



# Buchanan Town Spirit

A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR TOWN

ISSUE NO. 16 SPRING 2018

## Town Officials

### Town Board

Mark McAndrews, Town Chairman

Karen Lawrence, Supervisor I

Dennis Reinke, Supervisor II

Chuck Kavanaugh, Supervisor III

Tom Walsh, Supervisor IV

### Town Staff

Tony Brown, Town Administrator

Cynthia Sieracki, Clerk-Treasurer

Patty McGowan, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer

Ray Mohr, Fire & Rescue Chief

Paul Hermes, Building Inspector

## April 3rd Spring Election

### Town Offices to be Elected

Town Board Supervisor #2

Town Board Supervisor #4

### County Office

County Supervisor, Districts 6, 8, & 11

County Treasurer

### School Board Members

All school districts

### Judicial

State Supreme Court Justice

### Circuit Court Judge

Districts 4, 5, & 7

### Referenda

State and County

All residents of the Town of Buchanan vote at the Town Hall located at N178 County Rd. 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, absentee ballots will be available at the Town Hall starting Monday, March 19th. For more information on elections, please contact us at (920) 734-8599 or go to <https://myvote.wi.gov/>.

### Annual Town Meeting

If you want to learn about Town operations, accomplishments in 2017 and projects planned for 2018, this is the meeting to attend.

The meeting will be:

**Tuesday, April 17th at 7:00 p.m.** at the Buchanan Town Hall.

**All are welcome to attend this meeting!**

Please don't wait until election day to **register to vote**.

If you've just moved, changed your name, or turned 18, stop in today or go to [myvote.wi.gov](https://myvote.wi.gov/)



## Outagamie County Emergency Management PUBLIC EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

*Take a few moments to help yourself!*

Type in the link below to register for emergency notifications. Please include your address and contact information to receive public safety alert messages. These messages could include emergency notices, public safety/life safety notifications, hazardous chemical emergencies that are occurring within your neighborhood. You may also select to receive weather alerts issued by the National Weather Service through this system.

<https://alerts5.athoc.com/selfservice/3949039/register>

## 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](http://www.townofbuchanan.org).



TOWN WEBSITE: [www.townofbuchanan.org](http://www.townofbuchanan.org)

## Open Burning Regulations & Permits

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.

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

### Open Burning:

1. 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.
2. There is no fee for the annual burn permit.
3. Open burning shall only be conducted on Saturdays, other than legal holidays, as defined by § 995.20, Wis. Stats., between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.



To read the full code, go to our website:

<http://townofbuchanan.org/your-government/municipal-code>

# 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 1419 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 9; June 6; July 18; August 15; September 12; and October 24.**
- **Saturdays: May 12; June 9; July 21; August 18; September 15; and October 27.**

**Appointments are required!!!** Online: [www.RecycleMoreOutagamie.org](http://www.RecycleMoreOutagamie.org), 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; 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 permanent facility for free. Brown County Hazardous Waste Facility, 2661 S. Broadway Dr., Ashwaubenon, WI. Thursdays 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm & Saturdays 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, find more information at [www.browncountyrecycling.org/hazardous-waste](http://www.browncountyrecycling.org/hazardous-waste), (920) 492-4950.

# 2018 Garbage, Recycling & Yard Waste Info

## Bulky Item & Appliance Pick-Up

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

Large bulky items and appliances that do not contain Freon will cost \$20.00 each. Small bulky items will cost \$10.00 each. Appliances containing Freon or a refrigerant will cost \$50.00 each.

## Holiday Week Pick Ups

Please note that 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 Pickup?

Recycle 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 at: <http://townofbuchanan.org/town-services/garbage--recycling/pick-up-days>

## 2018 Yard Waste Collection Weeks

During these weeks only, yard waste goes out on your normal garbage day:

- April 23–27
- May 14–18
- June 18-22
- July 16–20
- August 13–17
- September 17–21
- October 8–12
- November 5-9
- November 26-30

If your garbage or recycling is not picked up, you can call  
**ADVANCED DISPOSAL SERVICES at:**  
**1-800-279-1930**

Did you know...

## RECYCLE WEEK CALENDAR

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

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## Public Hearing Scheduled for Buchanan Comprehensive Plan Update

Work on the Town of Buchanan's Comprehensive Plan Update 2040 is nearing completion. A public hearing has been scheduled for Monday, May 14, 2018 and will be held during the Buchanan Plan Commission meeting scheduled for 7:00 p.m. A public informational meeting will be held immediately before the Plan Commission meeting. If you haven't already done so, please consider checking out the proposed comprehensive plan on the Town's webpage.

A comprehensive plan is a statement of public policy concerning the conservation and development of a community. It provides a guide to where future growth and development should occur over the next 20 years. It inventories and analyzes the Town's physical setting, natural resources, land use, demographics, transportation and community facilities. To ensure that decisions are harmonious with the overall vision of Town, local officials and others should use the plan when making land use decisions. For additional information, please contact Tony Brown, Town Administrator at (920) 734-8599 or by email at [tonyb@townofbuchanan.org](mailto:tonyb@townofbuchanan.org). Written comments can be submitted to the Town Clerk at [cynthias@townofbuchanan.org](mailto:cynthias@townofbuchanan.org), or at N178 County Rd N, Appleton, WI 54915.

### Changes proposed at County CE & Buchanan Road intersection

Outagamie County Highway Department, in partnership with the Town of Buchanan, Village of Combined Locks and local emergency responders, is studying changes at the County CE & Buchanan Road (County K) intersection.

Over the years this intersection has had a history of vehicle crashes, many that had injuries and two that involved a fatality in 2012 and 2016. Most crashes are with a vehicle attempting to cross or turn onto County CE from Buchanan Rd, where it is difficult to judge vehicle speeds and the time it takes to cross the wide county highway.

