

TOWN OF NEW DENMARK NEWSLETTER MARCH 2013

Spring Election is slated for April 2, 2013

New Denmark Municipal Races on the Ballot:

Town Chairman: William Krueger (i)

Francis Rabas

Town Supervisor:

Steven J. Olsen

(Vote for 2)

Matthew Goetsch (i)

Gary T. Moore

Clerk:

Michelle Wallerius (i)

Treasurer:

Dawn Chervenka (i)

Town Assessor:

Gary Taicher (i)

Michael Gaworek

Constable:

VACANT

Also on the Ballot: State Superintendent of Public Education (1), Supreme Court Justice (1), Court of Appeals Judge – District III, Brown County Circuit Judges – Branch 3 & 7, Multi-Jurisdictional Judge, Denmark School Board Members (2) & the Denmark School District Referendum.

Upcoming Meeting/Ev ent Dates	Spring
April 2, 2013	SPRING ELECTION: Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. The Town Hall is located at 5531 W Town Hall Rd
April 2, 2013 @ 5:30 pm	Friends of Neshota Park informational Mtg at Neshota Park Shelter
April 8, 2013 @ 7:00 pm	Town Board Meeting
April 16, 2013 @ 7:00 pm	Annual Town Meeting
April 22, 2013	EARTH DAY – Work together to clean-up the Town roads and ditches.

Reminder for Absentee Voting: Requests for Absentee Ballots must be made in <u>writing</u> and received by the Clerk on or before 5:00 pm on March 27, 2013. If you have a question or concern about voting after this deadline, please contact me at <u>michwallerius@gmail.com</u> or 920.863.5523. An official Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot is available at the Town website <u>www.townofnewdenmark.com</u> (GAB-121) or a handwritten request signed and dated is also acceptable.

Dog Licenses: Pursuant to Wisconsin statutes, all dogs over 5 months of age must be licensed. Licenses can be purchased from the Treasurer, Dawn Chervenka. Applications are available online at the Town website or through the Treasurer. Fees for SPAYED OR NEUTERED DOGS are \$10.00; otherwise the license is \$15.00. You will need to provide the dog's name, sex, breed, whether it is spayed or neutered and the date of last **Rabies Vaccination** when applying for a license. Should you have any questions regarding a license, please contact Dawn at 920-863-6677.

2013 Earth Day - Highlights

Electronic Equipment can be recycled at:

Best Buy at 825 Pilgrim Way; Lamp Recyclers, Inc. located at 3055 Holmgren Way; Milwaukee, PC located at 1683 E. Mason Street; & Brown Cty HHW Facility located at 2561 S. Broadway.

Disposal of Household Hazardous Waste:

The Brown Cty HHW Facility collects & disposes of household cleaning products, paints/stains, expired/unused prescription drugs, chemicals, solvents, batteries, fluorescent lights, propane tanks & pesticides that cannot be disposed of through a landfill. There is no fee associated with the disposal of these products. For more information, please contact the Center at 920-492-4950.

Hours of Operation:

Thursdays: Noon – 6 pm & Saturdays: 8 am – 2 pm

Garbage/Recycling Reminders:

Veolia has now merged with Advanced Disposal & a new 5 yr contact will be approved in the up coming months. Residents are advised PAPER & CO-

MINGLE recycling products
can be placed <u>TOGETHER</u> in the
same bin & placed curbside
<u>WEEKLY</u>. Single stream
recycling has been implemented
by Advanced & residents are

encouraged to be conscientious of recycling as the Town will receive revenue from our recycled products.

Schedules are available online at the Town website:

www.townofnewdenmark.com.



Now forming... Friends of Neshota Park

Are you aware there are 260 acres of woodland wonders waiting to be explored right in your backyard?

We need your help!

We are looking for people in the community to step to the plate and become involved. Neshota Park is a beautiful area but needs some updates and improvements. We need your input!

Some of the items being considered are:

- · The addition of safe playground equipment
- Adding trails and expanding use for snowshoers, bikers, etc.
- Updating the shelter

This is an informational meeting and we would like to hear from you.

Tuesday, April 2nd at 5:30 p.m. @ the Neshota Park Shelter

(Take County T North out of Denmark approximately 3 miles. Go right onto Park Road. You will see the park ½ mile on your left)

Reminder: A <u>Building Informational Permit</u> must be furnished to the Zoning Administrator & approved by the Town Board prior to the start of any construction project over \$500 & before a formal Building Permit can be issued. This form can be found online at the Town website.

