



Buchanan Town Spirit

A NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR TOWN

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Open Book & Board of Review

If you have questions regarding your property assessment, there will be an Open Book on Monday, July 13, 2020 from 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. or Tuesday, July 14, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. via telephone to connect with the Town Assessor, 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.**

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 and unfair. Taking action at tax time is too late!

Board of Review will follow Open Book. You need to attend Open Book first. Board of Review will be held on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 from 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Reminder: Second payment of property taxes is due to the Outagamie County Treasurer by July 31, 2020.

Annual Town Meeting

If you want to learn about Town operations, accomplishments in 2019 and projects completed in 2020, this is the meeting to attend.

Tuesday, October 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the Buchanan Town Hall.

All are welcome to attend this meeting!

2020 Garbage, Recycling & Yard Waste Info

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?

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

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 cannot and will not be picked up.

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 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.

2020 Yard Waste Collection Weeks

During these weeks only, yard waste goes out on your normal garbage day. Please use a biodegradable bag or canister with handles that can be dumped.

July 13-17

August 10-14

September 21-25

October 5-9

November 9-13

Nov 30-December 4

Your Garbage Truck driver has noticed yard waste in some of the garbage carts. This is not allowed! Yard waste should be put out the week the Town has contracted for Yard Waste Collection.

Yard Waste

RECYCLE WEEK CALENDAR

*Dates in **purple** are holidays—no collection of any kind. Weeks highlighted in blue are recycle collection.

July '20						
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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 13; June 10; July 8; August 5; September 16; October 21**
- **Saturdays: May 16; June 13; July 11; August 8; September 19; October 24**

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 and 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 Hazardous Waste Facility, 2661 S. Broadway Dr., Ashwaubenon 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 www.browncountyrecycling.org/hazardous-waste, or call (920) 492-4950.

BIKE RIDING SAFETY

With the arrival of Summer, biking safety should also be reviewed. Two main rules to remember:

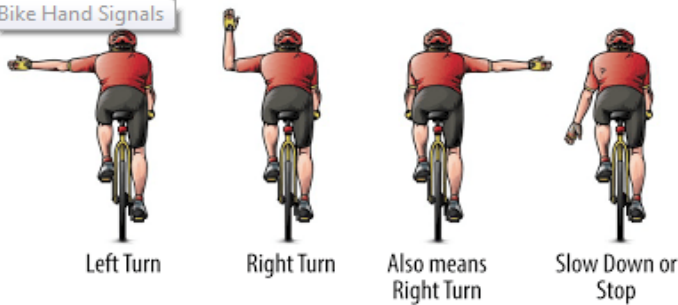
- Bikes need to follow the same rules as motorized vehicles.
- Bikes fair best when they act as and are treated as vehicles on the road.

What does this 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

Bike Hand Signals



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

Who should you call when you have a question about Town services?

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/Storm Water/Erosion—
Cedar Corporation
(920) 491-9081 or
thad.majkowski@cedarcorp.com



Sign Message Requests

Looking for a unique 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. In order to keep this service available to all residents, please limit your requests to one per month.

*Sorry but we cannot guarantee all requests will be honored.



Did you know?

As of June 15, 2020, Adam Gitter started as the new Town Administrator.

As of June 1, 2020, Nichole Nielsen started as the new Deputy Clerk/Deputy Treasurer.

Please make them feel welcome.

Free Residential Tire Disposal

Due to COVID-19, Free Tire Week has been rescheduled for July 13th & 14th, 2020 7:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Residents of the Town of Buchanan may bring up to four (4) tires, rims are OK, that are 18" or less to be disposed of for free at the Buchanan Town Hall in the rear lot.

Only tires 18" or less in diameter can be accepted. This free tire day is for residential tires only; it does not include tires for equipment, tractors, businesses, etc.

Tires larger than 18" need to be taken by the resident to the Outagamie County Landfill and they will charge \$6.00 per tire. The landfill is located at 1919 Holland Road, Appleton (920) 832-5277.



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 the inside of a car to heat up 20 degrees (and cracking the window doesn't help). On average, every 10 days a child dies from heatstroke in a vehicle.

Avoid heatstroke related injury or death by never leaving your child alone in a car, **not even for one minute**. 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!

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.

Electronics Recycling Event

Due to COVID-19, there has not been a date rescheduled for this event yet. For updates follow us on our website page www.TownofBuchanan.org or our Facebook page.

August 11, 2020 Partisan Primary Election

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

Polls will be open at the Town Hall from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Absentee ballots will be available at the Town Hall. For more information contact us at (920) 734-8599 or go to myvote.wi.gov.

Building Permits

Permits are required for the following projects, (this list is not all inclusive):

Houses, duplexes and apartments; Garages & sheds; Fences; Decks; Swimming pools; Barns and silos; Roofing, siding and windows; Interior remodeling & additions; Electrical, plumbing and HVAC changes or upgrades; Commercial buildings, interior changes to commercial buildings and signs; Demolition/razing a building or any other structure and gas and pellet stoves.

Building permit applications can be obtained at the Town Hall or downloaded from our website. The cost for a general permit can vary depending on the size of the building/remodeling project. Double fees may be charged for any project that is started without a properly issued building permit. Please allow at least a week's time for processing at the Town Hall once applied for and fees are paid. If special issues or circumstances apply, that timeline may need to be extended.

Any questions regarding the permit application process, or if your project needs a permit, please stop at the Town Hall N178 County Rd N, during normal business hours.

**PERMIT
REQUIRED**

ATTENTION: Yard Trash Changes

Contractor shall not be required to collect more than three cubic yards per collection of Yard Trash.

Brush included therewith shall not exceed four (4) inches in diameter or more than three feet in length.

Yard Trash shall be placed in sturdy paper bags suitable for containing Yard Trash or in other suitable containers, excluding the Carts and plastic bags; or if greater than four (4) inches in diameter and not placed in a suitable container.

Yard Trash shall be tied in a bundle weighing not more than fifty (50) pounds.

Please Slow Down !

One of the complaints the Town of Buchanan receives is related to speeding on our local Town roads. In particular Emons Road, Main Street, Buchanan Road and County Hwy N. The problem is that people are driving too fast; often exceeding the posted speed limit.

This is a serious problem because of the children, walkers, runners and bicyclists who all share our roads.

If we all work to slow down and drive the speed limit, we will greatly improve the safety of our roads.

Safety Day September 19th, 2020— CANCELLED

Due to COVID-19, the Buchanan Fire & Rescue will not be hosting Safety Day at the Town Hall. **The Fire Department/EMS Raffle will still take place** at a later date to be determined. Watch for more information posted on the Town's website:
www.TownofBuchanan.org
or follow the Town of Buchanan Fire and Rescue on Facebook!

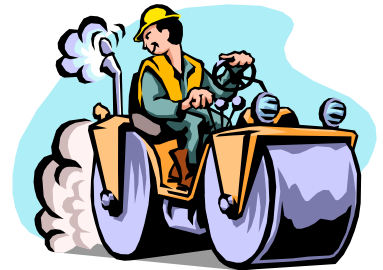


Road Paving & Maintenance

Go to the Town's website for an outline of 2020 road projects. The website will list updates on project timelines, schedules and other important information.

The following capital improvement projects are planned for 2020:

- *Cornell Court*
- *Eastowne Court*
- *Emons Road
(Eisenhower Dr to
Pinecrest Blvd)*
- *Harvard Court*
- *Kebe Court*
- *Milky Way*
- *Tree Line Court*
- *Speel School Road*





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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:

Town Administrator
N178 County Rd N
Appleton, WI 54915

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

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** You must first purchase a sticker for Large items