

The Town Crier

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Do You Know?

The people making decisions for our Town, your elected and appointed officials, bring many years of service to their positions.

Your Town Board of Supervisors (Chairman Mike Lipscomb, Barb Davies and Tony Thoma) has 39 combined years of leadership experience.

Your administrative office personnel have a total of 34 years of town government operations experience. The administrative team is comprised of Administrator Cindy Komro, Clerk Heather Krueger and Treasurer Nicole Cozzuli-Meer.

Your Town Plan Commission has a total of

104 years of decision-making experience! Currently serving in this capacity are Doug Hein, Dennis Kay, Lee Kidney, Bob Roden, Scott Schweizer, Ray Werhand and alternate Randy Wiskirchen. If you are interested in learning more about serving on the Plan Commission, please contact Chairman Mike Lipscomb. Commissioners serve for staggered two-year terms. Training is available.

Please keep in mind that the work we do and the decisions we make are thoughtfully considered as we represent each and every one of you! We are all long-time residents with interests and desires for you, our families and our future.

Wow!

FIRE NUMBER PRICE INCREASE—UPGRADE NOW!

Is your 9-1-1 fire number address sign outdated? The white tile style numbers were issued by the Town years ago, and if they are no longer reflective, they are considered noncompliant. Since 2015, the Town has been encouraging residents to upgrade to the green, flag-style numbers. Town ordinances require your fire number to be:

- Town-issued
- Reflective
- Intact, not broken or cracked
- Visible (not hidden by brush, etc.)
- Installed on a post (e.g., not on a mailbox), within 10 feet of the roadway on the right side of the driveway when facing the house

The Town's cost to purchase and install residents' 9-1-1 address signs has increased to over \$150 (sign, post, installation). For the Town to

recover some of this expense, residents will be charged \$100 for this service beginning September 1, 2025.

Noncompliant signs will be replaced by the Town and an invoice will be issued. Paying

the invoice promptly will avoid interest charges being assessed. Any unpaid fire number invoices will be added to the resident's property tax bill.

Residents are encouraged to order the green, reflective 9-1-1 address signs before September 1 to take advantage of the current \$75 cost.

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FARMS AND CLEAN WATER

Every Wisconsin farm, regardless of size, is responsible for meeting performance standards and prohibitions to prevent polluting lakes, rivers, wetlands, or groundwater. The State of Wisconsin regulates waste storage structures and manure application at large farms, such as CAFOs (Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations), under the U.S. EPA Clean Water Act's pollutant discharge permit program (known in Wisconsin as WPDES, or Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System). The extensive permitting process includes detailed plans for nutrient management, waste

storage, and runoff management. The Town of Trenton is home to a family farm with a pending WPDES permit application.

How do Town Ordinances Apply?

Town of Trenton ordinances allow farming operations in the following zoning districts: EA Exclusive Agriculture, AE Agricultural Enterprise, and, to a more limited extent, A-1 Agriculture and R-3 Rural Residential. Currently, the EA district allows, as a permitted use, livestock facilities of not more than 999 animal units, which equates to about 750 dairy cows. Farms larger than 999 animal units are allowed by conditional use in the Town's AE zoning district.

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Online Presence

The police department page of the Town's website has lots of information for residents, including contact information and links to forms such as Open Records and Property Check Requests. Residents can also find a link to the Town ordinances and UTV/ATV guidelines.

The department's Facebook page is a great source of information.

WILEAG

The police department is working on obtaining the WILEAG Core Accreditation. WILEAG (Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group) is a voluntary accreditation program for law enforcement agencies in Wisconsin, promoting professionalism and best practices by requiring compliance with

state-of-the-art standards in areas like policy, administration, operations, and support services.

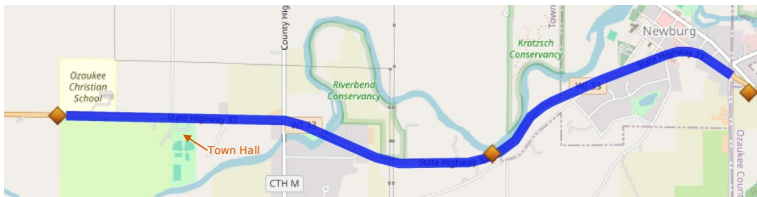
WILEAG promotes excellence in law enforcement. Accredited agencies demonstrate compliance with applicable standards covering all aspects of law enforcement administration and operations. The accreditation process takes between one and three years to complete.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION 2025

Hwy 33 Mill and Overlay

Highway 33 will be undergoing construction between the Town of Trenton and Village of Newburg (see map below). Pavement condition will be improved through resurfacing, including removal and replacement of asphalt, as well as various curb and gutter repairs. This project

will begin May 1 and is expected to be completed by July 31. Highway 33 will remain open to traffic in both directions during construction. Traffic will be shifted to one side of the road with rolling construction and flagging operations. Please exercise caution during this time and plan travel accordingly.



Town Road Work

Town road work will begin soon. Crackfilling will occur on S. Church Rd., Eastwood Trl., and Decorah Rd. Chipsealing will follow on those roads, as well as the Orchard Knoll subdivision.

Paving is scheduled for Riverview Dr., St. Au-



gustine Rd., Shady Lane Rd., Terry Jak Dr., Enge Dr., N. Wallace Lake Dr. Maple Rd., Jay St., Lincoln Dr. and S. Indian Lore Rd.