Road Projects for 2013: With Spring upon us, the Board will be conducting their annual road tour in early May. If you have a concern about a Town road, please contact one of the Board members with the road name and your concern so the road can be inspected.

Annual Town Meeting: The Annual town meeting will be held on April 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting allows the residents an opportunity to conduct official town business and voice their concerns on issues facing the Town. The 2012 Annual Financial Report will be available for review as of April 2, 2013 and can be viewed online at the Town website www.townofnewdenmark.com.

INFORMATION ABOUT SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

Single stream, or fully commingled recycling is a system in which all paper fibers and containers are collected in the same bin instead of being sorted into separate commodities in separate bins such as newspaper, cardboard, plastic, glass, etc. Single stream recycling typically collects greater variety of materials than source separated or dual-stream recycling (paper in one bin; glass, plastic, and cans in another).

What are the motivating factors to switch to single stream?

The major reasons for switching to single stream recycling are cutting costs for the local governmental service provision and increasing recycling rates. Motivating factors include:

- Simplified recycling as all recyclable materials are collected in one container, making
 collection easy and convenient for participants. This typically increases the number of
 participants, tonnage collected, and material diverted from landfills.
- Increased cleanliness as there is a decrease of loose material blowing through ditches & roadways. Residents may use a personal garbage cart/can or bin for their recycling products. You are not limited to the 18 gallon tote which was originally provided by Veolia.
- Single stream recycling updates the collection and processing system by adding more paper grades such as junk mail, telephone books and mixed residential paper; a good opportunity considering 35% of all municipal solid waste is paper.

Over the past 2 years, the Town has seen a <u>decrease</u> in the recycling tonnage on our Annual Reports. Effective July 31, 2013 – Advanced Disposal will reimburse the Town for our recycled products, so residents are encouraged to think about recycling before throwing it in the trash. Future revenues may help offset annual garbage/recycling fees.

In Summary: Single stream recycling is gaining in popularity and many residents ultimately prefer it because of the convenience of not having to sort materials and placing all recycling products curbside weekly vs. alternating paper and co-mingle products every other week.

Friendly reminder regarding outdoor burning & use of outdoor wood burners . .

Dear Town Residents,

The Town board has received some concerns from members of the community regarding the burning of refuse and other materials. Town ordinance Chapter 33 addresses the burning of materials outdoors. Code section 33.06 addresses materials that <u>may not</u> be burned outdoors including but not limited to, rubbish or garbage including food wastes, food wraps, packaging, animal carcasses, paint or painted materials, furniture composite shingles, construction or demolition debris or other household or business wastes. The purpose of the ordinance is, "intended to promote public health, safety and welfare and to safeguard the health, comfort, living conditions, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of New Denmark." It is the responsibility of the Town Board to advise the members of the community regarding the requirements of the ordinance and to enforce the ordinances of the community.

The Town Board requests members of the community respect the rights of all to clean unpolluted air in The Town of New Denmark and comply with the tenants of Chapter 33.

Respectfully - the Town Board of New Denmark

Wisconsin Recycles



The following items are banned from landfills and incinerators statewide and should be reused, recycled or composted.

Containers

- #1 and #2 plastic bottles and jars
- Aluminum containers
- Bi-metal cans
- Glass containers
- Steel (tin) cans

Paper and Cardboard

- Corrugated cardboard
- Magazines, catalogs, and other materials on similar paper
- Newspaper and newsprint materials
- Office paper

Yard Materials

- Grass clippings
- Debris and brush under 6" in diameter
- Leaves

Vehicle Items

- Lead-acid vehicle batteries
- Tires *
- Used oil filters
- Waste oils *

Appliances

- Air conditioners
- Boilers
- Clothes dryers
- Clothes washers
- Dehumidifiers
- Dishwashers
- Freezers
- Furnaces
- Microwaves
- Ovens
- Refrigerators
- Stoves
- Water heaters

Electronics

- Cell phones
- Computers desktop, laptop, netbook, tablet
- Computer monitors
- Computer keyboards and mice
- Computer scanners
- Computer speakers
- Desktop printers (including those that fax and scan)
- DVD players, VCRs, DVRs and all other video players
- External hard drives
- Fax machines
- Flash drives/USBs
- Other items that plug into a computer
- Televisions

Why ban items from the landfill and incinerator?

