



TOWN OF NEW DENMARK NEWSLETTER MARCH 2011

Spring Election is slated for April 5, 2011

Municipal Races on the Ballot

Town Chairman: Gary T. Moore
William Krueger (i)

Town Supervisor: Francis Rabas (i)
(Vote for 2) Matthew Goetsch (i)

Treasurer: Dawn Chervenka (i)

Clerk: Michelle Wallerius (i)

Town Assessor: Gary Taicher (i)
Michael Gaworek

Constable: Steve Olsen (i)

Also on the Ballot: Supreme Court Justice (1),
Court of Appeals Judge – District III, Brown County
Executive & Denmark School Board Member (1).

Upcoming Meeting/Event Dates	
April 5, 2011	SPRING ELECTION: Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. The Town Hall is located at 5531 W Town Hall Road.
April 11, 2011 @ 7:00 pm	Town Board Meeting
April 12, 2011 @ 7:00 pm	Annual Town Meeting
April 22, 2011	EARTH DAY – Let's work together to clean-up the Town roads and ditches.

Reminder for Absentee Voting: Requests for Absentee Ballots must be made in writing and received by the Clerk on or before **5:00 pm on March 31, 2011**. If you have a question or concern about voting after this deadline, please contact me at michwallerius@gmail.com or 920.863.5523. An official Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot is available at the Town website www.townofnewdenmark.com (GAB-121) or a handwritten request signed and dated is also acceptable.

Dog Licenses: Pursuant to Wisconsin statutes, all dogs over 5 months of age must be licensed. Licenses can be purchased from the Treasurer, Dawn Chervenka. Applications are available online at the Town website or through the Treasurer. Fees for SPAYED OR NEUTERED DOGS are **\$10.00**; otherwise the license is **\$15.00**. You will need to provide the dog's name, sex, breed, whether it is spayed or neutered and the date of last **Rabies Vaccination** when applying for a license. Should you have any questions regarding a license, please contact Dawn at 920-863-6677.

2011 Earth Day - Highlights

Disposal of Expired or Unneeded Prescriptions:

Wednesday, April 20, 2011 from 10 am – 3 pm at St. Mary's Hospital. Drop off location under the canopy of the ER area with GBPD assisting with traffic flow.

Electronic Equipment can be recycled at the following

locations:

Best Buy at 825 Pilgrim Way;
Lamp Recyclers, Inc. located at 3055 Holmgren Way;
Milwaukee, PC located at 1683 E. Mason Street; &
Brown Cty HHW Facility located at 2561 S. Broadway.

Disposal of Household

Hazardous Waste: The **Brown Cty HHW Facility** also collects & disposes household cleaning products, paints/stains, chemicals, solvents, batteries, fluorescent lights, propane tanks & pesticides that *cannot* be disposed of through a landfill. There is no fee associated with the disposal of these products. For more information, please contact the Center at 920-492-4950.

Did you know Recycling keeps almost **1.7 million tons** of material out of Wisconsin landfills.

Recycling paper produces **73% less air pollution** than using virgin materials.

Recycling 1 ton of plastic saves the equivalent of **1,500 gallons of gasoline** and recycling 1 ton of aluminum saves the equivalent of **2,350 gallons of gasoline**.



Water Testing: The Town is joining efforts with the Town of Cooperstown for well water testing. The Town of Cooperstown will be hosting the event on **April 19, 2011 from 2 – 6:30 pm** and New Denmark residents are encouraged to participate. Bottles will be

distributed and collected at the Cooperstown Town Hall which is located at 11626 Hwy Z, Maribel. An individual test is available at a discounted rate which would test for bacteria (coliform & e-coli), nitrates or arsenic; or packages are available which will test for multiple parameters. If you are interested in participating in this program, please watch the Town website for details or contact Michelle Wallerius, Clerk at 920-863-5523.

Pick up your Bottles in Advance: Test Sample Bottles will be available for pick up at the New Denmark Town Hall located 5531 W. Town Hall during the Spring General Election – **Tuesday, April 5, 2011 from 7 am – 8 pm** and at the Annual Town Meeting on **Tuesday, April 12, 2011**.

Keep Recycling: The

Governor's proposal to lift a State mandate on locally run recycling programs does not mean an end to separating your paper, plastic, aluminum and glass from the trash.

Residents are still required to properly dispose of all recyclable material. Pursuant to Chapter 6 of the Town Code of Ordinances, recycling is mandated and residents who fail to comply may be subject to warning notices and/or forfeitures.

Road Projects for 2011

With Spring upon us, the Board will be conducting their annual road tour in April or early May. If you have a concern about a Town road, please contact one of the Board members with the road name and your concern so the road can be inspected.

As a reminder 24 resolutions were passed on December 27, 2010 to vacate the following roads effective **June 1, 2011**. Any questions or concerns regarding any of these roads should be directed to a Town Board member prior to the vacation.

