

A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR TOWN

ISSUE NO. 17 SUMMER 2018

# Town Officials

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# **Open Book & Board of Review**

If you have questions regarding your property assessment you can come to Open Book on July 10 & 11, 2018 from 12:00-7:00 pm., at the Buchanan Town Hall, to meet with the Town Assessor, Accurate Appraisal.

The law requires that the Assessor arrive at the assessment from actual or the best information obtainable. The values arrived at by the Assessor are presumed correct until proven otherwise. It is up to each property owner to find out what his/her assessment is and take action if he/she feels the assessment is inequitable. Taking action at tax time is too late!

Open Book appointments can be made online at www.accurateassessor.com or by calling:

Accurate Appraisal (920)749-8098 or 1-(800)770-3927.

Board of Review will follow Open Book, however you need to attend Open Book first. Board of Review will be held on August 15, 2018 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Reminder: Second payment of property taxes is due to the Outagamie County Treasurer by July 31, 2018.

# Are you interested in getting involved in Town Government?

There are openings for appointed positions on the Plan Commission, the Board of Review, and the Board of Adjustment.

Stop in at the Town Hall Office to complete an application.

# 2018 Garbage, Recycling & Yard Waste Info

#### **Holiday Week Pick Ups**

Please note that when your garbage day falls within the <u>week of a holiday</u>, 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: <a href="http://townofbuchanan.org/town-services/garbage--recycling/pick-up-days">http://townofbuchanan.org/town-services/garbage--recycling/pick-up-days</a>

All garbage and recycling must be inside the Town issued containers to be picked up. Any items outside of the containers or in other containers can not and will not be picked up.

#### **Bulky Item & Appliance Pick-Up**

Bulk Items must have a sticker 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 <u>on the third</u> 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.

# 2018 Yard Waste Collection Weeks

During these weeks only, yard waste goes out on Monday:

July 16–20
August 13–17
September 17—21
October 8–12
November 5-9
November 26-30
Yard waste can be placed in containers or yard waste bags.
Not with regular weekly garbage!

Your Garbage Truck driver has noticed yard waste in some of the garbage carts. This is not allowed!

Yard waste should be put out on the Monday of the week the Town has contracted for Yard Waste Collection.

## Did you know?

# RECYCLE WEEK CALENDAR

July '18							
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Recycle Collection weeks highlighted in blue.

Do not put plastic bags in recycling containers.

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



# 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: July 18; August 15; September 12; and October 24.

Saturdays: July 21; August 18; September 15; and October 27.

Appointments are required!!! Online: 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 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. & Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Find more information go to www.browncountyrecycling.org/hazardous-waste, or call (920) 492-4950.

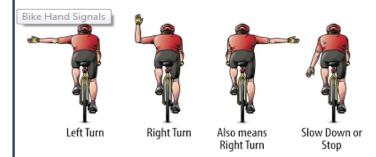
# **BIKE RIDING SAFETY**

The last few newsletters had articles about walking safety. With the arrival of Summer, biking safety should also be reviewed. Two main rules to remember:

- Bikes need to follow the same rules as motorized vehicles.
- Bikes fair best when they act as and are treated as vehicles on the road.

What do these mean in practical terms? When you are riding a bike you proceed in the same direction as all other vehicles on the right side of the road.

- Stop for stop signs
- ♦ Signal turns



• Stay as far to the right as **PRACTICABLE**.

This doesn't mean the far right edge and you are not limited to the right three feet (3'). It is as far to the right as you feel you can ride safely. When you drive a car/truck please make sure you follow the "Rules of the Road" too.

One exception to staying far right as practicable is at roundabouts. When riding a bike through a roundabout it is important to stay in the middle of the lane until you are past the islands at the exit of the roundabout. This is for the rider's safety. All vehicles will exit the roundabout by making what amounts to a right hand turn. If a bicycle is at the right side of the lane they will almost always get cut off (right hooked) by the car/truck. The only way to avoid this is by taking control of the lane and exiting in the same manner as a car/truck would.

One more thing to remember, no one learns the "Rules of the Road" until they are 15. If you are a parent, please ride properly and please teach your children the proper way to ride a bicycle. You are the example they will follow. If you ride properly, chances are they will too. One other benefit to teaching them the "Rules of the Road" is they will most likely end up being a safer driver when they become driving age.

## **Town Contact Numbers**

Ever wonder who you should call when you have a question about Town services?

Here's your answer!

Garbage and Recycling—Advanced Disposal 1-800-279-1930

Outagamie County Deputies Non-Emergency line (920) 832-5000

Water/Sewer Questions—Darboy Sanitary District (920) 788-6048

Property Value Questions—Accurate Appraisal 1-800-770-3927

Town Engineer—Cedar Corporation (920) 491-9081

or thad.majkowski@cedarcorp.com

Storm Water/Erosion—McMahon Associates (920) 751-4200

or csutter@mcmgrp.com

### **Sign Message Requests**

Looking for an unusual and FREE way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion? Town

residents are allowed to request messages for the Town Hall sign. Reservation requests will only be taken by e-mail, (clerk@townofbuchanan.org), or walk-in. Call in message requests will not be accepted. Sign changes are not completed

on Saturdays or Sundays. At least two business days notice is required of all requests.

Town office use of the sign gets the highest priority, with the Town Hall rentals requesting a sign are next.



\*Sorry but we can't guarantee your request will be honored.