The items on this list are made of materials that can be reused in new products. Some also have toxic components that we do not want in our groundwater, air or soil. Recycling and composting allow landfills to last longer, provide markets with valuable reusable materials, create jobs, and prevent pollution.

Why not ban more materials?

Corrugated cardboard is banned while waxed cardboard is not. Some things with plugs, like computers, are banned, while others, like toasters, are not. Why? Current bans cover some of the most easily reusable or most toxic materials on the market today. Eventually more items may be added to this list as new recycling markets develop or the types of materials we throw away change.

Some communities go above and beyond what is required by state law. Check with your local government or recycling service provider to find out what additional materials are accepted for recycling in your area. For more information about Wisconsin's recycling program, search "recycle" at dnr.wi.gov. Wisconsin's recycling requirements apply to everyone in the state at all residences and places of work or play.



Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Bureau of Waste and Materials Management

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^{*}These items may be burned in a solid waste treatment facility with energy recovery.

FIVE THINGS you didn't know you could recycle

Have you ever looked at an item in your home and thought, "I wonder if I can recycle that?" Chances are good that you can! Try doing a Google search for whatever you're looking to get out of the house, and you may find a program like the ones below that will keep it out of the landfill. If these five items are in your "get rid of" pile, here's how you can recycle them!

1. Sneakers

Nike's Reuse-a-shoe program turns any brand of old athletic shoes into playground and athletic surfaces, such as basketball courts and running tracks. Go to nikereuseashoe.com to find drop-off locations in Wisconsin or learn about hosting a shoe drive.

2. Crayons

Imagine how many homes across Wisconsin have broken, stubby crayons in abandoned boxes. Give them another life through the National Crayon Recycle Program! Crayons are melted down and turned into new crayons of various shapes. Visit crazycrayons.com to learn more.

3. Trophies

Total Awards and Promotions in Madison is one of many companies that will recycle old trophies for parts or re-engrave and donate them to nonprofits. They're not accepting trophies currently, but check back at awardsmall.com to find out when you can send in your old trophies to be reused.

4. Wine corks

Close the loop by sending in your old wine corks to become floor and wall tiles. Yemm and Hart, a company that manufactures materials out of recycled content, creates and sells the tiles. Visit yemmhart.com for more details.

5. Jeans

If you have old jeans
(or any denim) that
are too worn out to
be donated, consider
giving them to the
"Cotton. From Blue to
Green." program to be
turned into natural fiber insulation.
Corporate responsibility, mail-in, and
university drive programs are allavailable.
Go to cottonfrombluetogreen.org
to find out more.

FIVE THINGS

you can do to reduce your waste in 2013

You still have time to think about New Year's resolutions! Consider making a commitment to reduce your waste. Try focusing on just one of the three R's – reducing, reusing, or recycling – and think of a habit you can make (or break) to see it through. Here are some ideas to get you started. Try one, try them all, or think of a waste-reducing resolution of your own!

Go out of your way to recycle at least one item each day. If you're away from home and there's nowhere to recycle your empty plastic bottle (or other recyclable), carry it with you until you have access to recycling.



For one week, focus

on reducing waste in

your buying habits.

Set up a system in your home to make recycling easier, and teach it to everyone in the household. Here are some ideas: put a bin for recycling next to each trash can. Set up a designated place to put items for donation. Keep a large basket in a popular spot where junk mail, magazines, and other mixed paper can all be collected for recycling. Or create a new system that works for you!

Challenge yourself to a zero waste day. In other words, try to go one whole day without throwing anything in the trash. Focus on reducing the waste you create, and reuse, recycle or compost what you want to dispose of. Once you make it through one day, try doing it on a monthly or weekly basis.

Each month, replace one disposable item you use with a reusable version. Here are some ideas to start with: Refillable water bottles, a travel coffee mug (have them fill it when you buy coffee away from home), a stainless steel coffee filter, rechargeable batteries, reusable shopping bags, and refillable ink cartridges. Challenge yourself to replace something new every month.