Bittner Lane
Bries Lane
Bufka Lane
Der Hafen Lane
Echo Lane
Fairview Lane
Grandview Lane
Hettick Lane
Highland Lane
Kobes Lane
Laabs Lane
Lacenski Lane

Mazna Lane
Melnarik Lane
Michiels Lane
Mleziva Lane
O' Leary Lane
Rasmussen Lane
Schultz Lane
Selner Lane
Tilot Lane
Timm Lane
Viking Lane
Winnekens Lane

Weight Limit Restrictions (60% weight limitations) have been placed on the following Town roads effective March 15, 2011: Maribel between KB to Langes Corner Road; Irish between KB and BB; Kvitek between 96 and Cooperstown; Wanek between 96 and Cooperstown; Pine Grove between R and Game Lane/T; and Langes Corner from T to R and from R to NN. This list is not all inclusive, so please watch for additional postings on local roads.

Updated 911 Fire/House Number

You may have already seen a few updated 911 fire/house numbers within the Town or in other municipalities. These 911/house numbers are installed perpendicular to the roadway, are larger and provide better viewing and improved reflection from the road. All parcels with a structure located on it will receive this type of 911/house number this summer. Existing fire numbers and posts will be removed (unless they are physically attached to a structure, the property owner will then be responsible for removal of the sign) and an updated 911 fire/house number and post will be installed near the roadway. If you have questions or concerns about this process, you are encouraged to contact one of the Board members. The cost for this upgrade was budgeted in 2010 and residents will not incur any specials charges for these signs.



Reminder to Residents: The 2011 Garbage and Recycling Pick-up Schedules are available online at the Town website: www.townofnewdenmark.com.

Annual Town Meeting

It's time to hear from the Residents: The Annual town meeting will be held on **April 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.** This meeting gives the residents an opportunity to conduct official town business and voice their concerns on issues facing the Town. The 2010 Annual Financial Report will be available for review and can be reviewed in advance of the Annual Town Meeting at the Town website www.townofnewdenmark.com. Residents are encouraged to attend & participate in the Annual Meeting as your input regarding services and fiscal stewardship are warranted now more than ever.

Affects of Governor Walker's proposed State Budget for 2012-2013: State aids will be unaffected in 2011 but the Town can expect to see a loss of aid in 2012 & 2013 through a reduction in Shared Revenues, Highway Aids and the elimination of the recycling grant. The anticipated loss of revenue for 2012 is estimated at \$21,000. In addition, the Town is prohibited from raising the levy limit which must remain at 0% except for any increase in new construction for the next 2 years. Set forth below is a chart of the proposed reduction in State aid:

<u>State Aids</u>	2011		2012
Shared Revenues:	\$ 38,009	(24% Reduction)	\$ 28,910
Highway Aids:	\$132,397	(3% Reduction)	\$128,426
Recycling Grant:	\$ <u>7,500</u>	(Eliminated)	\$ <u>0</u>
	\$177,906		\$157,336

Sponsors for the March Newsletter . . .

RE-ELECT GARY TAICHER



ASSESSOR – TOWN OF NEW DENMARK

I have over 25 years of experience. I currently assess the Town of Red River in Kewaunee County and the Town of New Denmark. I lived in the Town for most of my life, raised on the home farm on Frontier Road, and now reside on Pine Grove road with my wife Luann. My goal is to communicate with property owners and treat them with courtesy and fairness.

I am available at 920-863-2913 or e-mail GaryLu@hughes.net. to address any questions or issues you may have.

It has been a pleasure serving the Town of New Denmark residents and hope to have your continued support.

Thank You,
Gary Taicher

Prepared and paid for by Gary Taicher

Vote Michael Gaworek as your next Town of New Denmark Assessor

I grew up in Green Bay and graduated from Preble High School; I took classes at UWGB and completed Appraisal courses at NWTC. I have an Assessor 2 Certification and am a Certified Residential Appraiser. I have been Assessing and Appraising real estate as a full time career for over 15 years and am the owner of Brown County Appraisal. I am also an alternate on the Town of New Denmark Planning Commission.

My wife Sue grew up in Maribel and graduated from Denmark High School and UW Eau-Claire in Nursing. We have three children in the Denmark School District. We have owned our land in the Town for the past ten years and reside at 4808 Denmark Road for the last three years.

Due to technology in the assessment process, **If elected, I will propose a 20% decrease in pay for my Town Assessor position.**

Technology continues to benefit the assessment process by increasing efficiency and accuracy, while at the same time lowering costs without reducing services.

Please vote for me on Tuesday April 5, 2011 as your next Town of New Denmark Assessor. Please call me with any questions at 863-5544 or email bcappraisal@centurytel.net.

Honest- Experienced- Fiscally Responsible

Paid for by Michael Gaworek for Assessor

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.

