



TOWN OF WAUSAU NEWSLETTER

October 23, 2021

IT'S ALMOST TAX SEASON

Here are a few reminders about the upcoming property tax bills:

- Need a receipt? You can access your receipt online or you can send a self-addressed, stamped envelope along with your tax payment.
- Double check that your check is written out for the correct amount and made payable to the Town of Wausau.
- The Town of Wausau Treasurer cannot accept payments after February 1 nor can she accept second payments that are due in the summer.
- Dog license: please download the dog license form on the Town of Wausau website and return it to the Town of Wausau Treasurer with a copy of the rabies certificate from your veterinary.
- You can access all your tax needs online. If you lose your bill, need a receipt, or want to check if your taxes have been paid, access this information online at: <https://ascent.co.marathon.wi.us/AscentLandRecords/>

Any questions please do not hesitate to call Susie Borchardt 715/551-2868.

2021 ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE WEEKEND

The 2021 Town of Wausau Rummage Sale Weekend was a huge success with 38 known sale addresses. Approximately, \$31,000 in sales were made! That's an amazing number of items "recycled" in one weekend. The Cub Scouts had about \$1,800 in sales at their food stand. Twenty-four of our local businesses contributed towards printing and advertising costs. After all expenses were paid the excess funds were presented in a check for \$1,508.72 to the Town of Wausau Fire Department. **THANK YOU ALL!**

The 2022 Rummage Sale Weekend is planned for May 20-22, 2022. Anyone interested in helping us organize all details involved with the sale are welcome to call Nancy @ 715-845-2699 or see Susan at Sunset Country Store

WINTER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

With winter approaching, please be cautious when driving, watch for the snowplow, keep your garbage dumpster off the road, and avoid plowing snow across and into the road. The Town of Wausau Ordinance Sec. 58.104: Depositing Snow Removal states: *No person may push or deposit snow, or cause snow to be pushed or deposited from his/her own personal driveway or parking area into the public streets and/or alley or*

roadway. Plowing snow across the road can cause unsafe road conditions as well as slush/icy conditions. To avoid receiving a fine, please do not plow snow across the road.

ROAD PROJECTS

It was a busy summer in the Town of Wausau with several road projects being completed. As of October 1, the below projects were finished:

NEW BLACKTOP:

- Evergreen Rd.; From Chico Rd. to Jim Moore Creek
- Del Rio Rd.; From Evergreen Rd. to Batten Dr.
- Batten Dr.; From Del Rio Rd. to Viewpoint Rd. to Evergreen Rd.

A GSB 88 SEAL COAT on Prael Creek Rd.

NEW CULVERTS installed on Pond Crest, Evergreen Road, Del Rio Road, Batten Drive, Viewpoint Road, McIntosh Road, Gravel Stone Road, and Barley Road (it will be installed in October). A County Culvert Aid Grant was received to cover 50 percent of the cost of the culverts on Evergreen and McIntosh Roads.

DITCHING was completed on Farm Ridge Road, Del Rio Road, Rest Lawn Road, Lonely Lane. Ditching will also occur on Honey Ridge Road and 25th Street in October.

SHOULDERS were completed on Evergreen Road, Del Rio Road, Batten Drive, Viewpoint Road, Rest Lawn Road, Mercedes Road, Wellborn Road, Jim Moore Creek Road, and Colonial Road.

GRANITE/ROADBASE LIFTS were completed on Evergreen Road, Del Rio Road, Batten Drive, Viewpoint Road, Restlawn Road, Land Art Road, Pebblestone Road, Gravelstone Road, 25th Street, Guinness Road, Colton Road, Michael Street, Jay Circle, Hayfield Road, Pasture Lane, and Distant Lane.

ELECTION INSPECTORS

In accordance with WI. St. Stats. every two years the Town Board must approve the list of election inspectors presented by the Town Clerk. The cycle will cover 2022 – 2023 elections. Anyone that is interested in serving, please contact Cindy Worden by phone or email by November 30th. There is required training done by the clerk for this paid position.



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ELECTIONS 2022-NEW VOTING MACHINE

Four elections are scheduled for 2022 beginning on February 15th. A touch screen machine will be introduced to vote on for those wanting to try it out. It is called an 'ExpressVote'. It will eventually be the preferred way to cast a ballot. Some areas of the state are only using this machine to cast a ballot. It is equipped with an audio headphone option.

The voter inserts a blank page into the machine. It is programmed with the current election media. The voter chooses which candidates to cast their vote for. A keypad will appear if a voter wants to place a write-in name on their ballot.

It alerts a voter if they have under voted or over voted. It allows a voter to go back and change their mind, and finally check voted choices. After the voter is finished, they eject the ballot from the machine. All the voter's choices are listed on the ballot for a final review. The voter then deposits the 'ballot' into the tabulating machine to be counted. The state designed this machine to use for in person absentee voters and voters on election day to help eliminate errors by being able to recognize voter intent. The cost of the blank ballot is only one-half of what a preprinted ballot is and there isn't any waste having to destroy excess ballots not needed. After registering to vote an election inspector will offer any assistance needed to use the ExpressVote.

