TOWN OF ROCKLAND

Quarterly Newsletter

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A Note from the Chairman:

The spring seasonal weight limits on all our town roads will go into effect on March 15th. The seasonal weight limits will be enforced until late April. The purpose of the reduced weight limits is to help prevent breakup of our roads while the frost is coming out of the roadbed.

The 16th Annual Town of Rockland Clean Up Day will be Saturday, April 22nd. Please clean up any litter in ditches along your property and road ditches you live near. Thank you for your help in keeping Rockland a beautiful place to live!

Our Clerk, Jann Charette, will be leaving in April. She has accepted a full-time job with the Wisconsin Town's Association. Jann was appointed four years ago as our Clerk and has been an asset to our Town Board. Jann takes her job very seriously and does an excellent job at it. It has been a pleasure working with Jann and we wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

At our March 6th Town Board meeting, we appointed Julie Koenig as our Town Clerk effective April 18th. Julie was appointed as a Deputy Clerk and started immediately working with Jann. They will work together until Jann's departure on April 18th. Welcome to the Town Board Julie! I look forward to working with you.

Our next Town Board meeting is on Monday, April 3rd. Our Annual Town Meeting is on Tuesday, April 18th at

7:00 p.m. at the town hall. Hope to see you there-

Thank you,

Dennis J. Cashman



Hello Rockland residents,

This is my last newsletter as your town board supervisor. I have enjoyed working with you and for you these many years.

Rockland is represented by town government—government at its best-and no town exemplifies it better than Rockland. Rockland's advantages are the Town Board, Planning Commission, Variance Board, Zoning Administrator, and all the other individuals and companies that work with Rockland to make it better.

Rockland's greatest challenge is to ensure its existence as a town. We choose to live here because we want "country living"—space, quiet, and beauty. We want room to enjoy our hobbies, animals, landscape, wildlife, and our family life. The city of De Pere and its view that Rockland is their land bank challenges our way of life. For Rockland's continued existence, we need to meet the challenge of offering opportunities for land development within our borders while maintaining the "country-esque" appeal of Rockland.

I have worked with many people to make Rockland stronger, including:

Past Town Board members: Toni Carter, Glen Schwalbach, and Alice Daul

Planning Commission members: Bob Coenen, Lee Anderson, Terry Vertz, Mike Weier, Bob Gerbers, and past members Randy Hansen and Sue Zeamer.

Current Town Board members: Mary Van Dyck, Jann Charette, and Alan Lasee.

During my terms, I have met many town chairmen and they do good work for their towns, but we in Rockland have the best in Dennis Cashman. This man works many hours for Rockland and works in our best interest. Dennis does what is right for Rockland, what makes sense, and what is right for the taxpayers' money. He is the best chairman and with the support from the above individuals, we have made a difference.

Thank you, Dennis, and all of you for your support and guidance throughout my terms. It has been a pleasure to work with you.

Rockland is a special place and I have confidence in its future board—Dennis Cashman, Chairman; Alan Lasee, Supervisor; Mary Van Dyck, Treasurer; and new members Julie Koenig, Clerk; and Matt Meeuwsen, candidate-elect.

And finally, thank you Rockland residents and my husband, Rick for your support. Wishing you all the best.

Vicky Van Vonderen, retiring Town Supervisor

PS. Jann Charette, our current town clerk has joined the Wisconsin Town's Association (WTA) and will no longer be our clerk after April 18th. In her new role with the WTA, she will work with town clerks, treasurers and boards statewide. We are very lucky to have Jann continue to work with town government; however, she will no longer work for Rockland. Jann, it has been a joy to work with you and I want to thank you for all the work you did to improve the clerical operations and the communication between our residents and town board. I wish you much success in your new role with the WTA.

OPEN BOOK/BOARD OF REVIEW:

The Open Book review will take place from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, April 17, 2017, at the Rockland Town Hall. You can meet with Bob Taicher, our Assessor, (Phone #863-6454) during this time to discuss your property's assessed value. The Board of Review (BOR) will meet on Tuesday, May 09, 2017, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Town Hall to review the Town's assessment records and to hear any objections/appeals made by property owners. Pertinent forms and guidance documents for the BOR can be found on our website. Click on Committees, then on Board of Review.

A Note From Supervisor Alan Lasee....

