

A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR TOWN

SPRING 2024

Town Officials

Town Board

Joe Coenen Town Chairperson
Karen Lawrence, Supervisor #1
Paul Knuppel, Supervisor #2
Chuck Kavanaugh, Supervisor #3
Tom Walsh, Supervisor #4

Town Staff

Michael Brown, Town Administrator Cynthia Sieracki, Clerk-Treasurer Nichole Nielsen, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Open, Administrative Asst. **Dennis Jandrey**, Engineering

Technician

Ray Mohr, Fire & Rescue Chief Paul Hermes, Building Inspector

Our office will be closed March 29 - Good Friday May 27- Memorial Day

April 2nd Presidential Preference Election

Town Office

Town Board Supervisor #2
Town Board Supervisor #4

School Districts

School Board Member-Kimberly School Board Member-Kaukauna School Board Member-Wrightstown

State

President of the United States Statewide Referendum (s)

County Office

County Supervisor District #8
County Supervisor District #9
County Supervisor District #11

Judicial

Circuit Court Judge Branch #5

You can see what is on your ballot by going to myvote.wi.gov.

All residents of the Town of Buchanan vote at the Town Hall located at N178 County Road N, Appleton, WI.

The polls will be open at the Town Hall from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you are unable to vote at the polls in person, absentee voting will be available at the Town Hall starting Tuesday, March 19th through Thursday, March 21st from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday, March 22nd from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Monday, March 25th through Thursday, March 28th from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

For more information on elections, please contact us at (920) 734-8599 or go to myvote.wi.gov.



Springfield Park Project

The Town Board approved the selection of Proposal from Lee Recreation, LLC

Springfield Park 2024 Improvements

- New Playground
- Basketball Court
- Tennis Court
- Pickleball Court
- Trail



Open Burning Regulations

In order to promote the public health, safety, and welfare and to safeguard the health, comfort, living conditions, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Buchanan [from threats] due to the air pollution and fire hazards of open burning, outdoor burning, and refuse burning, the related ordinance was changed and went into effect on January 1, 2017.

The Ordinance applies to all outdoor burning and refuse burning within the Town of Buchanan.

It does not apply to grilling or cooking using charcoal, wood, propane, or natural gas in cooking or grilling appliances.

It does not apply to burning in a stove, furnace, fireplace, or other heating device within a building used for human or animal habitation unless the material being burned includes refuse as defined in § 209-9 of the Municipal Code.

This article does not apply to the use of propane, acetylene, natural gas, gasoline, or kerosene in a device intended for heating, construction or maintenance activities.

Burning Permits

No person shall start or maintain any open burning without obtaining a burning permit issued by the Town of Buchanan. This does not include small recreational fires provided that the fire is confined by a control device or structure such as a fire ring or fire pit. There is no fee for the annual burn permit.

Open burning shall only be conducted on Saturdays, other than legal holidays, as defined by \S 995.20, Wis. Stats., between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

CALLING ALL DOGS!

If you are more than five months old, tell your owner that you need a shiny new tag for your collar.

Your owner must bring in a current rabies vaccination certificate from a veterinarian in

order to be issued a license. It's only \$7.00 if you are spayed or neutered, but your owner needs to bring proof of that from your veterinarian.

Dog licenses are sold at the Town Hall or by downloading and mailing the completed application with payment, rabies certificate & self-addressed stamped envelope.

The annual license fees are as follows:

Spayed or Neutered - \$7.00 Not Spayed or Not Neutered - \$12.00 Limit—3 dogs

Licenses issued after March 31, 2024 will be an additional \$5.00

Would You Like To Be a Firefighter or EMT?

Did you know the Buchanan Fire & Rescue Department is volunteer/ paid-on-call? Did you know there are different ways to join and serve your community? You can choose between being an active firefighter, EMT, or both. The Town of Buchanan will pay for your State Certified Trainings once you have become a member.



Currently the Buchanan Fire & Rescue Department has openings for firefighters and EMTs.

