

# TOWN OF NEW DENMARK NEWSLETTER

August 2014

# Upcoming Meeting/Event Dates

8/11 Board Meeting, 7 pm

8/12 PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTION
\*Polls Open 7 am - 8 pm

8/19 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm

9/8 Board Meeting, 7 pm

9/16 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm

10/13 Board Meeting, 7 pm

10/21 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm

11/04 FALL ELECTION

\*Polls Open 7 am – 8 pm

11/10 Board Meeting, 7 pm

11/18 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm

# Deadline for Agenda Items

Anyone wishing to place an item on the Town Board Agenda will need to contact Chairman Krueger by the first Monday of the month with that request. Chairman Krueger will make the final determination as to whether a specific item will be placed on the agenda.

# ON THE BALLOT FOR THE PARTISAN OFFICE PRIMARY TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2014

**REPUBLICAN PARTY Selection** 

Governor: Scott Walker

Lt Governor: Rebecca Kleefisch Attorney General: Brad Schimel

Secretary of State: Julian Bradley, Garey Bies

State Treasurer: Matt Adamczyk, Randall Melchert

District 8 – Representative for Congress: Reid Ribble

District 1 – State Senator: Frank Lasee

District 2 – Representative to Assembly: Andre Jacque

Brown County - Sheriff: John Gossage

Clerk of Circuit Courts: Julie Hornburg, Donna Mason

John A. Vander Leest, Tom Smith

County Treasurer: Paul Zeller

**DEMOCRACTIC PARTY Selection** 

Mary Burke, Brett Hulsey John Lehman, Mary Jo Walters

Susan Happ, Ismael Ozanne, Jon Richards

Doug La Follette

Dave Leeper, David Sartori

Ron Gruett Dean DeBroux No Candidate No Candidate

No Candidate Chuck Mahlik

Other Party Selections for Candidates/Write-Ins include the CONSTITUTION PARTY Selection

The August 12<sup>th</sup> Ballot is two-sided. Please turn the ballot over to ensure you have reviewed all the PARTY Selections. You may vote for candidates in **ONE** PARTY SECTION **ONLY** in this election.

**E-Cycle Wisconsin:** All electronic equipment must be recycled. The following centers have been designated by the Wisconsin DNR as official collection sites for televisions, computers, VCRs, cell phones, cameras, MP3 players, printers, stereos, etc. For more information on what falls under this category or information about E-cycle please visit <a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Ecycle/wisconsin.html">http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Ecycle/wisconsin.html</a>

Best Buy located @ 825 Pilgrim Way in Green Bay Brown County HHW Facility located @ 2561 South Broadway in Green Bay

Cyber Works located @ 2022 E. Mason Street in Green Bay / Goodwill Industries (East, West and Ashwaubenon)

Lamp Recyclers, Inc. located @ 3055 Holmgren Way / Milwaukee, PC located at 1683 E. Mason Street

Norsec Computer Recyclers located @ 801 S. Broadway, Green Bay
Universal Recycling Technologies located @ 811 Main Street, De Pere

Vintage Tech Recyclers located @ 2965 Ramada Way, Green Bay.

# Election INFORMATION for 2014

**Voters Must Sign the Poll Book:** All electors are required to sign the poll list before being issued a ballot. Electors who have a disability which prevents them from physically being able to sign the poll list are exempt from this provision.

**Proof of Residency required for all new voters in order to register:** All new voters who are required to register must provide proof of residency when completing their Voter Registration Form. This includes voters with a name change. Acceptable Proof of Residency documents can be found at <a href="http://gab.wi.gov/sites/default/files/publication/154/proof of residence for voter registration 9 12 pdf 17758.pdf">http://gab.wi.gov/sites/default/files/publication/154/proof of residence for voter registration 9 12 pdf 17758.pdf</a>.

# **Voter Registration:**

- The residency requirement to vote is 28 consecutive days.
- An elector can no longer use a corroborating witness.
- Registration ends at 7 pm on the Friday before the Election Day and begins again on Election Day. NO REGISTRATION can occur on the Saturday, Sunday or Monday before the election, or after 7 pm during the week.

### Absentee Ballots:

- All requests for Absentee ballots must be made in WRITING (signed and dated by the elector) and received by the by the Clerk no less then <u>FIVE</u> days before the scheduled election. Deadline for the August 12th Primary is <u>AUGUST 7, 2014</u> & the deadline for the November 4<sup>th</sup> Fall Election is <u>OCTOBER 30, 2014</u>. You must be a REGISTERED VOTER to request an Absentee Ballot.
- Absentee voting begins the <u>third</u> Monday before the election and <u>ends at 7 pm the Friday</u> before the election.
   NO IN-PERSON absentee voting can take place on Saturday, Sunday or Monday before the election.