Hi Folks,

Well, spring weather is just ahead; and with the exception of a storm, our winter snow plowing budget is in pretty good shape. In April, Rockland will have some new faces on the board. Our town clerk has taken a job with the Town's Association, so we had to find a replacement. We had several very good candidates to choose from and it was a difficult decision. The person we picked, had a little more experience with town government and the job requirements. Thanks to all who applied. Also noteworthy, Supervisor Vicky Van Vonderen is leaving the board, and not seeking re-election. I want to thank her for her years of service; she will be missed. Other news, at last year's annual meeting it was decided to repaint the inside of our town hall and replace the window blinds. The painting has been done so the windows are next. The building is 16 years old so it is time for some upkeep and a new look. Many residents continue to rent the building for different events. You can do so by calling the Town Clerk for more information. That's it for now. Feel free to call any one of us if you have questions or need assistance. Warmest Regards, Alan

News from Treasurer Mary Van Dyck.....

I want to inform all residents about 3 important things happening in Rockland.

First, it is time to do your spring house cleaning. So to help you get rid of all those unwanted items, there will be a Electronics Recycling day at the Rockland Town Hall on April 29th from 8 a.m. to noon. Please see the insert for all items that may be brought to the electronics recycling day. I always say anything that you can plug in can be brought to this event. The recycling day is open to anyone. You do not need to live in the Town of Rockland to bring items. So if you have a friend, a co-worker, or if your school or business has items that need to be recycled, bring them on April 29th. There will be 4-H youth and adults that will help unload your items.

4-H will also have a BAKE SALE and carry out BOOYAH on Electronics Recycling Day. The 4-H youth will be using the proceeds to fund their educational trips that they will be going on this summer. Come and support a very good cause and bring your broken and unwanted items to the recycling day on April 29th.

My second important thing to report is on recycling. The Town of Rockland in 2016 collected 156.51 tons of recycled material. Let's see if we can get to 158 ton in 2017. Each year the Town does apply for a grant to help keep costs down for recycling. In order to get this grant, the Town needs to collect a standard per capita for each resident. So far the Town has met this per capita.

The third very important item is that DOG LICENSES are due by April 1st. All dogs must be licensed. This is a state law and there are no exceptions. The fee for 2017 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, 2017. Any dog license received after April 1, 2017 will be charged a late fee of \$5.00. Enclose a copy of the rabies shot history for each dog. This will be kept on file with the Town. Please make checks payable to the Town of Rockland.

Remember that your pet's license is entered into a county-wide system that can be used to locate your pet should it stray from home. Please put the tag on your pet's collar.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING: TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE ROCK-LAND TOWN HALL. THIS IS A MEETING OF THE TOWN ELECTORS. PLEASE AT-TEND IF YOU ARE ABLE.

Dog License for 2017

All dogs must be licensed. This is a State Law and 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.

Town of Rockland.			
Name of dog	Phone Number		
Name of dog owner			
Address			
Breed	Color	_ Chip no. if available	
	Neutered		7
Spayed			
Date of Rabies shot Date	Expiration		
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ROCKLAND 4-H NEWS

As we write this, Spring is in the air as we have started to look through our 4-H garden seed listings for new varieties of seeds and plants for our selection of vegetables and flowers for this years Brown County's fair. We'll probably get a blizzard next week!! So to play it safe - we have been working on Community Service programs. In February we prepared a meal and served it at the NEW Community Service shelter in West Green Bay. The members and parents prepared sloppy joes, hash browns, baked beans, fruit and made sheet cakes for strawberry shortcake. In addition, through a gift of money from the Dorothy Wozniak Foundation and money from our Food Stands - we have chosen two other areas - where we can make a difference. We have been working with St. Vincent's Hospital Children's area. We have committed to 10 Fleece Tie blankets, ceramic items cleaned and fired for



the patients to paint, and stuffed animals. Upon registration at the hospital, children/patients receive a blanket and a stuffed animal. We have delivered 5 blankets and 12 stuffed teddy bears - with more to come. Our other area to support is the DePere Bird Nest. This is a "closet" of items (new-slightly used) for special families in the DePere school district. We'll be shopping and donating laundry detergent, school supplies, socks, and other basic needs for classmates and families. Students from East DePere made a slide presentation at the February monthly meeting on their needs. March 11th was the basketball tournament at Wrightstown High

School - I'm sure all that participated (playing, food stand, bake sale, silent auction)- had a great experience.

