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TOWN OF EATON ANNUAL MEETING

Held in April, please watch the Town website and local businesses for posting.

NOTARY PUBLIC OFFICIALS

Please call Clerk, Dawn Konop, or Treasurer, Becky Hawbecker, for Notary Public Stamp. Free of charge.

COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL INFORMATION

The community center is available for rent to residents only. Rental fees are \$75.00 plus \$250.00 security fee for Town of Eaton residents. Rental information also available in the foyer at the Town Hall. Please contact Dawn Konop (863-2852) for availability and contracts.

2024 TOWN OF EATON REGIONAL RUMMAGE will take place on May 10th and 11th. You may pick up a submission forms at the C-Mart or Little Generals (after March 1st). You may also contact Judy at 920-680-3883 or email whirlwind111@icloud.com. Deadline to be included on the list is April 22nd.

BUILDING PERMITS

Please contact the zoning administrator for all building permits. Effective January 1, 2020, the Eaton Town Board will grant final approval of all building permits at the monthly meeting.

- Building permits include: Any new construction, homes, remodeling projects, garages, detached garages, out buildings, and decks.
- Building permit form must be completed by property owner, and must include:
 - Blue prints
 - Size and height of building
 - Details of use of building
 - Location on parcel
- Building will be inspected by Town Building Inspector for electrical, water, gray water and/or septic.
- Any violations found by the building inspector, will be subject to citation, handled by the Municipal Court.
 - Example: Water was not on the building permit and the building inspector finds plumbing.
- If the building permit form is not completed with necessary information, the building permit approval process will be tabled until the next meeting.

CULVERT/DRIVEWAY PERMITS

Please contact town officials prior to a new or expansion of any driveway (i.e. resident driveway or field driveway) as a permit is needed. The ditches are property of the town and filling in ditches are prohibited. Please see driveway permit for full specifications. No concrete or any other material that could constitute a danger to the traveling public will be permitted to be used 4' off the edge of the public roadway. Please contact a town board member with any questions.

POND PERMITS

Wisconsin Law and Town ordinances require a permit to construct or change a pond.

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NEW WEBSITE

Please see www.eatonbrowncountywi.gov for the most up to date information regarding town meetings, notices, and updates.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

The monthly meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month at the town hall. ***As of January 2024, the new monthly meeting time will be 7pm.*** Notice of the meeting changes are published on the website (www.eatonbrowncountywi.gov) and posted at the town hall. The agenda for the meetings are also posted on the website or at the Town Hall, Little Generals, and C-mart.

***IMPORTANT* TOWN RE-EVALUATION 2024/2025**

We would like to inform you about an upcoming town re-evaluation that will impact property assessments and property taxes. This will be completed in late fall 2024 and into 2025. This is being done to comply with state regulations and to ensure accurate property values. Some properties may see an increase, while others may see a decrease. The town's mill rate and the assessment ratio used to calculate the estimated fair market value on the tax bills will be adjusted based on this revaluation. We encourage residents to stay informed about this process by visiting the town website, attending monthly meetings, and reaching out with any questions.

2023 TAX COLLECTION

Brown County Treasurer's office will be mailing tax bills early December. Residents will send tax payments directly to the county. Payments received by mail will only receive receipts upon request and with a self-addressed and stamped envelope provided. The county also accepts debit/credit card/echeck payments for both real estate and personal property. The link to the treasurer office is www.co.brown.wi.us. Click on Departments, Treasurer, Online Tax Payment. No phone payments are being accepted at this time.

PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERN

Due to concerns of stray bullets and property damage or injury, the town board is asking all resident gun owners to be responsible when discharging guns. Please know the proximity of your neighbors and their property. Please keep everyone in our town safe.

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING CARTS

Please note that home owners may be responsible for charges to replace garbage and recycling carts that are damaged due to negligence. New carts are only provided for those that do not function due to normal wear and tear.

CONTROLLED BURNS

Brown County Fire Dispatch will no longer monitor controlled burns. They do not want the liability of determining if a fire is controlled or not controlled. Any fire called into the 911 center will result in a fire department being sent out to the site. Denmark Fire Dept. does not issue fire permits. It also does not permit open burning due to liability issues. If you choose to burn you must comply with all state/federal and DNR regulations. DNR website has information on opening burning; dnr.wi.gov/wisburn or call 1-888-WIS-BURN with any questions. By calling the Brown County Non-Emergency Number at 920-391-7450, you are letting us know that you are burning. We are NOT granting permission. If the fire department is called, we will determine whether or not to put out the burn/fire. Any unattended burn will be put out immediately. If we do not put out the burn/fire, we will request that a waiver be signed that releases the Denmark Fire Department of any liability.

DOG LICENSES

Annual dog licenses are available from the town treasurer (Becky Hawbecker) by mailing the current vaccination papers along with license fee. Licenses will be return via mail within 5 business days. According to Wisconsin statues all dogs over 5 months old must be licensed. The fee is \$3.50 for spayed/neutered and intact the fee is \$8.50. Kennel licenses are \$36.50. NOTE: Please notify the Town Constable of any stray animals in your area. The constable is the only person authorized by the town to bring animals to the Humane Society.

FIRST RESPONDERS

If you're interested in providing immediate medical care to others, please inquire about First Responder training. First Responders work with Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and paramedics to provide basic medical care in an emergency situation. Please contact Chairman, Jim Osterloh for more information.

FIRE NUMBERS

Please ensure the sign is placed near the driveway and is highly visible. The numbers are for your benefit and protection. The county emergency services (Police, Fire and Rescue) are all correlated for quick response. So, any time saved is very important.

SNOW AND YARD WASTE REMOVAL

As a reminder, it is illegal to move anything across the road way. This includes snow, mud, brush, and aggregate. The town will issue fines to the land owner if anything is moved across the road. For the safety of motorists, please keep the road ways clear and keep these materials on your property. If you have any questions, please contact the town board members.

ORDINANCE REGARDING SEASONAL WEIGHT LIMITS

Pursuant to town ordinance 349.16, special/seasonal weight limits will be imposed March 15th thru May 1st.

ZONING MEETINGS

Meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m., only if there are zoning issues.