



# TOWN OF WAUSAU NEWSLETTER

March 25, 2022

## TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022 IS THE SPRING ELECTION

# Vote

Polls are open 7 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Town of Wausau Municipal Building  
161484 County Road Z

- Social distancing is recommended.
- You will need to bring a valid photo ID to be able to vote. A valid photo ID may have a different address on it.
- New residents of the town that have resided for at least 28 days may register to vote. Residents that have moved within the town or have changed their last name must reregister.
- Approved proof of residency must be provided at registration.
- Registration election day is allowed at the polls.
- The term 'early voting' in WI means to vote by absentee either by mail or in person at the municipal building (by appointment only).
- A Wisconsin application for absentee ballot form must be filled out and submitted to the clerk along with a copy of a photo ID OR requested online: <https://myvote.wi.gov>.
- In person absentee voting by appointment only is scheduled from March 22 and 23; and March 28 – April 1 between the hours of 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Absentee in person voting is only allowed during these posted dates and times.
- In person absentee voting is never allowed on the day prior to an election.
- To be counted, all absentee ballots must be received by closing of the polls on election day.
- Completed absentee ballots may be dropped off at the clerk's home office by April 4, or on election day at the municipal building by 8 p.m.
- The Partisan Primary is on August 9<sup>th</sup> followed by the General Election on November 8, 2022.
- More information is located at the town's website: <http://www.townofwausau.com>.
- Please contact Town of Wausau Clerk, Cindy Worden to schedule an appointment 715.297.1157 or if you have questions.

### WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT APRIL 5?

- Court of Appeals Judge District 3
- Circuit Court Judge District 2
- County Board District 12
- Wausau and DC Everest School Board
- Wausau School Referendum

## EXPRESS VOTING MACHINE

A new touch screen voting machine called 'ExpressVote' will be made available for use for the first time on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Please try it out. Some municipalities are only using these machines and have received excellent feedback from their residents. There will be someone available to offer assistance. Eventually the preprinted ballots will be phased out. It is only a candidate selection machine. After printing out the choices a voter makes, it is still inserted by the voter into the DS200 for tallying.

In person absentee voters will be able to use the machine, print out their voted choices, and insert the voted ballot into a sealed envelope to be opened on election day, inserted into the DS200, and recorded by election inspectors. We hope you will give it a try!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

## TOWN OF WAUSAU ANNUAL MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022, 7:00 P.M.

On Tuesday, April 19, the annual town meeting will be held. The annual meeting is presided over by the town chairperson. In order to vote at the annual meeting a town resident must be over 18 years old and be eligible to vote in regular elections pursuant to Chapter 6 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Property owners who are not residents are not allowed the right to vote. The town chairperson should acknowledge non-residents and allow them to speak, but only qualified electors can vote. There is no absentee voting or voting by proxy allowed. All actions of the meeting must be by vote. Voting can occur by paper ballot, show of hands, standing, or voice vote. Electors vote on which voting method is preferred.

An agenda is not required. If the town board anticipates bringing up a subject at the meeting, an agenda should be posted or published to inform the people of the topic.

At the annual meeting, the residents will be asked to approve the minutes of last year's meeting. The town board presents the annual financial report. New business as well as old business can be discussed.

We hope that you will attend the annual meeting and be part of our town government!



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## 2022 TOWN OF WAUSAU RUMMAGE SALE

FRIDAY, MAY 20 and SATURDAY, MAY 21

8 A.M. TILL 5 P.M.

SUNDAY, MAY 22

11 A.M. TILL 4 P.M.



Mark your calendar the annual town-wide rummage sale is coming up quickly. If you hold a rummage sale, you will set it up, put up signs at your resident, and work your own sale. You will keep ALL your proceeds. Advertising for the town-wide event will include local media, signs, fliers in grocery bags, and fliers and posters at local bars and restaurants. If you join in, there will be lists of participating addresses and a brief description of items for sale along with the names of all the business sponsors, any promos at the businesses like a coupon, drawing box, lunch special, etc. and a map. The businesses cover all the advertising costs, and any unused funds go to the Town of Wausau Fire Department. Last year over \$1,500.00 was donated to the Fire Department. Any local organizations such as the Scouts, 4 H, Snowmobile, and/or ATV clubs are encouraged to join in.

