

TOWN OF DALE

NEWSLETTER

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TOWN OF DALE CEMETERY CONTACT INFORMATION

Dale Union Cemetery

W9108 State Road 96

Contact: Phillip Schlafer 920-739-2600

South Medina Cemetery

N695 Country Rd M

Contact: Jill Rousseau 920-779-9163 or
John Kelly 920-779-6769

Pine Grove Cemetery

Pine Grove Road

Contact: Dan Zehner 920-277-4097

DALE TOWN OFFICIALS

Doug Wunderlich, Chairperson	850-8508
Darnel Laabs, 1st Supervisor	841-0800
Chad Degal, 2nd Supervisor & Fire Chief	213-5324
Jenny DeZeeuw, Clerk	224-4950
Sandy Noffke, Treasurer	851-2228
Sandy Gadamus, Constable	850-4910
Building Inspector, Tom Spierowski	836-2007 or 428-3361

ELECTIONS

The polls are open from 7:00 am – 8:00 pm at the Dale Municipal Building.

Please note the following:

- Must reside in Town of Dale 28 consecutive days prior to election.
- Proof of Residence is required to register to vote.
- A photo ID is required to receive a ballot. Bring a valid Wisconsin Driver's License or State issued photo ID to the polls. You can get a photo ID from the Division of Motor Vehicles for free.

To update voter registration, request
absentee ballots and more:

Please visit: www.myvote.wi.gov

Election updates are also posted on the Town of Dale website:

www.townofdale.org

FROM THE CHAIRMAN-

As we get closer to the end of winter, I wanted to take the chance to update you on some town items.

As many of you may have noticed, beginning last winter we partnered our equipment and part time employees with the Outagamie County Highway Department for snow removal. The investment required to effectively plow snow on a level of being able to handle roads, along with the uncertainty of snow has really limited the number of private contractors that are willing to take on municipal work. The Outagamie County Highway Department stepped up and was willing to take on our work. The Town continues to plow the village area, some subdivisions and some of the smaller, more tedious areas so that the Highway Department can use their larger equipment more efficiently. The Highway Department's equipment resources along with know-how and dedicated staff has really been a blessing to the Town. Again, we still remind residents that plowing snow across roadways is illegal. It creates hazards for all passing cars and snow removal crews. Your patience was appreciated during the period of time we had icy roads, created by a large snow fall followed by a hard cold snap that made salt ineffective.

We are currently in the process of getting bids for 2021's roadwork. We are planning to do a Grind/ Reclaim and repave on Cloverleaf Road from County T east to Midway Rd. We looked at some cheaper options for this road but after getting our engineer's input decided that this was the best investment. We will again be doing some patching on roads with low traffic volume, and are currently looking at chip sealing as many roads as our budget allows. We also will be getting pricing on some shoulder work on Spring Rd as well as the eastern section of School Rd. Again, everything will depend on where pricing comes in.

We have made an effort to try to keep our Town services at the levels that our residents are used to despite the ongoing Covid pandemic. I want

to commend our Clerk – Jen DeZeeuw and Treasurer - Sandy Noffke for their efforts throughout the past year. They have really stepped up to adapt as things have evolved throughout this pandemic. Jen and her group of poll workers managed a number of elections through very difficult circumstances without a hitch. I think in these times of political division we sometimes forget the people who are making our elections work for little pay and long hours. The burden the new absentee balloting process has put on these people cannot be overstated. I ask that the next time you vote, take a minute to thank them.

Like all municipalities, the pandemic has created some uncertainty in our revenue streams. We are probably better positioned than some others because of our low debt load. The only debt we currently have is for the new fire truck we purchased 2 years ago. In 2020 we began receiving our share of the County sale tax revenue. Our board has decided to use this money to pay off the fire truck as soon as possible, so we are making our scheduled loan payments that we budget for and paying on the principal with the sales tax revenue. This will get the loan paid off in half of the original terms.

In closing I hope everyone stays safe and gets vaccinated as soon as possible so we can all return to a more normal life. Let's get this behind us and have the biggest celebration ever this June at our Fireworks Festival.

Doug Wunderlich -Town Chairman

ATVS AND UTVS ON TOWN ROADS:

After receiving positive feedback at the 2019 Town Annual Meeting and researching nearby communities experiences, the Town Board voted to allow ATV'S and UTV"S on all town roads. The ordinance allowing this was passed in September, 2019 and signs were installed in mid – October.

The max speed limits for all ATV'S/UTV'S is 35 mph on all town roads unless posted as lower. This is similar to what neighboring communities are doing and should keep everyone safe while allowing access to our roads for these vehicles. Currently Outagamie County does not permit ATVS/UTV"S to be driven on their roads, but we have heard there have been discussions and the County Board is considering it. Also, State Road 96 and US Highway 45 do not allow ATV'S or UTV"S. The town board asks if you see anyone abusing this privilege that you please report it to a Town Board member or the Outagamie County Sheriff's Department. As you can imagine we don't anticipate the Town of Dale becoming an ATV/UTV riding destination for out of town tourists, but rather look at this as a convenience for town residents.

