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Eau Claire County, Wisconsin

Acronyms, Grants and More!

Our Federal and State Government loves acronyms! The Town of Pleasant Valley works very hard to fully understand and utilize the associated grants in as many ways as possible with the hopes of receiving the most funding possible to benefit our residents. Below are a few of the recent acronyms regarding federal and state grants and how the Town is applying for funding.

LRIP—LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS—The Town regularly applies for road funding through the State. We are excited to announce we were the recipient of a 50/50 grant for Cedar Rd between Balsam and Lowes Creek Roads. The award is \$385,000 which is approximately one-half the cost of the project. Due to additional engineering and bid requirements of the grant, the project is scheduled for 2023.

BIL—BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW— The Town is in the process of applying for three separate grants thru the BIL for sections of Cedar Rd, Balsam Rd and Maple Rd. This Federal grant has numerous deadlines and requirements. The Town has hired a consultant to assist with the process. These grants are highly competitive and available for a few years. We will continue to apply for grants during each application period. We hope to report good news to you within the next couple of years regarding an awarded project or two.

ARPA—AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT and SLFRF—STATE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS These federal funds have been directly deposited into the accounts of all municipalities within the State of Wisconsin. The Town has been awarded \$357,7568 based on population. Originally the funds were restricted to water, sewer and broadband improvement projects. The federal government has expanded the allowable projects. Currently the Town is working with Charter Communications and Tri-County Communications to expand broadband to all residents within the Town. Eau Claire County is matching these grant dollars if the funds are used to expand broadband. Two applications for additional funding were sent to the PSC—PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION. These grants will be awarded sometime this summer. Stay tuned! We hope to announce broadband is coming to you if you live in an underserved or unserved area of the Town.

Eau Claire County has allocated \$2,000,000 of their ARPA funds to small businesses and non-profit programs to assist with pandemic relief and recovery efforts. Search "Eau Claire County ARPA Recovery Assistance Grant Program" for more information.

All of these grants are highly competitive as all municipalities in Wisconsin are having to live with limited funding imposed in 2005 by our State legislature. The Town Board is doing everything possible to obtain as much funding above the allowable levy amounts so we can continue to improve our roads and services.

Plan Commission—Community Survey Participation Requested

The Town of Pleasant Valley Plan Commission along with the Town Board is working on updating the Town Comprehensive Plan. The Committee meets monthly with representatives from the Eau Claire County Planning and Development Department. Part of the update includes a community survey to help gauge resident opinion regarding various aspects of growth within the Town. Your participation will help guide the Plan Commission in updating the Comprehensive Plan. The goal is to ensure that the Plan reflects the needs, desires and values of the community. The survey can be accessed online at the below link or hard copies are available from the Town Clerk. Please stop in, call or email Jen at 715-878-4645 or townofplesantvalley@gmail.com if you would like a copy mailed to you. If you complete the paper copy, you can return it by mail or place it in the drop box located by the main entrance to the town hall. Please participate no later than June 30, 2022.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8KQVZSK



BURNING PERMITS ONLINE ONLY

Burning permits are required in the Town of Pleasant Valley.

Please visit www.townshipfire.org for more information

Effective April 1, 2021—burning permits are only issued online.

Breakfast on the Farm in Pleasant Valley—June 18th

In celebration of June Dairy Month, Nellie Holsteins located in Pleasant Valley is proud to host Breakfast on the Farm!

Saturday, June 18th. Hours: 7am –11am

Address: E169 Maple Rd, Eau Claire, WI 54701

Pancakes and Sausage will be served. All are invited.

12yrs and up =\$10 5-11 yrs old = \$5 4 and under are free!



HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

The Town of Pleasant Valley Historical Committee is looking for old historical articles, pictures and smaller items to display in the Museum. Items of interest include: the railroad, the stagecoach, one room schools, fire department, cemeteries, creamery, churches, stores, hotels, dance halls, farming, feed mill, the pickle business. We are also interested in information on local sport leagues and local clubs. i.e. 4H, Scouts, Homemakers, Lions, Snowmobile Club. If anyone has any local genealogy information, family write-ups or local cookbooks, we would welcome that sort of information too!

Original articles and pictures can be donated or can be copied so you can retain the original.

