



# TOWN OF NEW DENMARK NEWSLETTER

August 2016

## Upcoming Meeting/Event Dates

- 8/29 Public Hrg: Farmland Preservation 7 pm
- 8/29 Special Mtg of Town Bd 7:30 pm
- 9/12 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 9/13 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm
- 10/10 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 10/11 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm
- 11/08 **FALL ELECTION- Presidential**  
**\*Polls Open 7 am – 8 pm**

## Deadline for Agenda Items

Anyone wishing to place an item on the Town Board Agenda will need to contact Chairman Krueger by the first Monday of the month with that request. Chairman Krueger will make the final determination as to whether a specific item will be placed on the agenda.



## November 8, 2016 : Presidential Election

**Voter Registration:** The residency requirement to vote is 28 consecutive days. An elector can no longer use a corroborating witness. Registration ends at 7 pm on the Friday before the Election Day and begins again on Election Day. **NO REGISTRATION** can occur on the Saturday, Sunday or the Monday before the election, or after 7 pm during the week.

## **Absentee Ballots:**

- All requests for Absentee ballots must be made in **WRITING** (signed and dated by the elector) and received by the Clerk no less than **FIVE** days before the scheduled election. Deadline for the November 8<sup>th</sup> Fall Election is **NOVEMBER 3, 2016**. You must be a **REGISTERED VOTER** to request an Absentee Ballot.
- Absentee voting begins the third Monday before the election and ends at 7 pm the Friday before the election. **NO IN-PERSON absentee voting can take place on Saturday, Sunday or Monday before the election.**

For more information about Voting, please visit <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> or contact Michelle Wallerius, Clerk at 920-863-5523 (or at [michwallerius@gmail.com](mailto:michwallerius@gmail.com)). Voter ID will be required for the November 8, 2016 election. The Town website also contains links to the Wisconsin Voter Registration forms and the Wisconsin Absentee Ballot Request form.

**E-Cycle Wisconsin:** All electronic equipment must be recycled. The following centers have been designated by the Wisconsin DNR as official collection sites for televisions, computers, VCRs, cell phones, cameras, MP3 players, printers, stereos, etc. For more information on what falls under this category or information about E-cycle please visit <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Ecycle/wisconsin.html>

**Best Buy** located @ 825 Pilgrim Way in Green Bay

**Brown County HHW Facility** located @ 2561 South Broadway in Green Bay

**Cyber Works** located @ 2022 E. Mason Street in Green Bay / **Goodwill Industries** (East, West and Ashwaubenon)

**Lamp Recyclers, Inc.** located @ 3055 Holmgren Way / **Milwaukee, PC** located at 1683 E. Mason Street

**Norsec Computer Recyclers** located @ 801 S. Broadway, Green Bay

**Universal Recycling Technologies** located @ 811 Main Street, De Pere

**Vintage Tech Recyclers** located @ 2965 Ramada Way, Green Bay.

# FARMLAND PRESERVATION UPDATES FOR 2016

Brown County is once again updating the Farmland Preservation Plan and maps. Any land owner in the Town of New Denmark wishing to enroll land in this program should contact Ralph Witte (the Town's Zoning Administrator) by August 25, 2016 with your parcel numbers and the criteria as to why your parcel is suitable for Exclusive Ag zoning. To meet the DATCP requirement, the Town must consider the following criteria for a parcel being considered for the program: 1) Is the area/soil suitable for agricultural production; 2) Have the lands historically been used for agricultural use; 3) Is the land in close proximity to agricultural infrastructure; 4) Does the parcel connect to other farmland parcels which will create a large uninterrupted block of exclusive ag zoning; 5) The land owner does not intend to develop the parcel within the next 15-20 years in accordance with the Town's comprehensive plan; and 6) enrollment cannot primarily be based on landowner preference, but must meet the DATCP requirements. **PUBLIC HEARING:** A public hearing will be held on **August 29, 2016 at 7 pm** at the Town Hall with Aaron Schuette, Brown County Planning Department to answer any questions about the Farmland Preservation Program and the proposed criteria.

A map of the current parcels zoned Exclusive Ag in New Denmark is available for review online at the Town website under [www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com) - Zoning Maps & Ordinances: Farmland Preservation Zoning Map 2016.

## Emerald Ash Borer



Residents in New Denmark have reported findings of the emerald ash borer in their backyard. Finding emerald ash borer early and keeping it from spreading are the best things we can do to save the ash trees in Wisconsin's forestlands and urban areas. The emerald ash borer will attack and kill every ash tree in Wisconsin if given the chance. It is crucial that we reduce our risk of emerald ash borer. Please report any suspected emerald ash borer infestations (if two or more symptoms or signs are present) to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and

Consumer Protection by calling the **Emerald Ash Borer Hotline at 1-800-462-2803** or [submit a report online](#).