<u>SPRING ELECTION</u>: We are only a few short weeks away from the Spring General Election which takes place on Tuesday, April 4, 2017. The polls will be open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. To view the respective races, please see the sample ballots in the insert. Additionally, absentee voting in the Clerk's office will occur as follows: Monday, March 20th– Thursday, March 23rd: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Monday, March 20th: 6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.; Monday, March 27-Thursday, March 30th: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Friday, March 31st: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

COST RECOVERY ORDINANCE

Uncommon, unusual events and catastrophic incidents have costs associated with them which can create a financial burden to the fire department and/or township because they are outside of the general, fixed and/or budgeted costs. Fire departments equip themselves with the tools they are likely to use. However, on occasion, specialized equipment such an excavator, for example, needs to be called in. In other situations, large amounts of foam, fuel and water are used which far exceeds what is considered normal. Financially speaking, the fire department/township cannot burden these expenses or own this type of equipment due to the costs involved and the few times it would be needed. To that end, the fire department either hires, borrows, rents or commandeers what is needed. Now comes the question; who pays? By state statute, the Fire Chief has limited Police Power and has the authority to call in any needful assistance. Since the Fire Chief is sworn as such by each township, he/she acts on behalf of the municipality.

These types of expenditures do not occur very often but when they do, a mechanism (ordinance) must be in place so fire departments and/or the residents of a township are not left paying the bill. Since fire departments are non-taxing entities, the collection of these costs rests with the town who then passes them onto the property owner or responsible party. As stated in the Wisconsin Fire Service Guidebook, insurance companies are reluctant to pay for expenses if an ordinance is not in place.

Most insurance policies contain a provision for this type of expense. These extraordinary expenditures only occur during an unusual event and we want you to be aware of this ahead of time. We ask that you check with your insurance provider to be sure you have such coverage and are comfortable with the limits. Keep in mind that there is never a charge from the fire department for our services and that these types of expenses rarely occur.

In closing, we would like to thank everyone for their support and remind you to mark your calendars for our annual fund raiser which will be held on Sunday, July 16 at our Fireman's Park located on STH 32-57 just north of Greenleaf from 11 AM to 7 PM.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to email us at: <u>greenleaffire@new.rr.com</u> or come see us at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 18th. We will be providing a presentation that night on fire safety.

A final note from your Clerk....

As Alan and Dennis mentioned, the Board hired Julie Koenig as your new Clerk. I have had the pleasure to work with and get to know Julie this past week and I can assure you, the Town will not skip a beat when I leave. Julie comes to you with many years of experience as a professional. Much like myself, she has chosen with her husband Bart, to set that profession aside so that she can raise their three children. While motherhood is keeping her busy, she has still found the time to work part-time for the United Way, coordinate her daughter's booster club stand, and serve as a Chief Inspector at elections in the Town of Glenmore where she resides. Julie is incredibly bright, a keen listener, and a quick learner who is not afraid to pitch in and get her hands dirty. I truly believe that Julie will be an incredible asset to the Town and can't wait to see the positive impact she will make on it. Please be sure to welcome Julie at the next election on Tuesday, April 4th or at our Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 18th.

I had a chance to thank many people in my winter article. But I do want to especially thank Dennis, Vicky, and Glen for hiring me just four short years ago and being incredibly supportive and encouraging during my tenure here. You have been a wonderful example of what it means to work together in a professional and respective manner and I truly have appreciated you!

You know I grew up in the 70's enjoying and laughing through many episodes of the Carol Burnett show. In my teen years, I got to play Carol's elderly character feeding the pigeons in the park in a one person skit. And so it is not uncanny that as I close this article that her closing song "I Am So Glad" fondly comes to mind. (I hope you don't mind the minor revision I made to this song)

"I am so glad we had this time together. Just to have a laugh or share some time. Seems we just get started and before you know it, comes the time we have to say so long." So long for now......take care!

19th Annual Rockland Rummage Sale

The last Saturday in April is the date of the 19th Annual Rockland Rummage Sale. The sale will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Town of Rockland. I am asking \$5.00 per household that would like to participate. The fee will cover ads in the various papers and maps, listing the garage sale locations and the items that people have for sale.

