

TOWN OF MENOMONIE NEWSLETTER

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SOLID WASTE/DROP OFF SITE: The cost for the solid waste site will increase next year. GFL, the company who provides our services, has increased our rates by 8% annually for the next 2 years. We have also seen an increase in the use of our roll off dumpsters for household items such as mattresses, furniture, and small lots of demolition. To maintain all services, we will be increasing the solid waste fee from \$105 per household to \$120 per household. This is a 14% increase. We are hoping this rate will cover our extra expenses for at least the next 2 years. Also, to help keep our costs down and provide better service, the amount of household items such as mattresses, furniture and small demolition lots are limited to 1 mattress set, one piece of furniture or 1 yard (approximately ½ pickup bed) of small lot of demolition per day. We have limited space and if too much is dropped off at a time it causes issues for others and is expensive if we need to call for a special pick-up. If you have large amounts of demolition or household items, you can contract with one of the local haulers for a demolition roll off, take to Seven Mile Land Fill near Eau Claire or Barron County Incinerator located by Almena. The site in Almena also takes many other items. You can find information on prices and hours on the Barron County website. We do not take light bulbs or electronics, TV's etc. There are places in Eau Claire that will take these items. See below for upcoming electronic clean sweep.

CLEAN SWEEPS: The City of Menomonie, the Town of Red Cedar and the Town of Menomonie will be having another Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep collection on September 21, 2024, and will be having an Electronics Clean Sweep on April 25, 2024, more information will be sent before each event.

UPCOMING MAJOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION FOR 2024 There will be two major impacting construction projects for 2024. 390th Street (Rudiger Road) bridge over Wilson Creek will be going through a major overhaul, replacing the entire decking. This project we are receiving a grant funding in part from the state. This project will mean 390th street will be closed at the bridge to through traffic for a few months this summer. The other major project will be 330th Street from CTH P to CTH K. This project is going to involve some engineering and redesigning of the area around the road as well. An informational meeting will be held sometime in January or February of 2024. Notices will be sent to those who live on this stretch of road along with notice on our website. This project is also being funded in part with grant monies we will be receiving. We will update our website, townofmenomonie.com, as we receive more information on the timelines of the projects.

GRANTS: We have applied for a grant for 410th St. South from 490th Avenue to CTH D (Irvington). If we receive the grant the project would be for 2025. If we get this grant this would complete the reconstruction of 410th St from CTH P to CTH D that was started in 2017.

EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Our new single axle plow/dump trunk ordered in 2022 will hopefully be delivered by January of 2024. We have ordered a new tractor and mower for delivery by May 1 of 2024. (\$124,000) This will replace our 24-year-old tractor and mower.

EQUIPMENT REPAIR: We have had several major repairs needed this year on our grader, our tandem axle truck, and our single axle truck. Our old tractor and mower, which we are replacing, has a major transmission problem.

ANIMAL CONTROL: Please keep your pets on your property. Pick up after them. **Wild and stray cats may be trapped and taken to the Humane Society.** We do not pick up dogs or cats. If you capture one, you may take it to the Humane Society stating you are from the Town of Menomonie. **The Sheriff's Department will pick up captured dogs in some cases.**

FIRE CALLS/AMBULANCE CALLS: The cost of fire protection and ambulance has increased. We are required to provide health and safety facilities for the town residents. If one has a fire call, they are responsible for the first \$500.00 and the district absorbs the rest of the costs. The town contracts for a service from the City of Menomonie Ambulance to make it available for our residents. We found out at our October annual Fire Board meeting that costs will continue to increase in the upcoming years. More information will be placed on our town website as we continue to receive more information on the nature of the increases.

BURN PERMITS: You do not need a burning permit for campfires. For brush and clean lumber, one must contact the Menomonie Fire Department non-emergency number 715.232.2414 or go on their website and obtain a permit or search for Menomonie Fire Dept Burn Permits and a form will come up allowing one to fill it in put date and time. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT ISSUE IT THERE IS A FIRE BAN.

SNOW PLOWING: Please do not plow your snow across the road. It leaves piles on the highway and fills up the shoulders causing problems for motorists if they must use the shoulder of the roadway. It causes problems for snowplowing when we must wing the snow off the road. If we must come back for removal, you will be charged for the expense.

COUNTY ZONING: We are under county zoning so before building anything contact their office or the chair to see if you need their services. Also note any building needs a permit from the town. All new driveways from town road accesses need a permit.

FIBER OPTIC: The Town should have fiber optic for anyone that wants it by the fall of 2025 either through 24-7 or Spectrum.

BOARD MEETING DATES: Normally meets the 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:00 pm. Please check our web site townofmenomonie.com or the townhall notice board. **Our annual meeting will be April 16th, 2024.**

PLAN COMMISSION DATES: The commission usually meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM but dates sometimes must be adjusted.