Are you ready to serve your Buchanan Community? Volunteer firefighting is very rewarding and a valuable way to serve your community. It takes dedication and many hours of training to become a firefighter or EMT. If you're willing to put in the time and effort, Buchanan Fire & Rescue is ready for you to serve.

More information and applications can be found on our website: www.townofbuchanan.org



Household Hazardous Waste

Residents are encouraged to dispose of their hazardous materials during the hazardous waste collection days held at Outagamie County Recycling & Solid Waste, located at 1919 Holland Road, Appleton.

The program will run May - October from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the following days:

- Wednesdays: May 8; June 12; July 17; August 14; September 11; October 2
- Saturdays: May 11; June 15; July 20; August 17; September 14; October 5

Appointments are required!!! Online: www.RecycleMoreOutagamie.org/appointments or call (920) 832-5277.

Types of hazardous wastes include—Automotive supplies such as: gasoline, fluids for motors; engine oil; anti-freeze; lead acid batteries. Cleaners such as: drain & oven cleaners; pool chemicals; household cleaners & aerosols. Garden & Lawn care supplies like: herbicides; insecticides; weed killer & poisons. Miscellaneous household items include: oil & lead paints; varnish & stains; spray paints & adhesives; paint thinners; wood preservatives; kerosene and mercury.

If you are unable to attend one of the scheduled collection dates and times, Outagamie County residents may utilize the Brown County Hazardous Waste Facility located at 2561 S. Broadway Dr., Ashwaubenon, WI for free. Thursdays 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. & Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., find more information at:

<u>www.browncountyrecycling.org/hazardous-waste</u> or call (920) 492-4950.



As of January 2024 you can now use the video option for most meetings.

Meetings are arranged by date, with the most recent at the top of the list. Click **Video** to listen to the meeting and view agenda documents, or **Agenda** or **Minutes** to see just the documents. You can also search the archives by typing keywords into the Search box.

https:// www.townofbuchanan.org/ your-government/agendasminutes





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2024 Garbage, Recycling & Yard Waste Info

Bulky Item & Appliance Pick-Up

Bulky items must have stickers on them. All stickers need to be purchased at the Town Hall office before noon on the Tuesday before pick-up each month. Pick-up for these items is scheduled on the third Wednesday of each month.

Large bulky items and appliances will cost \$20.00 each. Small bulky items will cost \$10.00 each.

We can not take items that contain Freon or any TVs.



Note: TV's, Electronic items or anything with Freon can not be picked up.

Holiday Week Pick-Ups

When your garbage day falls within the week of a holiday, everyone who normally has their pick-up on that holiday, and everyone after the holiday during that week, will be delayed one day for pick-up.

When is Garbage & Recycling pick-up?

Recycling is picked up every other week on the same collection day as your garbage. To find out the collection day for your specific street, go to the Town's website under Town Services.

RECYCLE/LARGE ITEM PICK UP CALENDAR

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*Dates in **Purple** are holidays no collection of any kind.

Recycling Weeks Large Item Pick-Ups

NO PICK UP ON PURPLE

Days of holiday pickup will be pushed back one day for that week

GFL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE (OFF) New Years Day: 1/1/2024 Memorial Day: 5/27/2024 Independence Day: 7/4/2024 Labor Day: 9/2/2024

Thanksgiving Day: 11/28/2024 Christmas Day: 12/25/2024

YARD WASTE STICKERS

PICK UP AT THE TOWN HALL DURING BUSINESS HOURS. A FEE OF \$40 WILL BE CHARGED TO OBTAIN STICKER

Note: The Yard Waste Transfer Site will reopen April 1, 2024





Open Book and Board of Review

If you have questions regarding your property assessment, you can come to Open Book on Monday, July 15, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Tuesday, July 16, 2024 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Buchanan Town Hall to meet with Accurate Appraisal.

Open Book appointments can be made online at www.accurateassessor.com or by calling: Accurate Appraisal (920) 749 - 8098 or (800) 770 - 3927.

Board of Review will follow Open Book. You need to attend Open Book first. Board of Review will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2024 from 4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.