Please contact Michelle Wallerius, Clerk at 920-863-5523 (or at <u>michwallerius@gmail.com</u>) with any questions or concerns regarding the voting process. The Town website also contains links to the Wisconsin Voter Registration forms and the Wisconsin Absentee Ballot Request form.



# DONNA MASON for Clerk of Circuit Court

I am pleased to be your candidate for the Brown County Clerk of Circuit Courts. On August 12<sup>th</sup>, you will have the opportunity to vote for this office. I encourage you, to make the right decision and **VOTE Mason** for Clerk of

Circuit Courts. I have been serving the people of Brown County in the court system for **36** years, holding various positions all within the Clerk of Courts office. You can trust that I will handle the demands of serving as your next Clerk of Circuit Courts.

Vote experience – August 12<sup>th</sup>, **VOTE Mason**.

Paid for Donna Mason, Michelle Wallerius, Treasurer.

# Notary Public Service Free of Charge:

As a reminder to the residents of New Denmark, I will provide free notary public services at my residence, the Town Hall or if you are restricted to your home, I will come to your residence to notarize documents. Please call (863-5523) or email me if you are in need of this service.

Michelle Wallerius, Clerk

**Town Board Actions:** The following are **only highlights** of actions and discussions at the monthly Town Board meetings. For detailed Minutes, please visit <a href="www.townofnewdenmark.com">www.townofnewdenmark.com</a>.

#### **April 2014**

Resident concern about neighboring property on Schlies Lane. Administrator Witte to investigate and report back to Bd. Resident concern about Frontier Rd and railroad crossing; also dips in Park and Cherney where culverts were replaced. Resident concern about relocating A. Peterson Lane.

- \* Info Building Permit for 5670 Ronk Rd for pole building. MC
- \*Total tax roll approximately 3.6 million, \$800,000 in new property.
- \* Discussion of bridge projects and costs to exceed \$245,000 & \$287,000. Federal funding to be approved; working with Brown Cty.
- \* Clerk to post notice of upcoming re-appointments for Plan Commission and Appeals Committee. Residents interested shall be considered at May Town Bd Mtg.
- \* Annual Review w/ Schenk. Revenues remain consistent. Expenditures down \$50,000 for 2013. Fund balance remains strong at \$401,000 Bd cautioned on assignment of fund balance to off-set expenditures as Act 10 limits raising levy limit for debt purposes. Discussion of combined Clerk/Treasurer; requirement/cost for audit.
- \* 2014-2015 Fire Contract approved \$66,557. MC
- \* Publication of grass cutting of right-of-ways with operator only w/ use of Town tractor and general maintenance.
- \* Washout on R. Kane Lane repaired. Request for ditching on Aspen Court to improve visibility and drainage concern. Town of Cooperstown will be patching potholes when weather improves. Review of Damsel Court chip sealing. Dumping of garbage continues on N. Town Hall Rd and Maribel.
- \* Tour of Town Roads to be conducted by Bd on April 19, 2014. \*Review of revised zoning code. Maximum setback requirement from roadway removed as driveway ordinance is sufficient to address emergency vehicle concerns. Revised coded adopted by Board. Thank you to Plan Commission for their time and effort.

#### **May 2014**

- \*Info Building Permits for ND-342-6 for garage addition. MC; Culvert permit for replacement of existing culvert near 4586 Pine Grove Rd; MC ND-427 for in ground pool. MC; ND-343 for enclosed loading dock; ND-276 for relocation of barn doors. ND-685 for detached garage. ND-182-2 Aspen Court for detached garage. MC
- \* Review of Motions by electors at Annual Town meeting.
- \* Melissa Trepainer, Kathy Janssen and Wm Krueger appt for 1 yr to Plan Commission. MC Alternates shall be Francis Rabas & Derek Rosek
- \* Jolyce Rupp & Ken Kafka (2 yr), Jim Wavrunek (1 yr) appts to Appeals Committee w/Ron Giuliani and Jesse Watzka. alternates.
- \* Order to Raze properties at ND-18-1 and ND-17 Cty Hwy P to be filed with the Court. Contact info to be obtained for clean up of property located at Langes Corners Rd (ND-471).
- \* Grass cutting bids reviewed. Motion to accept bid of \$13 an hr from R. Smurawa with maintenance of Town tractor. MC
- \*Motion to designate \$20,000 to County Bridge Fund for 2015. MC
- \* Road tour: Gravel to be added to Joe's Lane, Sheriffs & VandenLanberg. Road bids to be published for 2014: Wedge/Chip Seal Damsel Court entire road; Aspen Court entire road, Kaminski Lane entire road; E. Cherney from 4987 Cty P; Ditch Frontier Road and culvert replacement at North/Ronk. Resurface .83 miles of Langes Corners from railroad tracks to Cty Hwy R. Shoulder to be added to Rosecrans.
- \* Review of rezoning from D. Wallerius to rezone 15 acres from Ag-1 to Ag-R for the sale of the homestead property. Request denied.
- \* Atty. Sickel to research portions affected by abandonment of Love Lane. Proposed CSM for Bradley Farms filed with Brown Cty–parcel non-conforming as proposed and variance would still be required.