In May 2018, the Highway Department plans to close the median crossing at Buchanan Road with temporary barriers. The Highway Department will study the impacts this closure has on daily traffic routes throughout the area.

The Department is working with Fire and Rescue services to still allow an emergency crossing at Buchanan Road. The study is expected to last several months. Results of the study will help determine what other improvements are needed on nearby roadways.

The Highway Department welcomes your questions and feedback regarding the study. They can be contacted at 920-832-5673.



# STAY SAFE ON THE ROADS

A couple of months ago we talked about walking safely and the rules (statutes) in Wisconsin. The long and short of that article was as a pedestrian you have a right to use the road. When using the road you need to walk on the left and move over if there is other traffic coming toward you. In addition to the rules, there are some practical things you can do to enhance your safety. Three things you always want to do when walking are to be **Visible, Predictable and Alert.**

**Being visible** is usually a matter of clothing and accessories. Wear clothing in high contrast to your surroundings or non-natural colors. This is why you see **high-viz green, bright pink** and **blaze orange** (all good colors) used by those who walk and/or run on a regular basis. If you are going to walk in low light use active lighting such as a flashlight or headlamp. Reflectors and reflective vests only work when the light hits them at the right angle. Most times car headlamps don't reach the upper body of a runner or walker until they are only a few feet away.

**Being predictable** is a matter of walking in the same position on the road as much as possible. If you are going to walk on the edge of the pavement stay there until you need to get on the shoulder as cars approach. If you are walking on the shoulder don't step onto the pavement unless you need to go around a mailbox. Don't wander while you walk.

**Stay alert** to your surroundings. This is the same as when you are driving. Missing the car that pulled out of a driveway ahead or came around the corner can put you at risk. Not seeing the dog coming at you from the yard can too. It is easy to get lost in thought or conversation but paying attention to what is happening around you will help keep you safe.

Following the rules and using these tips can help keep you safe while walking. Hope you get out and enjoy walking in Buchanan. We want you to be safe when doing so.



## Budget Information:

Information on the Town's budget and finances can be found at:  
<http://www.townofbuchanan.org/town-services/finance-taxes/>

## 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 cheaper 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, 2018 will be an additional \$5.00 each, late penalty per Wisconsin State Statutes.*

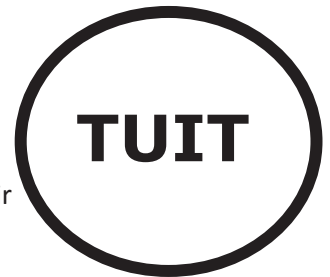
## Do I Need a Building Permit?

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

**Dog licenses must be renewed every year!**

**The rabies vaccine may last for three years but the license/registration does not.**

## Vacant Lots - No Illegal Dumping

Please do not treat vacant lots or ditches as dumping grounds. Dumping anything including grass clippings, rocks, stones or concrete, etc. in the ditches or on vacant land is prohibited.

## Noxious Weed/Lawn Maintenance

No person owning property within the Town shall be permitted to grow or pollinate upon their premises any weeds or grasses, burdock, Canada thistle, bindweed or creeping jenny, leafy spurge, bull thistle, sow thistle, wild mustard, yellow rocket, yellow dock, Russian thistle, giant foxtail, English charlock, musk thistle, velvet leaf, quack or quitchgrass, wild radish, buckhorn plantain, goatsbeard (salsify), harmful barberry, and marijuana.

In order to prevent such growth and pollination, it shall be the duty of every property owner to mow or cause to be mowed upon their premises all grasses or weeds exceeding one foot in height and in such manner as shall effectively prevent them from bearing seed or spreading to adjoining properties.



## Annual Road Paving & Maintenance

In the coming months the Town's website will provide an outline for 2018 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 2018:

- *Tamarack Drive*
- *Tamarack Circle*
- *Maplewood Court*
- *Fox River Road*
- *Widgeon Road*
- *Woodly Drive*
- *Creekview Lane\**
- *Stoney Brook Road (CTH KK to Creekview)\**
- *Clancy Lamers Road\**
- *Gerritts Drive\**
- *Speel School Road\**



*\*Denotes Surface Patching & Chip Seal*

For more information on Town services, please visit the Town website at: [www.townofbuchanan.org](http://www.townofbuchanan.org)



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7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Friday

**Website: [www.townofbuchanan.org](http://www.townofbuchanan.org)**

Questions & input regarding the *Buchanan Town Spirit* newsletter should be directed to:

**Patty McGowan, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer**  
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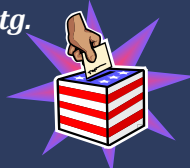
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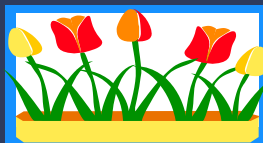
## APRIL

- 3 Spring General Election
- 9 Plan Commission Mtg.
- 9-13 Recycle Pickup
- 17 Annual Town Mtg.
- 18 Large Item Pick-Up \*\*
- 23-27 Recycle/Yard Waste
- 24 Town Board Mtg.



## MAY

- 7-11 Recycle Pickup
- 14 Plan Commission Mtg.
- 14-18 Yard Waste
- 15 Town Board Mtg.
- 16 Large Item Pick-up \*\*
- 21-25 Recycle Pickup
- 28 Memorial Day—Offices Closed



## JUNE

- 4-8 Recycle Pickup
- 11 Plan Commission Mtg.
- 18-22 Recycle/Yard Waste Pickup
- 19 Town Board Mtg.



\*\* You must first purchase a sticker for Large items