### Ways to HELP slow the spread of emerald ash borer:

- when buying firewood, try to purchase wood within 10 miles of where you live and make sure the firewood is dry, with either no bark or loose bark (a sign that wood is very dry). This will reduce the chance of spreading disease;
- [follow emerald ash borer quarantine laws \[exit DNR\]](#). Never take a chance of letting emerald ash borer out of a quarantined area;
- in quarantined areas, [follow the recommendations \[PDF exit DNR\]](#) intended to slow the spread of this pest within quarantined counties;
- woodland owners can use the [ash management guidelines \[PDF\]](#) for Wisconsin. These guidelines aim to minimize the impact of emerald ash borer on our forests;
- maintain the health of yard trees by watering during times of drought. Ash trees are sensitive to drought conditions and require plenty of moisture throughout the growing season. Please note, though, that the emerald ash borer infests healthy trees too, not just stressed trees;
- be on the lookout for this pest! Be familiar with the [signs and symptoms](#) ash trees have when infested by emerald ash borer. Also, know how to identify emerald ash borer and other pests that are [look-alikes \[PDF\]](#); and

Learn more by visiting [Wisconsin's Emerald Ash Borer Information Source\[exit DNR\]](#).

**Town Board Actions:** The following are **only highlights** of actions and discussions at the monthly Town Board meetings. For detailed Minutes, please visit [www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com).

