, Fall General Election

Rockland 4H Club

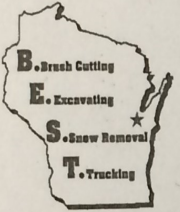


A ribbon received at the Brown County Fair - regardless of color - is a great accomplishment. It can represent a year's worth of work - raising chickens and rabbits, months of work - ceramics, flowers, knitting and days before judging at the fair - Baking and mounting photo's.

We had merit and state fair awards in: Ceramics (Travis Buckard, Josh Hodgdon), Baking (Paris Riggle, Katelyn Simoens), Photography (Katelyn Simoens, Leah Kocken) Master Gardener (Candra Carter) I Dare You Award (Olivia Kamps) Grand Champion Rabbit (Olivia Kamps), Drawing (Kaylee DeBuekelar), Herdsmanship Award for Poultry and championship awards in Poultry. As a club group, we submitted a scrapbook, large flower planter, a booth display and a Fair Promotional Billboard by the Swan Club.

Even with all our activities on our projects, we didn't forget our community service events. We supported St Vincent's Hospital Children's floor with fleece blankets, stuffed animals and ceramic items to paint. We donated school supplies, laundry soap and personal care items to the DePere High School Redbird Closet. In June, we took a bus trip to a Brewer Game in Milwaukee, we celebrated June Dairy Month with an ice cream and Root Beer float social, and followed that up in July with Ice Cream Month. We also assisted in building youth climbing course items for a Cancer fund raiser in Appleton. In late August, the club worked with the County 4-H at the Fleet Farm Brat Tent at the Packer Stadium parking lot. Now, we start planning and enrolling in the 2018 4-H year - go to the Brown County 4-H web site. Goals this year, include expanding our Community Service program and our project listings. If anyone has ideas for our club in regards to support for events, new projects, new experiences for our members - we welcome your input and support.

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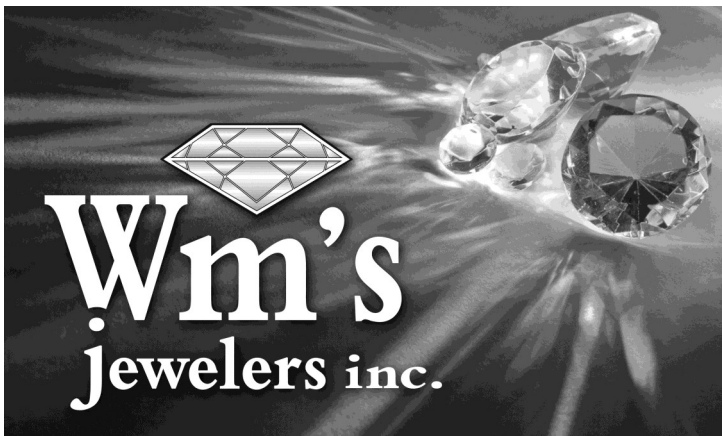
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