We appreciate your continued help in this project. In order to keep our small space presentable, please contact a committee member for approval of your donations.

The committee meets on the first Monday of every month at the Pleasant Valley Community Center at 1pm.

Betty Myren 715-287-4123 Sharon Hazen 715-287-4740

PLEASE DO NOT DROP ITEMS OFF AT THE MUSEUM

SUMMER LANDSCAPING PROJECTS?— KEEP THE RIGHT-OF-WAY CLEAR

Mowing and Trimming The Town has the legal right and annually does mow the road right-of-way of all town roads. As time permits; trees, low growth and brush within the road right-of-way are trimmed and/or removed. Mowing and trimming is performed for safety and visibility reasons. If you do not wish to have any mowing or trimming done on the right-of-way along your property, please make sure you keep the area clear of all trees, shrubs and brush and perform the mowing regularly.

Landscaping Please do not install items (i.e. fencing, landscaping, sprinklers, or lawn markers) within this right-of-way; the Town is not responsible for any damage that may occur to these objects. Large items in the right-of-way can present direct hazard and impede vision at intersections which can pose liability issues. The Town may remove such items at the expense of the property owner.

Tree and Shrub Planting Consider the future when you plant trees and or shrubs along the right-of-way line. As the tree grows and branches protrude into the right-of-way, the branches are then subject to being cut back to the 33' line.

Ditches Do not fill in the ditch in the road right-of-way. Ditches are designed to keep water flowing toward lower lying natural waterways and to collect snow from plowing operations. When you fill the ditch adjacent to your property disrupting the natural flow of water, this could potentially cause damage to the road base and/or direct water toward your or a neighbors home.

YOUR COOPERATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED

Animal Ordinances—Town and County

Eau Claire County has updated their animal ordinances to include the following:

<u>Backyard Poultry</u>: If you're interested in starting backyard poultry keeping under the new county ordinance, check out the below website for resources on applying for a license and keeping your backyard flock healthy. <u>chickens.echealthdepartment.org</u> <u>Licenses</u> are required for any flocks on property zoned RH.

<u>Standards for the Care of Domestic Animals:</u> These ordinances address tethering and leash compliance as well as minimum standards for shelter of domestic animals. Search Eau Claire County Code Chapter 9.05 for the regulations.

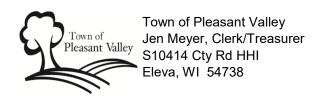
<u>The Town of Pleasant Valley</u> also has animal ordinances which address dog licensing, nuisance animals, and animals running at large. Go to: <u>Pleasantvalleywi.gov</u> under government>ordinances

All animal violations should be reported to the Eau Claire County non-emergency number at 715-839-4972.

Summer Road Projects

- -2" asphalt overlay of Cedar Rd between Lowes Creek Rd and Hwy 93
- -Total reconstruction of Cedar Rd between Balsam Rd and Lowes Creek Road delayed to 2023
- -Chip seal: Tamara Dr, Drinkman La, Butternut Rd, Strumness Rd, Stonebrook subdivision, Ridge Rd, Hickory Rd between Cty I and Hillview Rd, portions of Walnut Rd
- -Crack fill and spot spray patch—multiple roads
- -Double chip seal community center and fire station parking lots

Please be aware of work crews in these areas and choose alternate routes when possible.



Town Officials

Dan Hanson, Chairman (715)878-4847 Dan Green, Supervisor (715)878-4476 Doug Nelson, Supervisor (715)878-4918

Jen Meyer, Clerk/Treasurer (715)878-4645 or townofpleasantvalley@gmail.com

Town Shop (715)878-9461 Burning Permits and regulations: www. townshipfire.org

Town Board Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00pm in the Town Hall. Agendas are on our webpage and posted at the Town Hall.

Hadleyville Cemetery

Plots in the Hadleyville Cemetery are available to purchase for \$500 each. Prior or current residency of Pleasant Valley is a requirement.

Please call Jen at 715-878-4645 for more information.

Facility Rental

Interested in renting the pavilion or community center? Contact Jen at 715-878-4645 or our webpage for more information.

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Visit our website and you will find all valuable information including: calendars, meeting agendas and minutes, facts, notices, forms and permits, frequently asked questions, budget information and more.

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