April 2016	June 2016
<p>*Kathy Janssen provides report of Br Cty Plan Commission mtg. TAP funding for MS4 mapping. R. Bretton w/ road concerns re: Podlaski. A. Rabenhorst, M. Krahn, R. Rohr &amp; J. Knuth- road issues for R. Kane Lane. K. VandenHouten re: Christensen Lane.</p> <p>* Winter Maintenance Agreement with Bielinski &amp; Brown Cty tabled for more details as to contracts.</p> <p>* Info Building permits for ND-146-2 for addition to accessory building. MC; ND-182-11 new home construction on Aspen Court. MC, ND-351-1 for accessory building. MC; ND-410-1 accessory building, MC ND-587-3 accessory building. MC. ND-423-1 for culvert permit. MC <b>Administrator Witte requests informationals be submitted 5 days in advance of Bd meeting for review.</b></p> <p>*2015 Audit overview with Schenck. Town maintains healthy fund balance, .5% sales tax refund placed in restricted account. To be used for economic development, debt reduction or reduction of taxes.</p> <p>* Denmark Volunteer Fire Dept requests installation of dry hydrant Park Rd bridge. Town to work w/ DNR. Estimated cost: \$5,000.</p> <p>* Assessor Taicher addresses non-compliance of Ag value home sites, Dept of Revenue anticipates drop in ag value which may bring these parcels back to 91.6% . Town would have 7 yrs to complete revalue or re-adjust property value. Bd of Review: 6/8/16.</p> <p>* Chairman Krueger nominates K. Brunner (3 yrs), M. Gaworek (3 yrs), W. Krueger (1 yr), K. Janssen (1 yr), M. Trepanier (1 yr), F. Rabas and D. Rosek as alternates to the Plan Commission. Approved &amp; appointed. MC; * Chairman Krueger nominates J. Rupp (2 yrs), K. Kafka (2 yrs), J. Wavrunek (1 yr), R. Giuliani and J. Watzka as alternates to Variance Committee. Approved. MC</p> <p>* Sup. Olsen states ditch on North Ave cleaned out, issue with culvert at Maribel and North. Road complaints for A. Peterson Lane, R. Kane Lane, Podlasik Lane and Paider's Lane to be addressed. Reconstruction of R. Kane Lane priority and survey to be completed.</p> <p>* Road agreement w/ Town of Eaton for maintenance of Pine Grove Rd tabled to address what sections each municipality will handle.</p> <p>* Motion by Bd to request refund of bridge fund balance from Brown County for Town to hold in designated account.</p> <p>*CSM for ND-737 approved; CSM for parcel split and zoning change for 4786 Cty Hwy R approved.</p>	<p>* K. Janssen reports on 2016/2017 TIP Program and updated progress at County level to work w/ Canadian National Railroad on improving railroad crossings throughout Brown Cty.</p> <p>*J. Davis requesting clarification as to AG-R zoning for property at 5982 Maribel Road and appropriate uses.</p> <p>* Working w/ J. VanGroll on drawings for dry hydrants at Park Rd</p> <p>*Information permit for ND-165 for accessory building, MC; ND-650 for garden shed, MC; ND-635 for accessory building, MC; ND-722-1 for accessory building, MC; ND-735-4 for accessory building on existing slab – does not meet required setback, no action taken. 5982 Maribel Rd for accessory building, original concern was use, but with clarification from property owner as to intent – Administrator Witte sees no further concerns. Approved.</p> <p>*G. Taicher states Bd of Review complete ECR and MAR filed. Clerk has filed SOA with State. Working on 2016 permits</p> <p>* Class B licenses approved for Twin Oaks Golf, Circle Tap, Basil's II, The Market, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Bar &amp; Bowl, Duck Creek Vineyard. Cigarette license approved for Sterletske/Sterletske. MC</p> <p>* Review of bids for Raze Orders for ND-18-1 &amp; ND-17-1: Bid awarded to Gauthier &amp; Sons for \$14,410 &amp; \$14,013. MC</p> <p>* Sup. Olsen states tractor in need of tires &amp; maintenance. Repairs made to uneven pavement by handicap ramp. Benchmark working on survey for R. Kane Lane, Bielinski Excavating to assist with heights and drawing of specs and bid sheet. Bid proposals reviewed for culvert repair to Langes Corners and Park. Bid awarded to Bielinski Excavating. MC Clerk to publish notice for balance of 2016 road projects.</p> <p>*Atty. Sickel to contact Railroad Commission for repair to Frontier Rd crossing by rail road track.</p> <p>*CSM for parcel split for ND-650 4822 R. Kane Lane approved. MC. CSM for ND-268 for parcel split, approved. MC</p> <p>* DNR Recycling Grant for 2017 – awarded \$4,612. Town received \$59,000 from County for Town's half of bridge fund.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>May 2016</b></p> <p>* No further discussion w/ Brown Cty on 2017 Winter Maintenance Agreement. County requesting \$70,000 for one driver for contract.</p> <p>*Paperwork submitted to DNR for dry hydrant at Park Rd.</p> <p>*Info Building Permits for ND-109 for sign replacement; MC, ND-317-2 for additional to residential home, MC; ND-390 for garden shed, MC; ND-342-6 for interior renovations. MC Ltr sent to dog owner for dogs running at large. Ltr to W. VanderKinter for removal of building damaged by fire.</p> <p>* Town will contract with Brown Cty for removal of deer carcasses. <b>Residents to contact (920) 492-4925 when pick up needed.</b></p> <p>* Highlights of Road Tour: improvement to R. Kane Lane – estimated costs \$136,00 for materials &amp; prep; Legal survey of new road bed to be created before bids can be solicited. Inquiry if recycled asphalt can be used on R. Kane Lane &amp; Podlasik. Culvert issues at Langes Corners and Park Rd to be addressed.</p> <p>*Motion to approve Pine Grove Rd agreement with Town of Eaton.</p> <p>* Ltr to Brown County for refund of bridge fund balance approved.</p> <p>* Review of cutting bids, low bid \$14 an hr approved for R. Smurawa with use of Town equipment. MC</p> <p>*Resolutions to authorize public contract to raze approved for ND-18-1 &amp; ND-17-1. Bid proposal to be reviewed 6/13/16 mtg.</p> <p>*CSM for ND-423-1 5299 North Avenue approved.</p> <p>*Motion to transfer \$4,500 from Lambeau Field tax refund to Precreation/Donation fund for Friends of Neshota donation. MC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>July 2016</b></p> <p>* G. Taicher inquires as to repair to Frontier Rd rail road crossing. Atty. Sickel to serve notice on Railroad Commission for action to be taken.</p> <p>* Informational permit for ND-731 6332 Rosecrans Rd for new home construction. MC; ND-131 for ag building. MC, ND-15 for installation of in ground swimming pool; MC</p> <p>* G. Taicher reports Board of Review filings complete. Issue with property on North Avenue as septic on neighboring property which has been annexed to Village.</p> <p>* Review of bids for 2016 road projects. Scott Construction only bidder. Awarded to Scott Construction for chip/seal &amp; wedge. MC</p> <p>*Sup. Olsen states tractor out for service. Issue with hub and tire. Grass cutting ¾ complete. Southwest portion of town still needs first cutting. Roads have been graveled and graded. Tree removed from Janssen Lane. Langes Corners culvert complete, work to begin on Park Rd culvert.</p> <p>* Draft layout of R. Kane presented. Discussion of layout of road as property lines 25 ft off to the south; Suggestion to increase bulb size of cul du sac to provided access to Knuths &amp; Kellners. CSM to be submitted to property owners for approval and dedication of land for right-of-way. Turn around to have 65 ft radius and 24 ft road, 2 ft shoulders.</p> <p>*Demo of buildings at ND-18-1 &amp; ND-17- 1 complete. Discussion of well abandonment.</p> <p>* Temporary Class B Beer license granted to G. Lacenski for 150<sup>th</sup> year celebration for Holy Trinity Church, Cty Hwy NN. MC</p> <p>* Discussion of updating landscape at Town Hall. Sup. Olsen to opposed; board tables - no action taken.</p>

## Town Board Members

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*The goal of this newsletter is to promote resident awareness and involvement in town government and community affairs.*

*If you have any criticisms, comments, requests or suggestions, please contact Michelle Wallerius at 863-5523 or at [michwallerius@gmail.com](mailto:michwallerius@gmail.com)*

The Town Board meets at **7 p.m.** on the second Monday of each month. Residents are invited to attend these public meetings and may place items on the agenda by calling the Town Chairman.

Notice of hearings and agendas are posted at the Town Hall and online at the Town website:  
[www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com) .

The **Plan Commission** will meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. as agenda items arise. The **Variance Committee** will meet as zoning issues arises. Notice of hearings will be posted & published in The Denmark News.

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