RE-ELECT GARY TAICHER

ASSESSOR - TOWN OF NEW DENMARK

With over 25 years of experience, I currently assess the Town of New Denmark and the Town of Red River in Kewaunee County. I lived in the Town for most of my life, raised on the home farm on Frontier Road, and now reside on Pine Grove road with my life Luann. My goal is to continue to communicate openly with property owners and treat them with courtesy and fairness.

I am available at 920-863-2913 or e-mail <u>GaryLu@hughes.net</u>. to address any concerns you may have.

It has been a pleasure serving the Town of New Denmark residents and hope to have your continued support.

> Thank You, Gary Taicher

Prepared and paid for by Gary Taicher



I BELIEVE NEW DENMARK DESERVES STRONG LEADERSHIP

I WILL CONTINUE TO LEAD BASED ON THE FOLLOWING BELIEFS:

- UNBIASED REPRESENTATION FOR THE ENTIRE TOWN
- STRONG COMMUNICATION OF TOWN ISSUES
- BE OPEN TO FEEDBACK, INCLUDING CRITICISM
- VISIBLY CONDUCT ALL TOWN BUSINESS
- BACK UP MY DECISIONS WITH SOUND REASONING
- BE PREPARED FOR MEETINGS
- PROTECT OUR RURAL SETTING, BUT BE OPEN TO NEW IDEAS THAT BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY
- SPEND OUR MONEY WISELY

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Paid for by Matt Goetsch

Elect Michael Gaworek Assessor – Town of New Denmark Honest- Experienced- Fiscally Responsible

- Owner, Brown County Appraisal, I have over 17 years assessing and appraising real estate as a full-time career in the public and private sectors.
- Assessor 2 Certification, Dept. of Revenue. Certified Residential Appraiser, Dept of Safety and Professional Practices.
- · Member of Town of New Denmark Planning Commission.
- My wife Sue and I reside at 4808 Denmark Road. We have three children in the Denmark School District.

Technology continues to benefit the assessment process by increasing efficiency and accuracy, while at the same time lowering costs without reducing services. Therefore, if elected, I will propose a 20% decrease in pay for my Town Assessor position. Pay reduction will be refunded monthly to Town until lower pay amount is approved.

Please vote for me for the Town of New Denmark Assessor. Feel free to call me with any questions at 863-5544 or email bcappraisal@centurytel.net

Paid for and prepared by Michael Gaworek

Town Board Actions: The following are **only highlights** of actions and discussions at the monthly Town Board meetings. For detailed Minutes please visit www.townofnewdenmark.com.

December 2012

- *R. Bradley inquires as to removal of properties on Hwy P. Issue with non-payment of property taxes & stay by Circuit Court.
- *Brown Cty Port & Solid Waste to waive penalty fee for nonuse of facilities until July 31, 2013 & to be incorporated into new contract.
- *Info Permit: ND-709-12 for new home construction.
- *Ltr of intent for Annual Review with Schenck for \$3,400.
- *Resolution to support US Customs & Inspection Station at Austin Straubel International Airport approved. MC
- * Final briefs submitted in W. Berger civil litigation matter. Court has 90 days to issue decision.
- *Trees have been trimmed on Jensen Lane. Deer carcasses & tires dumped by Langes Corners Rd and Park Rd bridge.
- *Conditional Use Permit approved for winery at ND-116-2 (5056 Hwy R) for Duck Creek Vineyard & Winery. MC 2-1.
- (5056 Hwy R) for Duck Creek Vineyard & Winery. MC 2-1. *2012 budget adjusted for General Administration due additional expense for recall elections; Safety increased for upgrade to telecommunication equipment; and Legal expense for civil litigation expenses. MC

January 2013

- * R. Stein presents map of Village to inquire if snow plow agreement can be reached for shared roadways.
- * Cooperstown Rd agreement finalized & approved. MC
- *Brown Cty Highway contract for 2013 approved. MC
- *Info Permits:ND-239 for replacement of storage shed (Old Settlers Rd.), ND-60 for new home construction. Discussion of driveway improvements to accommodate emergency vehicles.
- * Poll position for municipal candidates drawn prior to meeting date due to statutory deadlines.
- * Alternative water sources w/in Town discussed. Dept has discussed with K. Peterson. Village will begin billing the Dept for water use & then bill water use to Town.
- *Sup. Goetsch has prepared specs for Garbage/Recycling bid. Clerk to publish and bids to be submitted by March 12, 2013.
- * Atty. Sickel discusses back taxes re: Mishler/Bruflat properties. Inquiry if Cty would remove properties w/ improvement to Cty P.
- * Review of Barta Lane right-of-way and snow removal.
- *Plan Commission Recommendations: Conditional Use Permit approved for ND-146-2 for the operation for sales/service of used vehicles at 5290 Hwy R. Bd approves rezoning of ND-653 (3.5 acre parcel from Ag-1 to Ag-R) on Denmark Rd. Balance of parcel will contain less then 35 acres and not buildable unless rezoned. ND-750 (6309 S Hwy P). Property contains stockyard owned & operated by American Foods and zoning is appropriate of this use.
- * Brown Cty administrating Block Grants for low income families. Funds to be used for upgrades to mound systems, wells, electrical. Applications available through A. Schuette at Brown Cty Planning.