For more information and to add your address to the list, contact Nancy Anderson at 715.845.2699 or email [andnancy@gmail.com](mailto:andnancy@gmail.com) or contact Susan at Sunset Store.

**BUSINESSES:** please contact Nancy or Susan by April 15 to ensure your name is included on the posters and fliers. **RESIDENTS CONDUCTING A SALE:** please sign up asap (even if you do not know what items you have for sale). This will help us with organizing the event. Deadline to signup is May 15. Anyone wishing to help organize this year's event, contact Nancy or Susan!

### NEWS FROM THE TOWN TREASURER

Tax season has come to an end for sending tax payments to the Town of Wausau Treasurer. If you made a partial payment in December or January, you would need to send the second installment to the Marathon County Treasurer (see your tax bill for directions). If you need to license your dog, download the dog license form at <http://www.townofwausau.com> and send it to the Town of Wausau Treasurer along with your payment and rabies certificate. Thanks Susie Borchardt, Town of Wausau Treasurer

## 2022 PROPOSED ROAD PROJECTS



The Town of Wausau Road Committee met last November to review the 2021 completed road projects and identify potential projects for 2022.

It is projected that blacktopping costs will increase by 18 to 22 percent in 2022, crack sealing by 28 percent as well as chip sealing up 35 percent. Therefore, the following roads are being considered in 2022 if funds allow:

- Pebblestone/Schroeder/Gravelstone adding road base and then chip seal covering.
- Lori Jodi chip seal.
- Reconstruction of Evergreen Road west of Jim Moore Creek Road to the city limits.

Future projects being considered for reconstruction are Wellborn, McIntosh, and Mercedes.

If you need to install or replace a driveway, please contact Jim Borelli at 715.803.8282 or Larry Vesely at 715.574.9186. They can address your questions about driveway and/or culvert specifications.

Please contact Larry Vesely if you need an address or address sign. It is important that you do not remove or move your address sign. It is located on your property, so it is clearly visible for emergency personnel to easily respond to a call.

There is an opening on the Road Committee. If anyone is interested in serving on the committee, please email Sharon Hunter at [supervisor.hunter@townofwausau.com](mailto:supervisor.hunter@townofwausau.com) or call 715.212.1672. The committee meets once or twice a year, reviews the Paser Road Ratings, and ranks future road projects.

### ARE YOU THINKING OF BURNING?

If so, please check out the Town's burning ordinance on the town website at <https://townofwausau.com>. It could cost you up to \$500 if the Fire Department is called out to your property for not following the ordinance. *Legal burning permits are issued by the Town Only. Not by the DNR.* For more information, contact Kevin Yolitz at 715.432.3602, Kyle Borchardt at 715.340.3561 or Ben Schlund at 715.297.3396.

**TOWN OF WAUSAU ANNUAL REPORT 2021**

**BALANCE ON HAND: JANUARY 1, 2021**

Ckg./savings/tax acct./res.	219,103.35
Fire Dept reserve	46,979.71
Ord. enforce.-dogs	<u>2,215.81</u>
	268,298.87

**2021 REVENUE**

YR 2020 Tax collections	2,554,532.76
Del. P.P. tax & int.	2,687.10
Special assess./garbage	127,654.00
Lotto credit	25,395.23
Co. settlement	178,578.82
Tax overpay./ dog lic.	1,771.60
Forest crop prog.	12,953.36
State - personal prop. aid	6,316.81
City-annexation pay.	<u>753.14</u>
	2,910,642.82

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL**

State shared revenue	55,895.63
State hwy aids	148,613.40
State fire ins. dues	7,985.72
Co. culvert aid	14,662.23
State-MFL + withdrawal	14,827.93
State-exempt computer aid	484.29
State-recycling grant	1,368.69
Fed -ARPA/state routes to recovery	<u>116,359.88</u>
	360,197.77

**LICENSES & PERMITS**

Bus. licenses/publish costs	2,277.06
Building/driveway	5,273.00
Dog license	3,100
Utility policy permit	<u>1,300.00</u>
	11,950.06

**PUBLIC CHRGS. FOR SERVICES**

Direct billed garbage	601.29
Zoning permits/fees	2,830.00
Sand/plow/culverts	972.60
Fire service calls	<u>2,600.00</u>
	7,003.89

