



Town of Fredonia News

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The Home of Flag Day

TOWN OF FREDONIA

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Open Daily 3:00 to 5:00 PM

OR BY APPOINTMENT

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Harry Michaels, Jr. 262-692-9202

Recycling Center Location
W3480 Hickory Grove Road
(at Cedar Valley Rd)

OPEN Saturdays (year round)
8:00 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.

Thursdays (April through Sept)
5:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

ROAD FACTS

The Town of Fredonia has to maintain 51.2 miles of town roads, and it's a big budget item!

The Towns Association came out with some interesting statistics about town roads in general: Crack Filling should be done every 3 years. The average time most towns do crack filling is every 16 years. A road should be sealed every 5-7 years. The average time most towns seal their roads is 31 years. Mill-Overlay is a mid-life treatment. This should be done every 20-35 years. The average time in most towns is every 63 years. And finally, there is reconstruction. This should be done every 40-70 years. Currently, the average time is 371 years!

And of course, each road is unique – and some of the variables are road width, how much base work needs to be done, and how thick the asphalt will be. The main determining factors for these variables is what the native soils are and the amount of daily traffic, trucks in particular, the road gets. Ditching, culverts and bridges are extras that could increase the construction costs.

To give you an idea of how much each of these things cost; crack filling averages \$10,000/mile; crack fill/seal coat averages \$26,500/mile; a mid-life overlay averages \$83,000/mile; and reconstruction averages \$180,000/mile. The Town Board usually passes a budget containing \$140,000 and \$150,000 each for road maintenance and for road construction or reconstruction. The board also budgets for roadside mowing, snowplowing and salting, sign repairs, and brush and tree removal along our roads. If a proposed project can't be completed within the budget available, most municipalities have several options to obtain

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Adam Hartwig Memorial Race

Be on alert for bikers on Saturday, August 3 – from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM!

Adam was an Ozaukee County Sheriff's Deputy who was taken too early in life at the age of 30. He passed away from a heart attack after a particularly stressful patrol shift. He left behind his wife, Janel, and his son, Weylan. All proceeds from the race will be donated to a scholarship fund in his honor that supports local high school students pursuing a degree in criminal justice. Last year: almost \$1000 was raised for the fund.

TOWN BUSINESSES

AUCTION HOUSE

Rambling' Rose

AUTO REPAIR

D & D Auto
Ebersold's Auto Body
Fredonia Automotive
Harrier's Auto Repair

RESTORATION

Rik Meyer

SALES

Mueller's

SALVAGE

APR Dennis Wendtland

BED & BREAKFAST

Hilltop Haven

CONSTRUCTION

Ron Lanser Masonry
Hartmann Sand & Gravel

FOOD/DRINK

Cedar Valley Cheese
Schwai's Meat & Sausage
Tony's BBQ

GAS/CONVENIENCE

Big Joe's

INSURANCE

MacGillis Agency, Inc.

MANUFACTURING

Magnetic Research & Recycling

PET SERVICES

Autumglo Pet Lodge
Fredonia Veterinary Clinic

PLUMBING & HEATING

Bublitz

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Right-Hand Man, LLC

PUBS

No Where Pub

ROAD FACTS *Continued.....*

additional funding. Special Assessments are a proportional charge assessed to the homeowners living along the road proposed for construction to subsidize the cost of the work. The municipality may also take out a loan to pay for the work. Or the municipality may do a combination of these two options. Historically, the Town has not assessed for road work, but we have taken out loans

Every year, several of the Town Board members spend a morning traveling over all of the town's roads. They rate the condition of each road on a scale of 1-10. A list showing the rating for each road is then taken back to the office, and decisions are made as to which roads need the attention, and how best to utilize the funds budgeted for roads to complete as much work as possible. The County is then informed which roads will need the work, and the kind of work involved. From there, the County takes over for us. The Town is billed when the work is done.