SUMP PUMPS:

The Town of Dale has received complaints from the Outagamie County Highway Department regarding residents that are running sump pump hoses to curb and gutter during winter months. Because the Highway Department spends resources clearing ice from roadways when overflow freezes, they have requested we notify residents of the issue.

Please move all hoses to the back of your house if you notice water pooling on the roadway. Use an acceptable location to be a good neighbor and avoid problems such as icing or water damage to property or roads. Also, it is illegal to run sump pumps to the sanitary sewer in the sanitary district.

If the problem persists it may be necessary to pass an ordinance requiring residents that discharge their sump pump into storm sewers, to directly connect to the storm sewer at the home owner's expense.

YARD CLEAN UP

Brush, yard clippings and other items must be taken to the Outagamie County Landfill, the phone number is 832-5277. Brush (and all other items) should not be dropped off at the Municipal Building.

PROPERTY TAX INFORMATION

Property Tax bills are mailed to the address on record with Outagamie County, early to mid-December. The first tax installment is **due by January 31, 2021** and can be paid at any Wolf River Bank, or can be mailed to the Town of Dale Treasurer, PO Box 83, Dale WI 54931. If mailed, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you would like a receipt.

Weather permitting, in-person Property Tax Collection Hours at the Dale Municipal Building are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-noon. **PAYMENT MUST BE BY CHECK ONLY** (no cash or no credit cards).

After January 31st, all property tax payments must be mailed to the Outagamie County Treasurer. You can also pay with a credit card at www.co.outagamie.wi.us. A fee is charged for online payments.

Copies of Property Tax Bills are available on the Outagamie County Land Information Website at:

ascent.outagamie.org/LandRecords

PARK AND HALL RENTALS

Reservations can be made by contacting the Dale Municipal Building. Please note, as of January 1st, 2017, Armitage Park is by reservation only. Forms for rentals are found on www.townofdale.org or available at the Municipal Office. Non Profits locally based MUST request permission at a Town Board Meeting prior to completing reservation. Upon approval, the rental agreement must be completed.

BUILDING PERMITS

BEFORE STARTING any building or remodeling project with a total value of \$2,000 or more, a building permit must be obtained. This amount includes cost of material and cost of labor (even if you do your own work). Permits are available from Building Inspector, Tom Spierowski at 836-2007 or 428-3361.

TOWN OF DALE MAILING ADDRESSES

Residents in the Town of Dale can have one of four mailing addresses. If you have a Post Office Box at the Dale Post Office, your mailing address will be Dale, WI 54931. The other three mailing addresses are: Fremont, WI 54940, Larsen, WI 54947 or Hortonville, WI 54944. These addresses are assigned by the post office according to mail delivery routes. **Regardless of which mailing address you have, you are still a resident of the Town of Dale and you will vote at the Dale Municipal Building**

TOWN OF DALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Cordell Schroeder, president of the Dale Historical Society is looking for volunteers and a permanent home for historical items. Cordell has numerous items that she would love to display at a permanent location for residents to enjoy. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact the Dale Municipal Building.

Do you have any pictures or newspaper clippings from the Medina/Dale area? Please call Cordell Schroeder at 716-2805. All pictures and clippings will be returned to you.

DROP BOX

Use the grey drop box located in the front of the Municipal Building for any paperwork that needs to be delivered to town officials when the office is not open.

There is a separate drop box for flag retirement. Flags put in this box are disposed of according to U.S. law. Please use this box when you replace your flag.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

N848 Industrial Drive, Dale Phone: (920) 779-6705

Food Pantry hours: Wed. Noon – 1:30 pm, 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Helping 2nd Hands hours: Wed. 10:00 am – 6:30 pm

** Donations are always appreciated **

TIRE RECYCLING

Tire Recycle Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, 2021, 8:00am – Noon at the Dale Municipal Building parking lot.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 7:00pm at the Dale Municipal Building.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Garbage is picked up weekly by Graichen Sanitation 982-4116. There are a few exceptions. Refer to your neighbors or call Graichen Sanitation if you have questions about your pickup day.

Mondays: State Road 96, most roads South of State Road 96 and roads west of Cty Hwy T.

Tuesdays: Roads North of State Road 96 and east of Cty Hwy T.

Contact Graichen Sanitation to schedule pickup if you have old appliances/large items, need a second garbage toter, your toter needs repair, or have any problems with garbage pick-up. You may also call the Town Clerk at 779-4609 if your issues are not resolved.

