



NEWSLETTER – Spring 2017

Elections

Rules for 2017

All voters will need to provide a valid photo ID to vote. Acceptable identification includes; A valid Wisconsin Driver License, a state ID, WI-DOT issued identification card, U.S. Uniformed Military Service card, or U.S. passport book or card will be acceptable.

The photo ID will need to be unexpired and currently valid.

Wisconsin DOT is providing a FREE state ID card for voting at:

<http://wisconsin.gov/Pages/dmv/license-drivs/how-to-apply/id-card.aspx>



What's New:

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2017 Elections

Walk to Mary Pilgrimage

Comprehensive Plan Update

2017 Dog Licenses

Please visit the Town's web site for news alerts and local contact information.

www.townofscott.com

Spring Elections

General Elections – April 4, 2017

Local election races include:

*Town Board Chairman
(Vote for 1)*

*Town Supervisor
(Vote for 2)*

*Town Constable
(Vote for 2)*

Contact the Town Clerk,
John Roth if you have
questions:
(920) 406-9380

Town residents vote at the
Scott Town Hall:
2621 Jody Drive, New Franken
7 am to 8 pm

Comprehensive Plan Update – Open House / Plan Review, April 26, 2017

The Town of Scott's Comprehensive Plan is 10 years old – so it's time for an update. The Plan Commission has been reviewing and discussing updates over the past 6 months. We will be holding an open house at the Town Hall to seek public input and discuss recommendations. The open house will run from 4:00-6:00 pm. Since it is an open forum, the public is invited to attend at any time within those 2 hours. Brief presentations will be made every 30 minutes.

Scott Municipal Utility - Consolidation

Beginning this year, the Town has begun the consolidation of all of our districts and utilities. The Town of Scott is unique given its historically rural setting; we had 7 different districts or utilities. Our consolidation began with the absorption of New Franken Storm Water District into the Scott Storm Water Utility. The second step was the merger of Scott Water Utility, Scott Storm Water Utility, and Scott #1 Sanitary District. As this merger was discussed with the different sanitary district boards the remaining three districts requested that their billing and bookkeeping be transferred to the Town Hall. With those transfers complete, all billing is now being handled by the Town. By January 1, 2018 Bayshore, Royal Scott, and New Franken Sanitary Districts will also be consolidated into one unified utility – **Scott Municipal Utility**.

This consolidation will provide unified billing, and standardization of services. As this consolidation comes together we will also be conducting a study to determine a unified sewer billing rate. With the Town Hall operating as the 'one-stop shop' for all municipal services new and current residents will be able to find the help they need.

Trash & Recycling Collection

The Town contracts with Advance Disposal for rubbish and recycling collection services. They would like to remind customers of current policies.

- ~ Garbage and recycling carts should have at least 5 feet of separation between containers, allowing easier pick up of garbage carts.
- ~ Carts should be set out early the morning of the assigned pick up date.
- ~ Carts must be removed from Town ROW within 24 hours of garbage or recycling pickup.
- ~ All garbage should be properly bagged.
- ~ Advance collects with two separate trucks, one for garbage and another for recyclables.
- ~ Recyclables: please use the blue-lidded recycling cart to its fullest potential.
- ~ Do not recycle plastic grocery bags or place recyclables in plastic bags. Doing so jams the recycling machines and greatly reduces the efficiency of the recycling process.
- ~ Pick up for both garbage and recyclables is normally scheduled for Friday.

When a holiday occurs, all curbside pickup is delayed one day. 2017 the garbage/recycling delay will occur after: Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day & New Year's Day 2018.

Yard Waste Site

The Town's Yard Waste Site is located at the end of Bertrand Lane, west of CTH T. The site is open April 1st through Nov 15. Hours: **Wednesday 3:00 – 7:00 pm, Saturday & Sunday from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm.**

The Yard Waste Site accepts grass, brush, leaves, & garden waste only. It does not accept stumps and large debris. The Town does not provide curbside collection for any of these items, we ask all residents to make their own provisions for properly disposing of these items. Finnel Landscape has been contracted to process yard waste materials at the site. Wood chips & compost can be picked up when available, during regular hours. Please follow directions as posted or as provided by the attendant.