Residents affected by the road work will be notified when to expect

WATER

Water Education

Washington County is launching a water education campaign. The campaign will include educational material, a website, social media content and community workshops focused on services provided by the Washington County Natural Resources Department. Land Use representatives will be offering informational sessions to educate residents on several topics regarding water health.

The Town of Trenton will host a workshop on Wednesday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m. entitled "Understanding Your Septic System." This session will cover the basics of septic systems,

including different types and essential maintenance tips. Tips and guidance will be provided to ensure your septic system works efficiently and safely.

Well Water Testing

The Town of Trenton is interested in assisting residents with testing their wells. While residents must cover the cost of the test, the Town plans to facilitate the process of receiving the sample and transporting it to a testing facility in Mequon. The logistics of this



process are being developed and will depend on demand.

If you are interested in taking advantage of this service, please contact Town Administrator Cindy Komro.

MEALS FOR SENIORS

Are you looking for a nutritious lunch to share with other older adults? Please join the Washington County senior dining program for adults over

the age of 60. The Aging and Disability Resource Center serves lunch at the Fifth Avenue Methodist Church, 323 5th Ave., West Bend at 11:30 Monday-Friday. Reserve your spot with

Sharon at least one day in advance by calling 262.335.4499.

Home-delivered meals are also available for qualified homebound seniors. Call the ADRC at 262.335.4497 to see if

you qualify. A suggested \$5 donation per meal is appreciated but not required.



A MESSAGE FROM THE NEWBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT

Spring is almost here, which means things are about to pick up at the Newburg Fire Department. Our annual fundraiser, The Newburg Fireman's Picnic, is being held Friday-Sunday, May 30th, 31st, & June 1st. We have a lot jammed into this weekend, including live music, the return of the carnival, duck pin bowling, the kids fishing derby & of course the parade on Sunday at noon! Make sure to visit the hamburger stand, cake stand, and beer tent when you find yourself hungry and thirsty. If you are interested in sponsoring, donating, or participating in the picnic we would LOVE to hear from you. For more information about the picnic, visit our website or contact us at mail@newburgfirerescue.com.

With spring approaching, that means fire season is also here. We have already seen several controlled burns that quickly grow out of control and required emergency response. Here are some best practices for safe fire

management:

1. **Avoid burning on windy days.**
One of the most crucial steps in preventing a controlled burn from becoming out of control is to avoid burning during windy conditions.
2. **Notify the non-emergency number before burning.**
For our Washington County residents, the non-emergency number to call and notify of your planned burn(s) is: 262.335.4378.
3. **Keep a water source nearby.**
Having access to a water source, such as a hose, bucket, or fire truck, ensures that you can quickly suppress any flare-ups or unexpected fire behavior.
4. **Never leave a fire unattended.**
Unattended fires are a significant cause of wildfires. Before leaving a burn site, ensure the



fire is completely extinguished.

5. **Properly extinguish the fire.**
After the burn is complete, never assume that the fire is entirely out. Stir the ashes and douse the area with water to ensure no hot spots remain.

Feel free to contact us at mail@newburgfirerescue.com, 262.675.6262, or on our Facebook page. We will respond as soon as we are able.

We are always looking to grow our NFD family! Anyone interested in fire or emergency medical services should visit us at newburgfirerescue.com/recruitment/.

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PO Box 140, 508 Main St
Newburg, WI 53060
p 262.675.6262
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ELECTIONS

Are you interested in working at the Town of Trenton elections? To be an election inspector (poll worker), a person must:



- ✓ Be a qualified elector of the county in which the municipality is located (i.e., an adult citizen of the United States who has resided in the election district for 28 consecutive days and is not otherwise disqualified to vote).
- ✓ Be able to read and write fluently in the English language.

- ✓ NOT be a candidate for any office to be voted on at the polling place at that election.

Election inspectors do everything from check in voters, help people register to vote, check photo IDs, and process absentee ballots.

Training is required prior to election day for the job you will be doing. This is a great opportunity for high school and college students to get involved with the democratic process!

Interested individuals should contact Clerk Heather Krueger for more information.

Town Supervisor Ed Doerr retired after 30 years of dedicated service to the Town of Trenton. We wish him well!

TREASURER NOTES

The Town of Trenton no longer uses the post office box in Newburg. To avoid delays in your payment, please notify your mortgage company of the new mailing address:

Town of Trenton
1071 Highway 33
West Bend, WI 53095-8958



Also, if you have not yet renewed your dog's 2025 license, please complete and submit an application along with a current rabies certificate and payment. After April 1, a \$5 late fee applies, except for new dogs.

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VISIT US

TOWN HALL GENERAL OFFICE HOURS	MONDAY TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY	9:00 AM – 4:00 PM 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
BUILDING INSPECTOR HOURS	WEDNESDAY	3:00 – 5:00 PM

Town Hall Recycling Yard Hours:
Second Saturday 8:00AM–Noon (all year)
Fourth Thursday (March to October) 3:00–7:00PM
Accepting ONLY the following:
brush, yard waste, waste oil, batteries, metal goods, and e-waste
Other large items, including building materials (but NOT hazardous waste), can be taken to Waste Management Transfer Station, W124N9355 Boundary Rd, Menomonee Falls, or GFL Transfer Station, 803 N. River Rd., West Bend. Disposal charge is based on the weight of the items and a minimum fee applies.
Hazardous waste options are listed on the Household Clean Sweep page of the Washington County website (washcowisco.gov) or by calling 262.335.4445.