BE SURE TO TEST YOUR SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR



November 7 is day lights savings time. "Fall back" so set your clocks back by one hour. This is a great time to test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure they are working and replace the batteries if needed. If you do not have these items in your home, it is recommended purchasing and installing them as soon as possible. Please follow the instructions as to when to replace these devices. The rule of thumb is anything over 10 years old should be replaced. Both items could save your life!

DOG OWNERS

The Town Board has received several complaints about dogs running at large, dogs barking for long periods of time, and dog owners not picking their dog's droppings up on their neighbor's property. If all dog owners would be aware of their dog's misbehavior and take corrective action, it will help keep your neighbors and neighborhood happy.

The Town of Wausau Code of Ordinance **Sec. 10.108. Restrictions on Keeping Dogs** states: No person within the town shall own, harbor, or keep:

- a. Any dog which habitually pursues any vehicle upon any public street, alley, or highway in the town;
- b. Any dog which assaults or attacks any person;
- c. Any dog which is at large within the limits of the town;
- d. Any dog which habitually barks or howls to the annoyance of two (2) or more of its neighbors;
- e. Any dog that kills, wounds, or worries any domestic animal;
- f. Any dog that is kept for the purpose of animal fighting, or train, torment, badger, bait or use any animal for the purpose of causing or encouraging said animal to attack human beings or domestic animals when provoked;
- g. Any dog that is brought from another city, village, town, or county that has been declared dangerous or vicious or its equivalent by that jurisdiction; or
- h. Any dog which is known by any such person to be infected with rabies or to have been bitten by any animal known to have been infected with rabies.

If you are found in violation of the ordinance, the dog could be restrained, seized, or impounded. The resident could also be fined.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING FOR TOWN OF WAUSAU MARATHON COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 8, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. at the Town of Wausau Municipal Building, 161484 Cty. Rd. Z, a Public Hearing on the proposed 2022 budget of the Town of Wausau, Marathon County, WI will be held. The proposed detailed budget is available online at <http://www.townofwausau.com>

Dated this 20th day of October 2021

By Cynthia L Worden, Town of Wausau Clerk

NOTICE TOWN OF WAUSAU, MARATHON COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that a special town meeting of the electors, Town of Wausau, Marathon County, Wisconsin, will be held at the Town of Wausau Municipal Building, 161484 County Road Z, Wausau, WI. 54403 on the 8th day of November 2021, immediately following the completion of the Public Hearing on the proposed 2022 town budget which begins at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To approve the 2021 total town tax levy to be collected in 2022 pursuant to s.60.10 (1) (a) of the WI. State Stats.
2. To authorize the town board to purchase any land within the town that does not exceed \$20,000 in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes 60.10 (2) (e).

Dated this 20th day of October 2021 By: Cynthia L. Worden, Town Clerk of the Town of Wausau

	2021 Budget	2022 Proposed Budget	% change
Revenues:			
Taxes	682,897	691,206	1.22
Other taxes	12,753	12,503	
Special Assessments	127,213	131,794	
Intergovernmental Revenues	241,233	332,901	
Licenses & Permits	7,245	10,650	
Fines, Forfeitures, & Penalties	0	0	
Public Chrgs. for Services	7,600	7,400	
Misc. Revenues	12,500	14,700	
Granite Pit Contract Royalty	20,000	25,000	
Long Term Debt	0	200,000	
Total Revenues	1,111,441	1,426,154	
Cash Balance Applied	25,000	45,722	
ARPA Federal Grant 2021	115,606	110,390	
R/S carryover	175,000	175,000	
Future Equipment Fund	18,000	0	
Total Revenues	1,427,047	1,757,266	23.1
Expenditures:			
General Government	116,939	123,871	
Public Safety	75,408	76,292	
Public Works	890,306	1,166,863	
Debt. Service	81,575	81,575	
New Debt Service	0	30,000	
Garbage/Recycle Contract	127,213	131,794	
ARPA expenditures	5,216	144,871	
Future Equipment Fund	18,000	0	
Fire Dept. Reserve	2,000	2,000	
Total Expenditures	1,316,657	1,757,266	33.4
ARPA 2021 Reserve	110,390	0	
	1,427,047	1,757,266	
Reserve Funds:			
Fire Dept. Equipment 1/1/2021	46,980		
12/31/2021 projection	55,759		



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Town of Wausau
231256 Shenandoah Ridge Road
Wausau, WI 54403

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**TOWN OF WAUSAU
BUDGET HEARING FOLLOWED BY A
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

TOWN OF WAUSAU CONTACTS



Chair: Matt Baer	715/581-3205
Supervisors:	
Steve Buntin	715/551-9134
Sharon Hunter	715/842-7433
Clerk: Cynthia Worden	715/297-1157
Treasurer: Susan Borchardt	715/551-2868
Fire Chief: Kevin Yolitz	715/432-3602
Assessor: Kurt Moeller	715/298-2061
Zoning Permits: Larry Vesely	715/574-9186
Municipal Center:	715/845-8458



**HAPPY HALLOWEEN
TRICK TREAT HOURS 4-7 P.M.
OCTOBER 31
BE SURE TO TURN ON AN OUTSIDE
LIGHT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TRICK OR
TREATERS**