In an effort to complete more work annually, the town will begin working on a Capital Improvement Plan. This plan will try to forecast what work might need to be done 3, 5, or even 7 years in the future, as well as an estimated of future costs for the work. This plan is a valuable tool to help establish each year's budget for the Town. We hope to present the first draft of the plan at the annual Elector's Meeting in November of this year.

Town Meetings

Plan Commission 7:30 PM First Wednesday of the Month

Town Board 7:30 PM Second Wednesday of the Month

If you have an item you would like placed on the agenda, please notify the Clerk or Town Chairman no later than 5:00 pm on the Wednesday prior to the meeting.

OTHER UPCOMING MEETINGS:

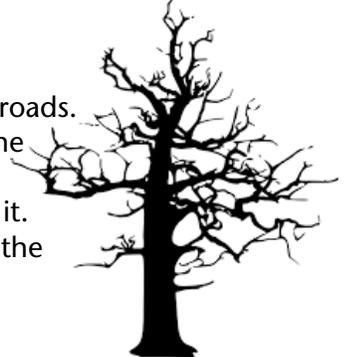
Annual Electors Meeting November 13th 7:00 PM
Includes Refreshments!

Fire Numbers...

Make sure your Fire Number is visible! If bushes or trees are covering the number, take the time to remedy the situation before winter.

and Dead Trees....

There are still quite a few dead trees lining our roads. If you have any trees near the right-of-way of the road, and a branch or the tree itself falls in the right-of-way, the County will be out to remove it. You will be billed for the damage it causes and the cost of having it removed.



Invasive Species in the Town



It seems that our Town has quite a bit of the invasive plant Wild Parsnip. The problem with it is that the sap from the plant can cause a sensitive reaction on your skin. If the juice from a broken stalk, stem or leaves gets on your skin and then is exposed to sunlight, a skin rash will result some 24-48 hours later. Symptoms range from slightly reddened

skin to large blisters. The blisters do not spread or itch, as poison ivy does, but they are uncomfortable and leave brown scars that can last from several months to 2 years.

How best to control it? If you find wild parsnip, it can be cut below ground level with a sharp shovel, which prevents resprouting. Be sure to wear long sleeves, long pants and gloves. Also, working after sunset so that exposure to sunlight doesn't occur. The plants can be pulled by hand – with gloves. If it's a fairly large population, you can use a brush-cutter just after peak bloom (end of July) and before the plant sets seed. Remove all the cut material. A few weeks later repeat the process.

For more information: <https://hort.extension.wisc.edu/articles/wild-parsnip/>

The Recycling Center

Summer hours at the recycling center continue through September, which means you can drop off stuff on Thursday evenings between 5:00-7:00 PM. Keep in mind, yard and garden waste is accepted, which includes grass clippings, leaves and garden waste. This does not include brush! The minimum fee for waste is \$3, a small trailer load is \$10, and a truck load is \$20. The yard waste cannot be in plastic bags!!

For those of you who burn leaves, please take note of the wind direction and be thoughtful to your neighbors! Permissible items to burn are untreated wood, leaves and brush. Paper and cardboard are also permissible, but we'd sure love to have those up at the Recycling Center!

HAVING TROUBLES GETTING INTO THE WEBSITE?

Some people have reported having trouble getting to the Town Website. It seems there's no good way through Google. You can get there through the Ozaukee County website (<http://www.co.ozaukee.wi.us/324/Towns>) and click on the Town of Fredonia. For some people <https://www.town.fredonia.wi.us> still works.

ATTENTION HUNTERS!

Fall always brings calls in to the office about the use of rifles for deer hunting within the Town. The Town of Fredonia follows all Wisconsin DNR laws, rules and guidelines. The Town itself does not have any specific Town statute or ordinance for hunting.

TOWN BUSINESSES

UPHOLSTERY

The Upholstery Shoppe

WEDDING & SPECIAL EVENTS

The Hilltop Haven

For more specifics on each of these businesses, check out the Town Website: www.town.fredonia.wi.us

BUSINESSES - if you would like to be listed here and on our website, please send us your information!



