



# TOWN OF NEW DENMARK NEWSLETTER MARCH 2024

Spring Election is slated for April 2, 2024

**Presidential Primary preference**

Party Preference: Vote for one in Democratic or Republican party, only

**County Supervisor - District 13 (Ward 2)**

Norbert Dantinne

**County Supervisor - District 20 (Ward 1 & 3)**

Devon Coenen

**Denmark School District: (Vote for 2)**

Katie Rabenhorst

Joe Terrien

**Also on the Ballot:** Circuit Court Judges: Branch II & Branch VI and two referendum questions: “Use of private funds in elections administration;” & “Election officials.”

Upcoming Meeting/Event Dates	
April 2, 2024	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 Road.
April 8, 2024 @ 7:00 pm	Town Board Meeting
April 16, 2024 @ 7:00 pm	Annual Town Meeting
April 22, 2024	EARTH DAY – Let us work together to clean-up the Town roads and ditches.

**Reminder for Absentee Voting:** Requests for Absentee Ballots must be made in writing along with a copy of your Photo ID and received by the Clerk by **5:00 pm on March 28, 2024**. If you have a question or concern about voting after this deadline, please contact Michelle Wallerius @ [michwallerius@gmail.com](mailto:michwallerius@gmail.com) or 920.863.5523. An official Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot is available at the Town website [www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com) (EL-121) or a handwritten request signed & dated is also acceptable.

**Dog Licenses:** Pursuant to WI statutes, all dogs over 5 months of age must be licensed as of **APRIL 1, 2024**. Licenses can be purchased from the Treasurer, Michelle Wallerius. 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 Michelle Wallerius at 920.863.5523

## 2024 Earth Day - Highlights

### Disposal of Household

#### Hazardous Waste:

#### **The Brown Cty HHW Facility**

collects & disposes household cleaning products, paints/stains, expired or unused prescription drugs, chemicals, solvents, batteries, fluorescent lights, propane tanks & pesticides that *cannot* be disposed of through a landfill. There may be a small fee associated with the disposal of these products. For more information, please contact the Center at 920-492-4950.

#### **Residential Drop Off Hours:**

Tuesdays: 9 am – 3 pm &  
Thursdays: 12 pm – 6 pm

**What do I do with?** Check out Tri-County Recycling's new search engine Waste Wizard at: <https://recyclemoretricity.org/>

**Reminder to Residents:  
The 2024 Garbage and  
Recycling Pick-up  
Schedules are available  
online at the Town  
website:**

[www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com)

**The Town participates in *single stream recycling* which means paper, plastic, glass & all recyclable material can be placed curbside every other week in the same bin for pick up.**

Please call GFL at 920-983-3341 to have bulky or excess waste picked-up roadside. Pre-payment is required along with specifics as to what is being picked up and/or how many excess bags.

## Spring Projects

**Road Tour:** With Spring upon us, the Board will be conducting their annual road tour next month. 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 and improvements scheduled.

**Construction or remodeling:** Reminder: A Building Informational Permit must be furnished to the Zoning Administrator & approved by the Town Board prior to the start of any construction project over \$500 & is required before a formal Building Permit can be issued. Any structure over 100 sq. ft will require an Informational Building Permit to ensure setback requirements have been met. This form can be found online at the Town website and there is NO charge for the informational permit.

Formal building permit applications & the fee schedule are also available online. If you have a zoning or building question, please direct your inquires to Bills Hafs at 920.615.8708 or [hafsbza@yahoo.com](mailto:hafsbza@yahoo.com)

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The Annual meeting of the electors will be held on **April 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** at the New Denmark Town Hall (5531 W. Town Hall Rd). This meeting will give the residents of New Denmark an opportunity to conduct official town business and voice their concerns on issues facing the Town. The 2023 Annual Financial Report will be available for review as of April 5, 2024 & can be viewed online at the Town website [www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com) in advance of the meeting.

A special THANK YOU to the Denmark Red Lightning 4-H youth for volunteering their time to paint and brighten up the Town Hall railings. Your community service and hard work is greatly appreciated.