#### **June 2014**

Resident concern regarding odor from NE Organic and land spreading. Material not turned off. DNR and Br Cty closely monitor land spreading and Health Dept can address air quality. Town to continue to monitor as NE Organic previously cited for similar concern w/ municipal court. D. Wallerius concern about culvert request off Cherney Rd which will disrupt natural water flow from neighboring farm fields into his property.

- \*Info Building Permits: ND-484-3 Pepper Road for detached garage. MC;
- \* Approval of Class B beer and liquor licenses for B-5 Golf (Twin Oaks, Circle Tap, The Market, Basil's II, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Bar & Bowl and Duckcreek Winery.
- \* Alternative water source to be addressed for Dept Volunteer Fire Dept. Possible sources include dry well off Umentums or by Park Road or NE Asphalt quarry.
- \* Review of Bids for chip sealing Damsel Court: \$16,688; Aspen Court \$18,129; Kaminski Lane \$13,065 and E. Cherney Rd \$20,255. Motion to approve Scott Construction bid for projects. Excavation of culverts one bid received from Bielinski Excavating with Town to purchase culvert. Ronk Rd \$4,180 & reconstruction of culvert by Frontier \$1,950. MC Resurfacing bid for Langes Corners from railroad tracks to Cty Hwy R to be re-bid for .83 miles with 2" and 3" options. \* Trees cut on Joe's Lane & excavation needed before gravel added. Drainage/culvert concern on Langes Corners where dug out last year to be reviewed by Bd. Finnel Landscape to finish up on Aspen Court.
- \*Grass cutting with Town tractor to begin at the end of June.
- \* Rezoning of 3.09 acres from ND-15 from Ag-1 to Ag-R (4987 N. Cherney Rd) for sale of homestead approved w/ proposed CSM.
- \* Town to table action on abandoning northerly portion of Love Lane until landowners would make request. Little or no benefit to Town or landowners to proceed with due to expense.
- \*Adm. Witte working with Atty. Sickel & Brown Cty on finalizing Farmland Preservation Ordinance. Draft ordinance for next mtg. \*Motion to appoint Brown County to perform Bridge Inspections

#### **July 2014**

Resident concern about Clerk's omission of DOB on background check which resulted in non-approval of bartender license. Clerk offers public apology to the individual & family. Acknowledges her error. Name of individual never disclosed publicly at Town mtg. C. VandenHouten and Mashls requesting paving of Christensen Lane. Three residential homes share this road & w/ resurfacing of Langes Corners they are requesting the Town consider asphalt or chip sealing since equipment will be in the same area.

- \* Village of Denmark has verbally agreed to maintain all of North Ave due to annexation of Wood properties.
- \* Info Building Permits: ND-693-4 for pole building. MC; ND-483 demolition of old barn. ND-333 for swimming pool and deck. MC; ND-654-1 for accessory building. MC; ND-25 for 2 small additions and home renovation. MC, ND-709-10 swimming pool. MC ND-718 for upgrade to existing cell tower. MC
- \* Resurface Langes Corners Rd .83 miles. Bid awarded to NE Asphalt for \$94,895. Bids to be obtained for repainting ctr line on Rosecrans Rd. Work completed on Aspen Ct. Gravel added to all roads and grading complete.
- \* Town can move forward with Court Order to raze ND-17-1 and ND-18-1 Condemnation sign posted at ND-471 Langes Corner property. Atty. Sickel to contact property owner.
- \* Brown Cty Planning Bd of Director Map of Districts approved.
  \* Admin. Witte working with County and Atty. Sickel to finalize Farmland Preservation map and ordinance to be filed with State.
  Public hrg will be needed for input and comments.

# Town Board Members

William Krueger, Chair
Matthew Goetsch
Steve Olsen
Michelle Wallerius, Clerk
Dawn Chervenka,
Treasurer
Beach
Gary Taicher, Assessor
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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 at 863-5523 or at michwallerius@gmail.

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 items on the agenda by calling the Town Chairman.

Notice of hearings and agendas are posted at the Town Hall, Denmark State Bank and BMO Harris Bank and online at the Town website: <a href="https://www.townofnewdenmark.com">www.townofnewdenmark.com</a>.

The **Plan Commission** will meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. as agenda items arise. The **Variance Committee** will meet as zoning issues arises. Notice of hearings will be posted & published in <u>The Denmark News</u>.

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