RECYCLING

Recycling is picked up every other week on the same day as your garbage pickup unless you live west of Hwy T. Recycle pickup west of Hwy T is every other Tuesday.

All recycling should be placed on the curb no later than 6:00 a.m. the day of pickup. If your recycling is not picked up, please contact Orion Waste Solutions at 920-759-0501.

All recyclable plastic, glass, tin, aluminum and paper can be placed curbside mixed together.

RECYCLING DATES:

2021

January 11, 12	July 12, 13
January 25, 26	July 26, 27
February 8, 9	August 9, 10
February 22, 23	August 23, 24
March 8, 9	September 6, 7
March 22, 23	September 20, 21
April 5, 6	October 4, 5
April 19, 20	October 18, 19
May 3, 4	November 1, 2
May 17, 18	November 15, 16
May 31, June 1	November 29, 30
June 14, 15	December 13, 14
June 28, 29	December 27, 28

2022

January 10, 11	July 11, 12
January 24, 25	July 25, 26
February 7, 8	August 11, 12
February 21, 22	August 25, 26
March 7, 8	September 5, 6
March 21, 22	September 19, 20
April 4, 5	October 2, 3
April 18, 19	October 17, 18
May 2, 3	October 31, Nov. 1
May 16, 17	November 14, 15
May 30, 31	November 28, 29
June 13, 14	December 12, 13
June 27, 28	December 26, 27

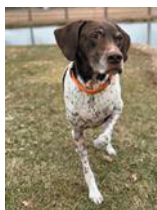
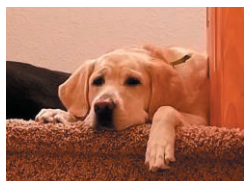
Dale Fire & Rescue

Burning Permits are not required in the Town of Dale. If you are going to burn, whether it's a big pile of brush or wood, please call the Fire Chief and/or the county @ 920-832-5000. This helps tremendously if the fire department gets called to know what we are dealing with when we are en route.

The Dale Fire & Rescue Department would also like to extend our thanks to those of you who have purchased raffle tickets throughout the last couple of years. With these funds in 2020, the Department purchased a 2020 four door pick up, with a high pressure foam system on it. This replaces our 1978 Chevy Mini Pumper. We also purchased at the same time, a 28 foot enclosed aluminum trailer that we store both of our UTV's in that we use for wild land fires.

Thanks Again!





CONSTABLE'S CORNER DOG CATCHING WITH SOCIAL MEDIA

Constable's Corner

Dog Catching with Social Media

Everyone can safely help loose or stray pets to be reunited with their owner, especially in today's world of easy access, social media. A loose dog, cat or other animal is a pending disaster or at the very least, a problem for their owner and other residents.

Recently I received a call from a young man who had been able to catch two cattle dogs that had recently been sighted and posted on Facebook. They were very friendly, medium sized dogs that he had in the yard when I arrived after dark. We put leashes on them and were able to easily get them into my Subaru. I thanked the young man. Then, since I had noticed 3 or four cats and kittens in the barn area, I took the opportunity to talk with him about the TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) program, perhaps for the barn cats. All of the sudden, in my peripheral vision, I caught movement. The young man said, "The dogs just got out of your car window!" Embarrassing? Yes, after 20 years of dog catching, I certainly know how to mess up a good thing. Luckily, we were able to get the dogs back in the car without a problem.

So, that's, "what not to do". I'll continue with, "what to do", and how you can help.

Obviously, your safety is of first and foremost concern. **If you are unsure or afraid to approach an animal, DON'T.** Based on your comfort level you could do some of the following:

- Take a picture and post it
- Call me
- Catch the pet

A simple way to help would be to snap a photo of the animal at large and post it on social media: Facebook, Craig's List, on Lost Pets of Dale or Lost Pets of Greenville, with the location and time you spotted it. That information may help the owner find their pet, myself or other animal control person to catch it.

Please call me if you are not comfortable trying to catch the dog, cat, or other animal yourself. I am here to help. A frightened, injured, or cornered animal can and will bite, scratch, or lash out and hurt you.

One method of dog catching that has worked for me is simply to open my car door and say, "Want to go for a ride?" It helps to throw a desirable and smelly treat into the car at the same time, which for the dog is a win-win situation: A car ride and a treat!! For those of you who have an immaculate car and it is not within the realm of your wildest imagination to let a muddy, smelly, hairy dog in it (my husband's car) obviously this method would not be appropriate.

To entice a scared or shy dog here are a few hints. Have a leash or rope with a loop and treats in your hands. **Remain calm. Do not chase the dog.** Kneel down on the ground, turn sideways and do not make eye contact with the dog. Eye contact is a threatening gesture in the dog world. Watch him out of the corner of your eye.

Throw out a handful of some good smelling treats or make a crinkly sound with a bag of potato chips. Then pretend you are eating them. Say something like, “yum yum”, while dropping some on the ground.