Add **JOY** To Your Daily Life

1. Pay as much attention to the things that are working positively in your life as you do those that are giving you trouble.
2. Rake a big pile of leaves every fall and jump in it with someone you love.
3. Memorize your favorite love poem.
4. Learn three knock-knock jokes so you will always be ready to entertain children.
5. Don't let weeds grow around your dreams.
6. Remember that everyone you meet is afraid of something, loves something, and has lost something.
7. Regardless of the situation, react with class.
8. Let some things remain mysterious.

Licenses & Permits FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

Fireworks Permits:

Please, please, please!! If you're going to shoot off fireworks, please stop in the Town Office and pick up a permit, or call and we can mail one out to you. It's an issue of safety, and especially this time of the year when things are a bit drier and we have dead leaves on the ground. The Permit is only \$10, and you can put a rain date on it. We then forward your plans to both the Ozaukee County Sheriff, and the Waubeka Fire Station.

Chicken Permits:

If you live in the Town of Fredonia but not on a farm, and have chickens, please stop in and pick up a permit. Cost is \$5, which is a one time fee. However, the permit must be renewed yearly.

Dog Licenses:

Your dogs must be licensed in the Town. This can be handled by mail. Send in:

1. Rabies vaccination certificate
2. Self-addressed, stamped return envelope
3. Check made out to: Town of Fredonia

COST:

Spayed or neutered \$5.00 each
Male or Female \$10.00 each

Building Permits:

It is important that you check with the Town Building Inspector, John Derler, before beginning any building projects. John is available to answer any questions you may have and help you resolve minor conflicts before they become major problems. Please leave an after-noon and evening phone number where you can be reached. (262) 692-2039

Hard to believe summer is in the rear-view mirror and we are approaching kids going back to school. With that being said, please be aware of the presence of school buses and children as a new school year gets underway. As we get into the fall season, please take the time to check and clear any debris away from the furnace intake and vent pipes on the outside of your home. Now is also a good time to have your furnace inspected for the upcoming heating season. A faulty or improperly working furnace can create carbon monoxide (CO) which if gone undetected, can be fatal. Signs and symptoms of CO poisoning are described as being "flu-like" and may include: dizziness, headaches, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, confusion, or loss of consciousness or death. Make sure your CO detectors are in good working order. Having your furnace serviced by a qualified technician prior to the heating season is beneficial, not only for efficiency, but for health reasons as well. If you burn wood to heat your home, having your chimney checked and cleaned by a professional is also recommended. If being outside and clearing brush and trees is your thing to do in fall, please be reminded that we (the fire department) require a 15 foot wide by 15 foot high clearance on your driveway in order to get our large equipment through and close to structures, or to gain access with our ambulance.

Just a reminder if you plan on any open burning such as large brush piles, large bon fires, etc. please notify the Waubeka Fire Department and the Ozaukee County Sheriff's Office. Doing so can help minimize or prevent unnecessary calls for service from both public entities. Also the burning of garbage, rags, rubber, wet paper or other materials producing a foul smell is prohibited.

This year's Fire Prevention Week message is "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape, Plan and Practice Your Escape". In a typical home fire, you have as little as one to two minutes to escape safely when the smoke alarm sounds. Escape planning and practice can help you and your family make the most of the time you have, giving everyone time to get out. Please have a meeting spot established so every member of your household knows where to go in the event of a home fire.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **September 3, 2019** **First Day of School**
- **October 9, 2019** **Waubeka Fire Department Fire Prevention Open House** 5 – 8pm Waubeka Fire House (Dinner/Refreshments Provided)
- **November 3, 2019** **Daylight Savings time ends.** A great time to change batteries in your smoke detectors.
- **November 10, 2019** **"Italian Night"** fundraiser at the Waubeka Fire Department
- **November 28, 2019** **Thanksgiving Day** – Be fire safe in the kitchen!

Interested in being part of a community organization? Do you like to help people? We are the place for you! Join the Waubeka Fire Department today. 262-692-2656 or email to chief@waubekafiredept.com for more information.