Second payment of property taxes is owed to the **Outagamie County** Treasurer by July 31, 2024

Annual Town Meeting

The Town meeting provides the means for Town Electors to exercise their statutory authority over governance of the Town. This opportunity for Electors to attend a meeting and propose and vote on legislation is a unique feature of town law which distinguishes Towns from Cities and Villages. The Town meeting should not be confused with a meeting of the Town Board of Supervisors, which is the Town's elected governing body. All are welcome to attend this meeting!

Tuesday, April 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Buchanan Town Hall.



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MyVote Wisconsin Website

The State of Wisconsin Website: www.myvote.wi.gov

The website, MyVote Wisconsin, is the official source for voter information. This site has been designed to be usable and accessible to all Wisconsin voters. This site provides electors the opportunity to start voter registration online, view personal voting information including registration status (active or inactive), polling place location, municipal clerk information, voting history, absentee or provisional ballot status and provides a sample ballot for an upcoming election.





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Water Bills

All water bills need to be paid to the Darboy Sanitary District, located at N398 County Road N, Appleton.

Please do not drop your water bill payment off in the drop box at the Town of Buchanan.

If you have any questions, you can contact the Darboy Sanitary District at 920-788-6048.



Spring Ditch Cleaning

Any property owner in the Town of Buchanan who has property which abuts any ditch, watercourse, or other earthen structure, as described above, shall be responsible to control activities upon and maintain the owned property in such a manner as to not cause or contribute to obstructions in the ditch, watercourse or other earthen structure which would restrict, block or prohibit the free, open and continuous flow of water through the ditch, watercourse, or other earthen structure. Per code 504-43a.

If you have any questions regarding ditch cleaning please contact Dennis Jandrey, Engineer Technician at 920-257-5844.

Signs in Right-of-Way

The Town of Buchanan Municipal Code prohibits signs and markers in highways and Town right-of-way. Section 495-8 states, "that no person shall place within the limits of any street or highway maintained by the Town, any sign, signal, marker, mark or monument unless permission is first obtained from the Town." Any item placed or maintained in violation of this code shall be subject to removal. Please be aware of this requirement with regard to signs for special events or sales (including rummage sales & campaign signs), as they may be removed by the Town. The Town may also charge violators for removal of items in right-of-way that are placed illegally.

Do I Need a Building Permit?

Are you finally getting around to that improvement project you've been talking about since you moved in? Getting a new roof? Updating the siding? Getting a new furnace or air conditioner? Anyone planning to work on a building or remodeling project, including fences and swimming pools, needs to obtain a building permit from the Town Hall prior to starting the project.

Forms can be found on our website at: https://www.townofbuchanan.org/our-community/forms

Give us a call if you are unsure if your project requires a permit. (920)-734-8599



ANNUAL ROAD CONSTRUCTION

In the coming months the Town's website will provide an outline for 2024 road projects.

When the construction season starts please go to the website for updates on project timelines, schedules and other important updates.

The following capital improvement projects are planned for 2024:

- Van Handel Dr—Saratoga to Hillside
- Van Handel Dr—Hank to Saratoga
- County Road N Design Work only
- County Road KK and State Park Road Traffic Signal (contract with Calumet County)

You may sign up for email updates for projects by emailing clerk@townofbuchanan.wi.gov with your name, address and for which project(s) you would like to receive updates.

For the County project you can contact the Highway Department at (920) 849-1434.

Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) Update

We are updating our Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) this year and we would love your feedback on our parks and recreation system.

Please visit https://

ecwrpc.mysocialpinpoint.com/ buchanancorp/town-buchanan-corp or scan the QR Code to take a survey and use our

mapping tool to share your thoughts with us.



WEIGHT RESTICTIONS

For more information:

https://www.outagamie.org/government/f-through-m/highway/weight-restriction-information



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Buchanan Town Hall N178 County Road N Appleton, WI 54915

You may also access the newsletter online at: www.townofbuchanan.org



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6 -10 Recycle Pickup 14 Plan Commission Mtg. 15 Large Item Pickup ** 20 - 24 Recycle Pickup 21 Town Board Mtg. 27 Memorial Day—Offices Closed

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