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Building rent/dep.	1,665.00
Int. income	629.47
2021 land rent	500.00
Granite pit lease	27,583.84
Dividend -WC audit	1,465.00
Co.signage reimburse.	120.00
Banned landfill items -reimburse.	1,525.20

Fire dept donations	11,758.72
Ins. Claim - lawsuit	11,360.55
Court cost - reimburse./misc	204.00
Ads/public records req.	<u>115.52</u>
	56,927.30

**\*\*\*\*TOTAL REVENUE\*\*\*\***

**3,615,020.71**

**2021 EXPENSES**

**TOWN GOVERNMENT**

Bd.salary/mileage/fica	30,288.11
Treas.salary /mileage/fica	12,558.61
Treas. supplies/tax prog.	3,914.50
Clerk salary/mileage/fica	26,752.27
Clerk supplies	2,468.83
Fire proof file cabinets - ARPA funding	4,170.00
Plan com/bd. appeals/exp	1,281.14
Election exp.	2,572.74
Assessor/Bd. Review	18,787.00
Town pub./website	3,489.20
Zoning admin. salary/fica	7,750.80
Legal exp.	19,202.45
WTA mtgs./dues/other	<u>3,347.98</u>
	136,583.63

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Fire dept. exp.	8,871.05
Wages/fica/edu/inspect/ser.prg.	39,156.14
Equip.	11,896.87
Radio tower & radios/ARPA funding	19,123.03
Standby ambulance fee	13,805.76
Loan prin/int. pay.	<u>27,324.00</u>
	120,176.85

**TOWN INSURANCE POLICY**

26,953.00

**GARBAGE CONTRACT /CLN. UP**

128,431.41

**HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES**

R/S wages/benefits/fica	132,836.89
Equip. repair/tires	47,849.31
Road signage/address	1,809.37
Culverts	23,586.16
Fuel/grease/oil	19,612.77
Supp. exp./ blacktop patch	20,408.89
Road sand/salt mix	12,295.78
Granite/base rd. main.	16,152.28
Blacktop/seal coat/crackfill	354,279.78
Road base - RC	63,471.53

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Equip. hire/rent	5,414.66
Mining permit	1,500.00
Truck prin/int pay.	<u>54,251.70</u>
	753,469.12
<b>EQUIPMENT OUTLAY</b>	27,415.25
<b>LAND ACQUISITION</b>	1,528.05
<b>GARAGE &amp; SHOP EXPENSES</b>	6,118.54
<b>MUNICIPAL BUILDING EXP.</b>	
Repairs/utilities/cleaning	9,208.54
Sec. dep.refund	<u>340.00</u>
	9,548.54
<b>TAXES &amp; CREDITS PAID OUT</b>	
Wausau School Dist.	961,001.91
DC Everest Dist.	358,947.98
VTAE	164,649.52
County/forest programs	596,333.86
Co.share DNR + withdrawal	2,965.59
Co. share dog license	644.00
Escrow/garb overpay	<u>2,014.48</u>
	2,086,557.34
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,296,781.73</b>
<b><u>BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2021</u></b>	
Ckg./savings/tax acct.	6,804.03
Fire dept. equip. reserve	55,765.75
Ord. enforce. – dogs	3,355.81
Res. road const.	160,000.00
Res. ARPA funds	<u>92,313.39</u>
	318,238.98
<b>****TOTAL BAL. &amp; EXPEND.****</b>	<b><u>3,615,020.71</u></b>
Public Safety Loan Bal.	163,600.00
2019 International Truck Bal.	90,023.19
2017 Western Star Truck Bal.	<u>63,041.31</u>
	316,664.50

**2021 TAX ROLL STATEMENT**

**VALUATION:**

Wausau School District	119,736,300.00
DC Everest District	<u>46,895,900.00</u>
<b>TOTAL VALUE</b>	<b>166,632,200.00</b>

**LEVIES:**

State	-
County	922,195.21
Town	691,206.00
Wausau School District	1,488,158.15
DC Everest District	532,418.60
NCTI	244,164.99
Overrun/Underrun	<u>(0.03)</u>