You will be responsible for putting up your own signs off of Hwy 57, PP, ZZ, W and wherever else you'd like to direct people to your sale. Each person in the Rockland Rummage Sale will get 20 maps to hand out to customers or to post at their sale. Rockland Rummage Sale maps will be dropped off at your home prior to Saturday's sale.

If you would like to participate, please fill out and return this form by Wed., April 19th so I have time to assemble maps. Send the form and the \$5.00 fee to Dorothy Cashman, 3114 County Road ZZ, De Pere, WI 54115. If you have any questions please call 336-7814. Thank you.

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19th Annual Rockland Rummage Sale - Sat., April 29, 2017

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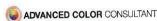


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When & Where

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Proceeds Benefit:



Rockland 4H

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Wire
Cables
Plugs
Speakers

Cables
Plugs
Speakers
Shelves
Appliances
Stoves
Dish Washers
Screen Doors
Farm Equipment
Wash Machines
Dryers
Fax Machines
Lawn Mowers
Equipment
Saw blades

Exercise Equipment
Bikes
Scooters
Staplers
Chairs
Treadmills
Elliptical Machines
Credit Card
Machines
Curling Irons
Pots and Pans
Garbage disposal
Water Heater
Weight Sets
Weight Benches

Hand Tools
Batteries
Coffee Machines
Bed Frames
Screen Doors
Irons
Ironing Board
Tricycle
Faucets
Garbage disposal
Curling Irons
Lamps
Lighting
Drills
Table Saw

Tools
Chain Saw
Snow Blower
Hair Dryer
Car Parts
Kid's toys
Calculators
Flag Poles
Tillers
File cabinets
Power cords
Electric Motors
Metal Roofing
Metal Pipes
Anything Metal

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Projection TV \$40
Refrigerators \$10

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Instructions

If you make a mistake on your ballot or have a question, ask an election inspector for help. (Absentee voters: Contact your municipal clerk.)

To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this:

To vote for a name that is not on the ballot, write the name on the line marked "write-in" and fill in the oval next to the name like this:

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

State Superintendent

Vote for 1

- Tony Evers
- Lowell E. Holtz
- O write-in

Judicial

Justice of the Supreme Court

- Vote for 1
- O Annette Ziegler

Multi-Jurisdictional Judge

Municipal Judge

Vote for 1

- Cletus Hubers
- O write-in

Town Board Chairperson

Vote for 1

- Dennis J. Cashman
- varife-in

Town Board Supervisor

Vote for not more than 2

- Matt Meeuwsen
- Alan Lasee O write-in
- O write-in

Town Treasurer

Vote for 1

- Mary E. Van Dyck

School District

Unified School District of De Pere School Board Member

Vote for not more than 2

- David Youngquist
- Doug Seeman
- O write in
- O write-in

Official Ballot

Nonpartisan Office April 4, 2017 Brown County, WI

Ballot issued by

Initials of election inspectors

Absentee ballot issued by

Initials of municipal clerk or deputy clerk (If issued by SVDs, both SVDs must initial.)

Certification of Voter Assistance

I certify that I marked or read aloud this ballot at the request and direction of a voter who is authorized under Wis. Stat. §6.82 to receive assistance.

Signature of assistor

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Inspectors: Identify ballots required

Reason for remaking ballot:

- u Overvoted
- n Damaged
- и Other

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Town of Rockland W1-3 De Pere School District

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Annette Ziegler

Multi-Jurisdictional Judge

Municipal Judge

Vote for 1

Cletus Hubers

Municipal

Town Board Chairperson

Vote for 1

Dennis J. Cashman

write-in

Town Board Supervisor

Vote for not more than 2

- Matt Meeuwsen Alan Lasee
- o write-in O write-in
- Town Treasurer

Vote for 1

Mary E. Van Dyck

School District Wrightstown Community School

District School Board Member

Vote for not more than 3

- Tom Eggert
- O Tiffany Van Vreede
- Joie Cunningham O Write-in
- Write-in
- O Write-in

Official Ballot Nonpartisan Office April 4, 2017 Brown County, WI

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Ballot issued by

Initials of election inspectors

Absentee ballot issued by

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- u Overvoted
- o Damaged

a Other

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Initials of inspectors who remade ballot

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