New Franken Fire Department Events

Mark your calendars for the 2017 New Franken Fire Department's Annual Smelt Fry Fundraiser will be held Friday, May 5th, serving food 11am-8pm and Saturday, May 6th, serving food 11am-2pm. The Smelt Fry is held at the New Franken Sportsman Club. Volunteers are appreciated to help clean smelt on Thursday, May 4th starting at 5 pm.

The Annual Walk/Run: To be determined. Time and date to be announced.

If you are interested in helping the Fire Department, please join the '*Friends of New Franken Fire Department*'. The *Friends* help organize fund raisers events. All funds are used for the purchase of equipment which helps reduce the demand on taxes. Interested? Find them on Facebook or contact Carolyn Tielens at (920) 660-1208.

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## **Fire Department Improvements**

In 2016 the New Franken Fire Department began and completed construction of a much needed building addition at their location at 5077 Ronsman Road. The purpose and reason for the building is for storage of fire-fighting equipment and fire trucks. The pole-style building is approximately 3,900 square feet. All three of the Towns (Town of Scott, Town of Green Bay and Town of Humboldt) shared equally in the financing of this project. The final cost of the building was just under \$200,000, a very reasonable amount considering the size and quality of the building.

The expenses were kept down due to the many donated items and the numerous hours of donated labor by the New Franken Fire Department volunteer fire fighters, commissioners, and local businesses for the construction of this building. The Town of Scott Town Board wants to thank these individuals and businesses that assisted to keep the cost of this building down. Because of this help, the three Towns were able to borrow a minimal amount for the construction of this building.

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Walk to Mary – Saturday, May 6, 2017

The annual pilgrimage walk is being planned with a "New" start place; Shrine of St. Joseph at Old St. Joseph Church on St. Norbert College Campus to the Shrine of our Lady of Good Help, in Champion. This pilgrimage walk will run thru the Town of Scott; along Bay Settlement Road, with a lunch break at Holy Cross. For safety reasons the walkers will be shuttled across Hwy 57 and resume their pilgrimage at the corner of Van Lanen Road and South Holland Road. Their walk will continue east on Van Lanen Road thru the Town of Scott. For more information and a map of the route visit their web-site: www.walktomary.com

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## **Van Lanen Road Resurfacing and Wequiock Bridge Replacement**

The Town has two major repairs scheduled for this summer. Van Lanen Road from STH 57 to CTH T will be resurfaced. Depending on the weather, this could be completed before the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The bridge crossing of Wequiock Creek on Van Lanen Road will also be replaced. This short length of Van Lanen, between Bay Settlement Road and STH 57 has had a weight limit restriction for the past several years, due to the poor condition of the existing bridge. This project will take place later in the summer or early fall, again being weather dependent. In addition to these major projects the Town also has several roads that will be patched and repaired.

## TOP 5 – Recycling questions

1. **What do I do with plastic bags?** - Plastic bags are highly recyclable, but NOT through your curbside program. The Tri-County Recycling Facility is not designed to remove plastic bags, and the bags wrap around equipment causing maintenance issues. Please take your plastic bags, wraps and other film plastics to a local retail or grocery store to be recycled.
2. **What plastics can I recycle?** All Plastic Bottles & Containers: Soda, Water & Other Drink Bottles, Food & Household Bottles, Jars and Jugs, Dairy Containers & Lids Produce, Bakery & Deli Containers. Please remember to empty and rinse all bottles and containers and to remove and discard all screw caps.
3. **Should I remove my bottle caps?** Yes! Removing your bottle caps is a good recycling habit. When caps are left on, the liquids stay in the bottle which makes it difficult for the specialized machinery to properly sort the plastic. Also, due to their small size, the plastic caps end up in our glass collection system which makes our glass less valuable to a buyer.
4. **What should I do with shredded paper?** We ask that you put shredded paper in a paper bag; staple it closed, label the bag and put it in your curbside container. This method keeps the small pieces of paper from blowing around the neighborhoods while sitting at the curb, during transportation and at the recycling facility. DO NOT use PLASTIC bags!
5. **What do I do with Styrofoam?** The Tri-County Recycling Program does **NOT** accept Styrofoam as very few markets are available. Consider a reuse option for Styrofoam, otherwise place in the trash.

