



#### **TOWN BOARD**

Chairman: Tom Fankhauser (715-296-6258) Supervisors: Bob Slagstad (715-790-4888)

> Mark Kucko (715-236-7311) Don Putnam (715-234-4702) Dave Crotteau (715-434-4140)

#### **MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES**

PHONE: 715-234-8087

Clerk/Treasurer: Janet Tomesh

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer: Connie Kahl

Fire Inspector: Ralph Henningsen

Patrolmen: Al Shultz and Ralph Henningsen

Recycling Attendant: Carl Shultz Town Engineer: Stan Buchanan

#### **CONTRACTED SERVICES**

Bldg. Inspector: Jim Heldstab (715-220-0259)

Town Assessor: Owen Assessing LLC (Kelly & Jack)

8E571 810th Ave., Menomonie, WI 54751 email: owenassessing@centurytel.net

Phone & Fax: 715-643-2081

#### PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

Bob Slagstad, Chairman Delores Buesser, Secretary

Lorraine Barta Joyce Kringle
Mark Rogstad Pete Schneider
Paul Buesser Kurt Wallace

Ex-Officio Members: Stan Buchanan, Town Engineer and

Jim Heldstab, Building Inspector

## TOWN MEETING DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Rice Lake Town Board:

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 pm, held at the Town Municipal Bldg.

#### **Town Planning Commission:**

As needed on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7:00 pm, held at the Town Municipal Bldg.

**Town Caucus**: Will be held in January between the first and last Tuesday, per WI Stat 8.05(1). Date to be set at the December board meeting and notice will be published in the Chronotype the week prior to the caucus date. Offices up for election in 2012 include Supervisor III (Incumbent – David Crotteau) and Supervisor IV (Incumbent – Donald Putnam).

Annual Town Meeting: Tues. April 16, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2012 Election Dates:

Spring Primary (if required): Tues., February 21, 2012 Spring Election/Presidential Preference:Tues., April 3, 2012

Partisan Primary: Tues., August 14, 2012

General/Presidential Election: Tues, November 6, 2012

## IMPORTANT ELECTION CHANGES EFFECTIVE IN 2012

- Photo ID is required to be shown before you can receive a
  ballot at all future elections, except from Military electors,
  voters who are permanently abroad, and confidential electors. Photo ID is not required, but is replaced with alternative requirements, from indefinitely confined voters, and
  residents of nursing homes and care facilities who have
  ballots delivered by Special Voting Deputies.\*
- All voters must sign the poll book to obtain a ballot.
- You must reside at your address for 28 consecutive days to be eligible to vote, proof of residence is required, and voter registration cannot take place during the four days (Fri-Mon) preceding each election.
- \* For further information, please contact the clerk's office.

### TOWN OF RICE LAKE BARRON COUNTY, WI

1830 Macauley Ave.

Rice Lake, WI 54868 Phone & Fax: 715-234-8087 Email: townofrl@charter.net Website: townofricelake.com

# TOWN OF RICE LAKE BARRON COUNTY,

# ANNUAL NEWSLETTER



WISCONSIN ELECTION
LAWS WILL HAVE
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES
COMING IN 2012.
MORE INFORMATION IS
PROVIDED ON BACK.

DECEMBER, 2011

#### REMINDER - SECOND INSTALLMENTS OF REAL ESTATE TAXES ARE DUE BY JULY 31, 2012

All tax payments made after January 31, 2012 must be made payable to the Barron County Treasurer and mailed to 330 E. LaSalle Ave,. Room 2412, Barron, WI 54812.

## **Contact Information for the Barron County Treasurer:**

Yvonne Ritchie, Treasurer
Phone (715) 537-6280 Fax (715) 537-6277
Email bctreas@co.barron.wi.us

## TOWN OF RICE LAKE FIRE INSPECTION DEPARTMENT #03030

Inspector: Ralph Henningsen (Commercial Bldgs Only)
Fire Education and Safety Tips, published by the National
Fire Prevention Association (NDPA), are available on the
Town Website at townofricelake.com by clicking on the Fire
Dept. tab.

## TOWN OF RICE LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE

Members: Ray Cook, Chairman

Bob Slagstad, Secretary Tom Fankhauser Emmett Engstrom Dave Edming

Meetings are held at the Town Municipal Building, 1830 Macauley Ave., Rice Lake and are held semi-annually on the first Monday of May and December at 8:30 a.m. or on an as needed basis.



#### **SNOW NOTICE**

Please be advised that it is unlawful to plow snow from driveways across town roads.

This practice is in violation of WI Stat. 346.94 (5) and violators are subject to penalties.

<u>DID YOU KNOW</u>... A used aluminum can is recycled and back on the grocery shelf as a new can, in as little as 60 days. Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a TV for three hours, or the equivalent of a half a gallon of gasoline.

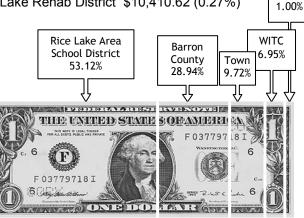
# WHERE DO YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO

Tax Levy Total for 2011 is \$3,709,979.55

# (including Lake Rehab District) prior to school tax credit

State of Wisconsin \$37,062.10 (0.96%)
Barron County \$1,073,487.87 (27.31%)
Town of Rice Lake \$360,740.00 (9.43%)
WITC \$257,723.20 (6.47%)

RL Area Schools \$1,970,555.76 (55.56%) Lake Rehab District \$10,410.62 (0.27%)





# The Town of Rice Lake requires permits and/or approval for each of the following:

- Burning Permits contact the Town Board Chairman or any Supervisor.
- Building Permits contact the Building Inspector
- Utility Excavation Permits -contact the Town Clerk
- Driveway Permits contact the Town Board Chairman, Building Inspector, or the Town Clerk
- Variances, Special Exceptions, Rezonings, & Land Divisions—contact the Planning Commission Chairman or the Town Clerk.

All contact numbers are listed in this notice under the "Who's Who in the Town" section.



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# ATTENTION DOG OWNERS

# FAILURE TO LICENSE YOUR DOG COULD RESULT IN A BARRON COUNTY FINE OF \$169 FOR FIRST TIME OFFENDERS!

In accordance with State Statute 174.05 and 95.21(2) and Barron County Ordinances, all dogs 5 months of age and older are required to be vaccinated for rabies and licensed. Dog license applications are available on the Town's website at townofricelake.com under the "Forms and Permits" tab. To obtain a license, simply submit the application, a copy of your dog's RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE and the applicable fee (\$6 for spayed/neutered or \$11 for unaltered) to the Clerk's Office. A \$6.00 late fee will be added for applications received after March 31 for all dogs owned for more than one month and older than five months in age.

<u>LANDLORDS</u>: All landlords with rental property located in the Town of Rice Lake, please pass the dog licensing requirements on to your tenants.

BARKING & ROAMING: Both the Town and the County have ordinances prohibiting dogs from running at large and/or barking excessively. Please comply with these laws by keeping your pets leashed or fenced at all times, and if necessary, use barking restraints. To report violations, contact the Barron County Humane Officer at 715-537-3106 or the Town Chairman at 715-296-6258.

## RECYCLING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY:

Our recycling center at 1830 Macauley Avenue is open on Mondays from 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. – noon. Bring in your cardboard, plastics (#1 thru #7), glass, newspapers, magazines, office paper, junk mail, cans (aluminum & tin), and scrap metal. The Town will provide each household up to two recycling containers to collect and carry your recyclables in. Watch for our white goods and electronics clean up day coming in April.