December 2010	January 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Three year contract finalized with Veolia. * Informational permit approved for B. Wegner for 28'x42' pole shed, Mischler property approved for improvement to 4712 Cty Hwy P with conditions. *The Assessor reports equalized value for Town increased slightly, but stable. * Legal briefs being drafted regarding W. Berger Complaint; Bd proceeding with vacation of Town roads with public hrg on 12/27/10. *Culverts added to Kvitek, Connor & Jensen Lane. * January Town Bd meeting changed to 1/17/11; * Trip funds submitted to State for \$10,000 reimbursement for approved road projects in 2010. * Request for refund of variance fee application for Falish denied. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Informational permits approved for American Towers for upgrade to existing tower. T. Goddard for 24'x34' shed on 5123 North Ave. * Motion to designate <u>The Denmark News</u> as official newspaper for publication of legal notices. * Poll positions previously drawn prior to mtg due to time requirement. Chairman: Gary Moore, 1st position, Bill Krueger, 2nd. Assessor: Gary Taicher, 1st position, Michael Gaworek, 2nd. * Zoning Administrator position tabled until Town of Scott finalizes interviews. * Rural Mutual has accepted legal defense of W. Berger claims for Circuit Court proceedings. *Motion to accept 2011 Winter Maintenance Agreement with Brown Cty. MC *Village of Denmark to reimburse Town for chip sealing North Avenue in 2010. *Working Land mtg set for 1-25-11 at Brown Cty Library from 6-7:30 pm
February 2011	March 2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Comment from G. Moore re: dumping of trash near N. Town Hall Rd; F. Rabas states LED sign being installed in Denmark to be located by McDonalds and feels it is better suited to be by High School. D. Chervenka inquires about lines painted on Town roads. * Zoning administrator position tabled. * Informational Permit for M. Goral for single family home on ND-60 tabled for clarification on driveway and home site from conservancy district. Informational Permit for C. Schroeder for single family home on ND-427 tabled for clarification of parcel zoning/prior existence and lot lines. *Motion to accept CSM for M. Schlies for ND-415 creating 5.03 acre parcel from existing 19 acre parcel previously grandfathered. Balance of original parcel not buildable. MC *Assessor beginning Spring field work and has installed Br. Cty assessment roll on Town computer. *Motion to accept Conditional Use Permit for NEW Organic with original conditions of permit. Vote 2-1. MC *Brief before Judge Hammer as to Berger claim. Hrg on Restraining Order set for 3-1-11. Trial regarding NEW Organics' appeal to Circuit Court set for 8-18-11. Conditions of Mishler Stipulation clarified. *Reimbursement for damage to residential mail box is the responsibility of contractor and residents to contact Bielinski or Brown Cty for reimbursement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *K. Janssen inquires how the State's proposal to eliminate grants to municipalities will affect the Town recycling program and cost to residents. *Bd opts to designate zero funds to Brown Cty Bridge Fund for 2012 as County will not match. *Motion to accept ND-427 as grandfathered buildable parcel with appropriate road frontage. MC *Information Permit for C. Schroeder for single family home on ND-427 approved. Permit for T. Downing for single family home on ND-72-1-1 Fenwick Lane approved. MC * Annual Review conducted by Virginia Hinz of Schenk. Town maintains healthy fund balance and highlights State budget impact on Town. *Assessor reports he is reviewing land sales and will look to set Board of Review at the next mtg. *Atty. Sickel states the Court ruled Eastwind Drive is an accepted legal road. Remaining two issues of parcel size and Bd's decision to deny rezoning still pending. *Motion to updated all 911 fire signs. *Weight limits to be posted on Town roads by middle of March. *No Dumping Signs to be posted near N. Town Hall Bridge to deter further dumping of waste. *Plan Commission mtg on 3/22/11 to address remaining road vacations and conditional use permit for existing gravel pits. *Annual Mtg to be held on 4/12/11 @ 7 pm *Sup. Goetsch to meet with NEW Organic to discuss provisions of conditional use permit.

Town Board Members

William J. Krueger, Chair 863-6965
Matthew Goetsch 863-3956
Francis Rabas 863-2194
Michelle Wallerius, Clerk 863-5523
Dawn Chervenka,
Treasurer 863-6677
Steve Olsen, Constable 863-8081
Gary Taicher, Assessor 863-2913
Norb Buresh,
Building Inspector 468-0487

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 an item on the agenda by calling the Town Chairman.

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 @ 863-5523 or at michwallerius@gmail.com

Posting of Notices

Notice of hearings and agendas are posted at the Town Hall, Denmark State Bank and M&I Bank. Agendas can also be found online at the Town website: www.townofnewdenmark.com.

The **Plan Commission and Variance Committee** will meet as zoning issues arise. Notice of hearings will be posted and public hearings regarding these requests will be published in The Denmark News. Effective January 17, 2011, Official Legal Notices will be published in The Denmark News.

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