There is a 24/7 drop off site for Unwanted/
Unused Medication located in the front
lobby of the Appleton Police Department.
222 S. Walnut St., Appleton
Questions, contact: Outagamie County
Solid Waste & Recycling, (920) 832-5277



#### **Buchanan Law Enforcement**

Did you know that the Town of Buchanan along with the Village of Combined Locks contracts for six full-time Deputies to exclusively serve the Town and Village?

The Town contracts with the Outagamie County Sheriff's Department to ensure there are Deputies devoted to serving the needs of our residents. You may have noticed squad cars marked for the Town of Buchanan / Combined Locks.

Deputies Brozewski, Burke, Fiegle, Janda, Lee, & Ross are available to address your law enforcement issues and concerns.

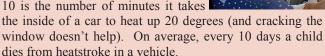
If you would like to speak directly with a Town Deputy, (nonemergency) please call the Sheriff's Department non-emergency number at 832-5000 and ask to speak with a Buchanan Deputy.



## No Child Left Inside!

Now that the dog days of summer have arrived, it is time for an important **HEAT ADVISORY!**Never leave your child or dog alone in a hot car. Not even for a quick run into the store.

According to Safe Kids Worldwide, 10 is the number of minutes it takes



Avoid heatstroke related injury or death by never leaving your child alone in a car, <u>not even for one minute</u>. And make sure the car is locked when you're not in it so kids don't go in on their own.

If you see a child alone in a car, call 911. Emergency personnel want you to call.

We hope you continue to support the local businesses that choose to advertise with the Town of Buchanan. Their business ads are printed throughout the newsletter. The Town is grateful for their support!

# **UPCOMING ELECTIONS**

#### August 14, 2018—Partisan Primary Election

Governor, U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Wisconsin State Senate District 1, and Wisconsin Assembly District 3. County offices on the ballot are Sheriff, Coroner, Clerk of Circuit Court.

#### November 6, 2018—Fall General Election

Governor, U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Wisconsin State Senate District 1, and Wisconsin Assembly District 3. County offices on the ballot are Sheriff, Coroner, Clerk of Circuit Court. A county referendum - note Resolution No. 164--2017-2018.



The website, MyVote Wisconsin or www.MyVote.WI.Gov, is the official source for voter information. This site is user friendly and accessible to all Wisconsin voters. It 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.

## Avoid the Long Lines on Election Day—Absentee Vote!

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may request to vote by absentee ballot. Whether voting in person or by mail, photo ID is required. To obtain an absentee ballot, you may chose one of the following:

- Personally come to the Town Clerk's office to cast an absentee ballot (form does not need to be filled out for in-office absentee voting) but you will need to show your photo ID. *PLEASE NOTE: In-person absentee voting is only available two weeks prior to each Election.*
- You can make a request in writing or email and we will mail you an absentee ballot. The written request must include your voting address within the Town of Buchanan, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature. You can also print the Absentee Ballot Request form. You will need to include a copy of your photo ID with your request in order for a ballot to be mailed to you. Absentee ballots <u>must</u> be received or returned by 8:00 p.m. on election day.



The Town has contracted with Advanced Disposal for collection of garbage and recycling with garbage collection every week and recycling collection every other week. You have been provided with one of each of the collection carts. All garbage and recycling must be inside **the provided carts** to be picked up.

If you, as a home owner, feel you have a need for additional carts, extra sets are available. You must come to Town Hall to complete a form. There is a fee of \$125 for the higher level of service that will be added to your annual tax bill as a Special Charge. There is a \$50 delivery fee that is due when you complete the form if you can't pick them up yourself.



# Are You Registered to Vote?

It is important to note if you have moved, recently changed your name, or are a new resident of Wisconsin, you will need to register or re-register. Please note that if you have not voted in the past four years, you may need to re-register to activate your voter status.

You may check your voter status or begin the registration process online at MyVote.Wi.Gov, in the Clerk's office, or at your polling location on Election Day.

Remember you must provide an acceptable proof of residency that has your new address or new name included on the document.

# Town Safety Day September 22nd, 2018

Buchanan Fire & Rescue will once again host our **Community Safety Day** at the Town Hall! Mark your calendars for September 22nd, 12 p.m.—3 p.m.

Come meet your Volunteer Firefighters and enjoy the bounce house, DJ, Dunk a Firefighter, fire extinguisher, cookie decorating, and other demonstrations. More information will be posted on the Town's website: www.TownofBuchanan.org, or friend Town of Buchanan Fire and Rescue on Facebook!



# **Road Paving & Maintenance**

Go to the Town's website for an outline of 2018 road projects. The website will list updates on project timelines, schedules and other important information.

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)\*
- Alison Drive\*
- Jacob Court\*
- Caitlin Way\*
- Speel School Road\*

\*Denotes Surface Patching & Chip Seal



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Office Hours:

7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - Monday - Thursday

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

Website: www.townofbuchanan.org

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

Patty McGowan, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer N178 County Rd N Appleton, WI 54915

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



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# Town Calendar

#### **JULY**

- Town Offices Closed
- 9 Plan Commission Mtg.
- 10-11 Open Book
- 16 -20 Yard Waste Collection
- 17 Town Board Mtg.
- 18 Large Item Pick-Up\*\*



## AUGUST

13 Plan Commission Mtg. 13-18 Yard Waste Collection 14 Town Board Mtg. 15 Board of Review



**SEPTEMBER** Town Offices Closed 10 Plan Commission Mtg. 17-21 Yard Waste Collection 18 Town Board Mtg. 19 Large Item Pick-up \*\* 22 Fire Dept. Safety Day



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