## 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](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com).

December 2023	January 2024
<p>*Info permit for D. Murphy on Cooperstown Rd for renovation of garage. MC</p> <p>* Assessor Gaworek highlights year-end comparisons for 2023: 87 million increase in value. 77 million in residential value. Three million in commercial, Four million in swamp/wasteland. 880,000 in Ag and 1.5 million in personal property and 18 million in manufacturing. Nine million in net new construction for 2023, with 5 million coming from BelGioioso Cheese Factory.</p> <p>* Resolution 2024-01 to appoint election officials for 2024-2025.</p> <p>* MOU for annual audit with Hawkins Ash. Cost \$6,505 for 2024. MC</p> <p>* Brown County Municipal Agreement approved for 2023-24.</p> <p>* Request to plow Joe's Lane. Culvert replaced on Park Road by Neshota bridge. Tires picked up on Ronk Road. Black top issues to be addressed on North Avenue.</p> <p>* Discussion of grandfathered parcel, ND-373-2. Parcel created in 1980 and lacks 500 feet of road frontage.</p> <p>* Discussion of Conditional Use Permit for NEW Organics and if any water discharge is from the facility and possible testing of surrounding well water. Atty. Sickel states the facility does not have any water discharge. Property owners can monitor well water and if any concerns arise, they can bring back to the board for further review.</p>	<p>* ND-347-1 and whether residential dwelling could be restored with B-1 zoning. Primary use would have to be business or would require a re-zone back to Ag-R or R-1.</p> <p>* Assessor Gaworek working on maintenance permits. Partials and sales review. Discussion of adding Apex sketching program to Market Drive. Motion by Board to approve for one time cost of \$655 and annual fee of \$260.</p> <p>* Motion by Board to approve storage at Town Hall for Santa's Helper from mid-October through December. Applications for assistance come through Community Cupboard or the school.</p> <p>* Denmark Volunteer Fire Dept contract for 2024 approved: annual cost of \$89,069.98.</p> <p>* Culvert replaced on Town Hall Road. Wendt Services submitted estimated to cut trees hanging over on Pine Grove Rd. Motion to approve cost for cutting. MC</p> <p>* Fire number to be obtained for Mike Jeanquart – Hidden Hills Trail, and number installed for Bug Tussle tower site on Cty P.</p> <p>* Resolution 2024-02 to approve discontinuation of a portion of Old Settlers Road by ND-239 &amp; ND-239-2 south of roadway.</p> <p>* Board to attend Town Association meeting in February for review of grant funding for road improvement and Bd of Review training. Quarterly Town Association meeting to be held 1/25/24 at Susters. New Denmark is host &amp; coordinating guest speaker.</p> <p>* Admin Hafs submitted annual rezoning report with 3 rezone for 2023. Town zoning map to be updated and available online.</p> <p>*MOU signed for reimbursement for absentee ballot envelopes.</p>
February 2024	March 2024
<p>*Info permit for ND-615 &amp; ND-622 for 50x100 accessory building. Recommendation property owner adjust lot lines at future date with plat of survey. Motion to approve. ND-650 4822 R. Kane Lane for 45x50 accessory building. MC</p> <p>* Assessor Gaworek working on maintenance &amp; 2023 sales and transfers. 90+ transactions and 17 valid sales.</p> <p>* Noted complaints with major snow fall due to drifting and melting conditions.</p> <p>* Request to move March meeting to March 4, 2024.</p> <p>* Request from L. Hager for multi-family development on ND-692 &amp; ND-693 with proposal to utilize Village utilities since property borders the Village. Property would also need to be rezoned to R-1 with CUP and subdivision ordinance would then apply. The Village would also need to approve and it is likely this property would be annexed into the Village.</p> <p>* Zoning map for Town has been updated online and NEW Organics has submitted land spreading report for 2023 with parcels identified.</p> <p>*Proposal from Delmore Consulting to identify and inspect 6-20ft culverts in Town for WisLR requirements.</p>	<p>*L. Feller of Hope Lane indicates tree was damaged by teens in front of property. Discussion of adding reflective arrow to highlight dead end or cul-du-sac.</p> <p>*Info permit for ND-343 for demo and re-construction at Bel Gioioso Plant at Steves Cheese Road. Zoning Administrator notes small parcel remains Ag-R after removal of old residence. Recommendation to rezone to limited industrial to conform to zoning. Motion to approve permit and Town to recommend rezone of ND-343. Refer to Plan Commission.</p> <p>* Assessor Gaworek states Board to look at dates for Board of Review at end of May, with open book to be scheduled.</p> <p>* Motion to award Delmore Consulting contract to identify and inspect 6-20' culverts in municipality.</p> <p>* Review of contract from Ayres for local bridge inspection for 2024. Board to hold until next meeting to determine what bridges may fall under Delmore Consulting, as they would require inspection per State guidelines.</p> <p>* Motion to approve Resolution 2024-02 for discontinuation of portion of Old Settlers Road. Quick claim deed to be signed at April meeting by parties.</p> <p>* Board appoints Matt Goetsch to Brown County Planning Commission Board of Directors for 3-year term to represent the Town of New Denmark and Town of Eaton. MC</p> <p>*Sup. Calewarts submit Affidavit for Board of Review Training.</p> <p>*Discussion of mailbox damage on Kaminski Lane. Sup. Calewarts to discuss with Pro1.</p> <p>*Administrator Hafs states he attended DATCP presentation and Town zoning is consistent with 80% standards.</p> <p>* Discussion if Town should contribute to Brown County Bridge Fund due to large number of 36" culverts and cost to replace.</p>

## Town Board Members

William J. Krueger, Chair 362-5799  
Matthew Goetsch 883-0325  
Mike Calewerts 863-8059  
Michelle Wallerius,  
Clerk/Treasurer 863-5523  
Fay Lau, Constable 863-8734  
Michael Gaworek, Assessor 655-0975  
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920-680-3376  
Bill Hafs, Zoning Administrator  
[hafsbza@yahoo.com](mailto:hafsbza@yahoo.com) 920-615-8708

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](mailto:michwallerius@gmail.com)*

## Posting of Notices

Pursuant to 2015 WI Act 79: Legal notices & agendas may be posted at the Town Hall & online at the Town's official website:  
[www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com)

The **Plan Commission** and **Variance Committee** will meet as zoning issues arises. The Plan Commission **will meet at a date and time to be determined** as zoning issues arise. Public hearing notices and all other legal notices will be published in The Denmark News.

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