As the dog comes closer, do not make any fast moves. Offer more food and slowly slip the looped leash around his neck or attach it to his collar. If he seems friendly, and you are comfortable, put him in your car. If you can get a phone number off of a tag, call the owner. If there is a current rabies vaccination tag from a Veterinarian, you could call and get the owner’s phone number. If the dog has a current dog license tag, the owner can be traced by the number on the tag. At any point you can call me to come and pick him up. Another option is to drive him to Fox Valley Humane Association yourself.

If feasible and weather permitting, you could sit with him, tied in your front yard, where his owner will see him when he or she is driving around the area in a panic. Often, when people have done this, by the time I have gotten my shoes, and I’m in the car, the “citizen dogcatcher” is calling me back to say the owner has been reunited with their dog.

Cats.... well cats, are nearly impossible to catch, unless it’s on their terms. Live traps are the best and by far the safest way to catch a cat. I have Town owned live traps at my house for any resident to borrow. Just call me.

One more humane side note. Please do not use sticky or glue traps to get rid of rodents. The animal suffers terribly trying to free itself. Potentially it may chew off a leg to escape. If you do use them, check them often, and be prepared to kill the animal promptly and humanely. Snap traps are the most humane way to get rid of pesky rodents. The animal is killed instantly. Place them where no pets or children can access the traps.

Thank you for helping strays get back home or out of danger and for being kind to all of God’s creatures, including Homo sapiens! It’s the right thing to do.

As always call me if you have any questions or concerns about animals. We’ll work together.

Sandy Gadamus

Constable and Humane Officer

920-850-4910/Sandyjeff1980@gmail.com



DOG OWNERS GET YOUR DOG LICENSE

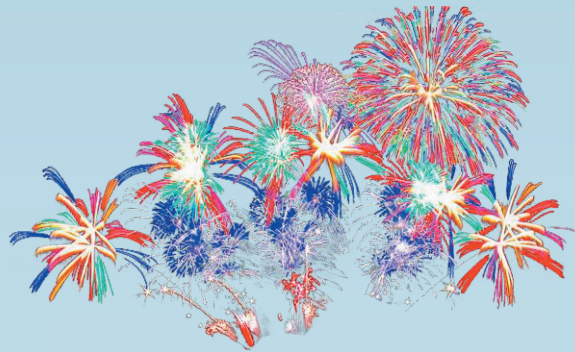
Even if your dog never leaves your property, dog licenses are required for all dogs age five months or older residing in Outagamie County. You are required to obtain the license by March 31st of each year. If you are licensing your dog for the first time or the certificate on file is expired, you must present proof of rabies vaccination (available from your veterinarian) when purchasing the license along with the proper fee. The fees for licenses are \$5.00 for spayed or neutered dogs, and \$10.00 for dogs NOT spayed or neutered.

Write a check payable to the Town of Dale. Mail the proof of rabies vaccination, check, and stamped self-addressed envelope to Town of Dale Treasurer, P.O. Box 83, Dale, WI 54931.

**** NOTE **** Payment for dog licenses must be made with a separate check from property taxes if they are being mailed together. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope to receive the license back in the mail.

THANK YOU

The Dale Community is fortunate to have gracious volunteers and generous donations that support various events throughout the year.



DALE FIREWORKS

The Dale Fire Department/Town of Dale will be hosting the Annual Fireworks show June 25th & 26th, 2021. Friday night the Fire Department will have an open house at the station, carnival rides for the kids, live music, food and raffles. Saturday, we will have a bean bag tournament, carnival rides, food, games, our big raffle and refreshments, all before our spectacular fireworks show.



2021 DALE CANCER WALK

Great appreciation goes out to those who have participated in the Dale Cancer Walk in the past. Due to CoVid 19, the 2020 walk was cancelled. We look forward to seeing everyone October 2, 2021. Look for event information late summer on the Town of Dale website. www.townofdale.org



**~VOLUNTEERS DO NOT NECESSARILY HAVE
THE TIME, THEY JUST HAVE THE HEART~**
ELIZABETH ANDREW

Town of Dale
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SNOW EMERGENCIES

During a snow emergency do not park on any roads or highways in the Town as it makes plowing difficult and slows down the removal process.

Remember: It is illegal to plow snow across the road.

DALE TRAILBLAZERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Yes, there is a local snowmobile club!

The Dale Trailblazers Snowmobile club has been in existence since 1968, we have 80 members and 45 miles of trails in the towns of Dale and Caledonia.

This year the DNR is introducing a new "TRAIL PASS REGISTRATION" system. You can find more information about this on our Facebook page or at townofdale.org/non-profit-groups.

To find out more about becoming a member contact Chad Degal at cdegal@gmail.com or 920-213-5324.

THANK YOU to all landowners who allow our trails to cross your land.