**GROSS TAX ROLL**

	<b>3,878,142.92</b>
Less school tax credit	334,023.07
Less first dollar credit	75,406.49
Less lottery & gaming credit	210,283.75

**NET TAX ROLL**

	<b>3,258,429.61</b>
Garbage assessments	132,948.25
Special charges-fire call	748.00
Managed forest lands	13,371.54
<b>TOTAL TAX ROLL</b>	<b>4,025,210.71</b>

ASSESSMENT RATIO: 0.826227031

**TAX RATE PER \$1,000 VALUATION**

**LISTED ACCORDING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

Wausau: gross rate \$23.57	
Less school credit-\$2.00 =	21.57
DC Everest: gross rate \$22.50	
Less school credit-\$2.00 =	20.50

The following notice will be posted on 4/1/2022 : **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Wausau Annual Town Meeting will be held at the Town of Wausau Municipal Building at 161484 County Road Z, on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to transact any business over which a town meeting has jurisdiction. (s.60.11)**

**Cynthia L Worden Town of Wausau Clerk**

This report is available online at <http://www.townofwausau.com/>

Click on documents to view [annual report 2021](#)

**NOTE:** Please bring this report with you to the annual meeting. Detail transaction by transaction reports will be available to view at the meeting. You may purchase a copy for a cost of \$5.00. Contact Cindy Worden at 715.297.1157 by April 15th to order a copy of the report.



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## FALL CLEAN UP



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24  
8:30-11:30 A.M.**

Do you have items you want to throw out that you cannot fit into your trash can? If so, bring these items to the Town of Wausau Municipal Building between 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 24. Please bring this newsletter or some other form of ID to show proof of town residency. There will be no charge to drop off metal, cardboard, or trash. Only trash, furniture, metal, cardboard, and recyclables will be collected that day. Tires, electronics, microwaves, etc. **WILL NOT** be collected. You will need to find alternate ways to dispose of these items.

## OPEN BOOK AND BOARD OF REVIEW

The Town of Wausau open book session will be held on May 19 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Board of Review is scheduled for May 26 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Both are held at the Town Municipal Building.

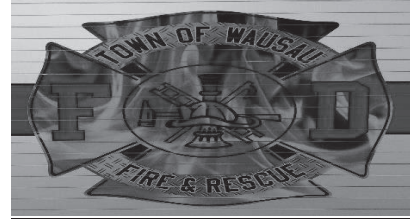
If you have concerns regarding your property tax assessment, this is your chance to ask questions.

Please contact Kurt Moeller, Town of Wausau Assessor, at 715.298.2061 for an appointment or to answer questions about your assessment. You may also contact Cindy Worden, Town Clerk, to schedule an appointment at 715.297.1157. This is a single annual opportunity to change an assessment if found unfairly assessed.

## LAND FOR SALE BY THE TOWN OF WAUSAU

The Town of Wausau was approached by a resident to purchase four lots in the township for the cost of the taxes owed on the property. The Town accepted the offer and would like to sell the lots. The lots are located in Section 20 – Wilda Acres, Addition – Lots 2, 3, 4, and 5 Pin: 080-2908-203-0002, 080-2908-203-0003, 080-2908-203-0004, and 080-2908-203-0005. The minimum price must not be less than \$11,000 (set value). For more information, please contact Supervisor Buntin by email at supervisor.buntin@townofwausau.com or call 715.551.9134.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS



**GRANT AWARD:** The Fire Department received a \$750 grant from the DNR. The grant will offset the cost of six sets of coveralls for fighting wildland fires. These coveralls will be used instead of structural turnout gear which is much warmer during the summer.

**SAFETY NOTE:** Just a reminder to test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors frequently to make sure they are working and replace batteries if needed. If you currently do not have these in your home, consider purchasing and installing them as soon as possible. Both can save your life. Remember, carbon monoxide is odorless and cannot be seen. Please follow the instructions as to when to replace these devices. Rule of thumb anything over 10 years old should be replaced.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Town of Wausau Volunteer Fire Department is always looking for volunteers to join the team as a first responder, firefighter, or both. For more information, please contact Chief Kevin Yolitz at 715.432.3602.

## TOWN OF WAUSAU CONTACTS



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



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231256 Shenandoah Ridge Road  
Wausau, WI 54403

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