February 2013

- * Discussion of alternative water sources. Fire Dept would like to see 2, if not more within the Town. Grants available to offset dry hydrant cost. Discussion of water options off Shady Acres, Piontek property or Hwy KB area.
- * Sup. Rabas presents proposed roadways to be shared by Town and Village for snow plowing. To be submitted to Village for review and approval.
- * Administrator to follow up on placement of sheds @ Cty Hwy NN & Pine Grove Rd.
- *Assessor Taicher reviewing sales and assessments holding steady. Swamps, wasteland and woods may fall out of compliance within the next 5 yrs & will need review. 2013 Market Drive updates to be uploaded to thumb drive and available for Bd review.
- *Class B Liquor license approved for Duck Creek Vineyard & Winery at 5056 Cty Hwy R. MC
- * Review of posting locations for legal notices: Posting to be made at Town Hall, BMO Harris & Denmark State Bank.
- *Discussion of outdoor wood burners & Town regulation. No formal approval by Bd in past, discussions about review of setbacks & inspection of complaints. Administrator drafts ltr and to be included in March newsletter.
- * CUPs for three businesses approved for Cty Hwy R.
- *Discussion of Veterans War Memorial Shelter House insurance coverage issue with Village.

March 2013

- * Village approved proposed map for snow removal on shared roadways. Atty Sickel to draft contract for Village review/approval.
- *Motion to designate \$20,000 to Cty Bridge Fund. MC
- *Annual Review with Schenck. Town maintains healthy fund balance, with 1.35% growth for 2012
- * Info Building Permits for ND-285.3 for attached garage. ND-490 for detached garage. ND-643 for single family home off R. Kane Lane. ND-487 (6059 Pepper Rd) for single family home. MC
- *Bd of Review set for May 14 6 to 8 pm
- *Review of garbage bids from Advanced Disposal and Harter. Bids very competitive. Advance has edge with cost savings in years 1 & 2. Motion to accept bid from Advanced for 5 year contact. MC
- * Bd reviews Cty request to add curb & gutter to intersection off of Hwy P w/ improvement project. Motion to deny unless rationale can be provided. Rd & stop sign ordered for Hungry Hollow.
- * Review of Barta Lane. Will remain as is, no cost savings to vacate.
- *Discussion of water issue on Langes Corners Rd.
- * Two special exception permits approved for US Cellular for antennas to towers at Wanek and Cty Hwy R. MC
- * Discussion of light pollution ordinance.
- *K. VandenBush presents info on "Friends of Neshota Park". Nonprofit group forming to discuss improvements. Mtg: April 2nd at Shelter House.
- *Resolution to rescind Raze Order for ND-17-1. Hrg 3/22/11. Oral decision from Judge Hammer re: Berger matter April 17, 2013.

Town Board Members

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Building Inspector 468-0487

The Town Board meets at **7 p.m.** on the second Monday of each month. Residents are invited to attend these public meetings and may place an item on the agenda by calling the Town Chairman.

The goal of this newsletter is to promote resident awareness and involvement in town government and community affairs.

If you have any criticisms, comments, requests or suggestions, please contact Michelle Wallerius @ 863-5523 or at michwallerius@gmail.com

Posting of Notices

Notice of hearings and agendas are posted at the Town Hall,
Denmark State Bank and BMO
Harris Bank. Agendas can also be found online at the Town website:
www.townofnewdenmark.com.

The Plan Commission and Variance Committee will meet as zoning issues arise. Notice of hearings will be posted and public hearings regarding these requests will be published in The Denmark News.