

April 2021 Town of Union Newsletter

! Burning Permits Update

Effective April 1, 2021 you will only be able to obtain a Burning Permit online at www.townshipfire.org

Mission Statement

Township Fire Department, Inc. is a *volunteer-driven* organization that provides effective fire suppression and services to the residents of the Towns of Seymour, Washington, Union, Pleasant Valley and Brunswick in an efficient and professional manner.

Be sure you are using best practices when burning. Obtaining a burning permit each time you burn and following burning regulations which can be found on the website listed above.

BURNING HOURS with a burning permit and wind speed of 10 miles per hour or less:

6:00 PM to Midnight – Monday through Friday

8:00 AM to Midnight – Saturday

No burning is allowed on Sundays, holidays or during closed burning periods. An adult must be in attendance of the fire until it is completely out and cold to touch.

April 6th Spring Election

Tuesday, April 6th 7:00am to 8:00pm at the Union Town Hall

Town Board positions up for election are: Town Chair, Supervisors 1 & 2 and Town Constable. These positions are two-year terms.

You can request a ballot to be sent to you by mail anytime until April 1, 2021 at 5pm. Photo ID is required to vote absentee. Requests can be made through myvote.wi.gov

In-person Absentee Voting at the Town Hall is available on March 23, 25, & 30 and April 1st during the following hours: 5:30 – 9:00 pm

Public Test: Tuesday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the Union Town Hall

2021 Summer Road Projects

Chayne Dr: Road Recondition Project

Xiong Blvd: Pavement Replacement & low area improvement

Kane Rd./CTH TT: from USHWY 312 south to W. Folsom/CTH CC -- reconstruction project

CTH T: from County Line Rd south – pavement replacement

Open Book and Board of Review

The assessment of your property is determined by the Town of Union Assessor as of January 1 each year. Questions regarding your assessment should be addressed to the assessor Roger Koski at Bomar Appraisal Inc. at 715-835-1141. Under WI State Statutes, the assessor's values are assumed to be correct until proven otherwise, which places the burden of proof on the taxpayer. If you are not satisfied with the assessment of your property, the time for you to voice your concerns is during Open Book. You do not need an appointment; just call during the hours it is held to speak to the assessor. If after reviewing your information at Open Book, you believe your property is not assessed fairly in relation to other Town of Union properties, you can file a written objection form to be heard by the formal Board of Review. Factual evidence must be presented at the hearing.

Open Book: 7-15-2021 via phone 715-835-1141 Board of Review: 7-22-2021/5-7pm

Board of Review will be held at the Union Town Hall, 1506 N. Town Hall Rd, Eau Claire, WI 54703

Park Commission

It is with heavy hearts we say goodbye one of our original Board members, Marie Vornholt. Marie passed away on Feb. 5, 2021. She was a charter member on the Park Board and helped to establish and maintain the trails in the Conservancy. Marie also helped to establish our Outdoor Recreational Use Plan and was the Commission Secretary. She will be sadly missed.

The Park Commission has an open position on our 7-member Board. The Board meets monthly at the Town Hall. Please contact Commission Chair Fred Belay at 715-271-1888

Dog Licenses

All Dogs over 5 months of age are REQUIRED to be licensed annually. Applications can be printed from our website at townofunionec.com or picked up in the office during Clerk Office hours. We have also received several complaints of dogs in neighboring yards. Per Town Ordinance 2.1-3.0135: *A dog, cat or other domestic animal shall be considered to be running at large if it is off the premises of its owner and not under the control of the owner or some other person.* Penalty for violations will apply.

Ditch Dumping

The Town Board has received many calls about garbage, cardboard and large appliances being dumped in our Town road ditches. Historically this has always been an issue but seems to be happening more. Please report any suspicious activity to the Eau Claire County Sheriff's Department at 715-839-4972. Eau Claire County Code 9.55.020 Littering: violation is \$150-500 plus court costs
Town ordinance 2.1-1.0355 Littering: violation of \$25-100.

Notice of Annual Meeting

Tuesday, April 20th, 2021 at 7:00pm

Union Town Hall
1506 N. Town Hall Rd.
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Town of Union

Jan – Dec 2020 Actual

Income

1IN-TAXES	3,882,958.13
2IN-INTER GOVERNMENT	181,492.12
3IN-LICENSES & PERMITS	20,516.00
4IN-PUBLIC SERVICE	23,961.40
5IN-OTHER REVENUE	132,604.89
6-Transfers	.00
Total Income	\$ 4,241,532.54

Expense

1-TAXES (PD)	3,341,454.56
2-GENERAL GOVERNMENT	89,375.05
3-PUBLIC SAFETY	143,748.68
4-PUBLIC WORKS	354,911.83
5-CULT & RECREATIONAL	73,036.19
9-OTHER	5,988.68
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	215.62
PAYROLL EXPENSES	\$ 95,630.40
Total Expenses	\$ 4,103,361.01
Carry Over	\$ 138,171.53



1506 North Town Hall Road
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Resident

Address

Elected Town Officials

Chairperson Jennifer Meyer
(715)456-5903
Supervisor Paul Travis
(715)456-0564
Supervisor Mona Mathews
(715)577-3908

Supervisor Jeff Bechard
(715)828-0586
Supervisor Jeff Whyte
(715)497-2558

Appointed Treasurer

John McLaughlin
(715)874-6123

Appointed Clerk

Beverly Christopherson
(715)874-6123

Driveway Permits

Chris Turner
(715)829-3737

Building Inspector

Al Balsinger
(715)577-9922

Town Constable

Russ Johnson
(715)839-9991

County Supervisor

Colleen Bates
(715)835-9813

Clerks Hours

Tues & Thurs 5:30 – 9pm
1st & 3rd Sat 8am – 12pm
Email: townofunion@wwt.net
Website: www.townofunionec.com

Park Commission Members:

Fred Belay, Jennifer Meyer, Kathy Rowland,
Kathy Alf, Tom Roach & Barb Kleist

Comprehensive Planning Commission Members:

Jennifer Meyer, Judy Bechard & Ruth Burr

