

LANARK NEWS



SPRING ELECTION FOR TOWN OFFICERS

All Town of Lanark officer positions (Chairperson, 2 Supervisors, Clerk and Treasurer) are up for election on April 3, 2007. If a primary is necessary it will be held February 20.

Anyone wishing to run for a town office should contact the Clerk for the appropriate forms that must be filed by January 2, 2007. To date, the Town Treasurer-Bill Frizzell and the Town Clerk- Loretta

Klingenberg, have filed papers noting their plans not to run for those town offices for the 2- year term beginning April 10, 2007. Duties of a Chairperson involve presiding over meetings, to see that town orders and ordinances are followed and peace and order are maintained, to solicit bids and quotes for purchases and contracts, to represent the Board at meetings, to insure that proper notices are given of all meetings, sign documents and all the duties of being a board member. All board members (Chairperson & 2 Supervisors) are in charge of town affairs, legal proceedings, may exercise village powers, pursue payment of claims and a list of various other miscellaneous powers. The Town Treasurer shall receive and disburse money, keep an itemized account of such actions, and perform all duties relating to taxation. The Town Clerk

keeps a record of the proceedings of the town board, files accounts and claims, maintains a finance record, performs duties relating to elections, publishes and posts notices, issues licenses, maintains cemetery records,



2006 TAX COLLECTION SCHEDULE & ISSUANCE OF 2007 DOG LICENSES

Property tax notices have been printed and will be mailed to property owners this week. Payment of tax bills may be accomplished by one of three methods:

- 1) Postal service. If one uses this method and wishes an official receipt, a self-addressed stamped envelope should be included with the tax payment.
- 2) International Bank of Amherst tax collection dates are Tuesday, December 26 and Thursday, January 25 with the hours of 9-3.
- 3) Treasurer's home (green house on south side of road), 10067 Cty. Rd. D - 1 mile east of the junction of Cty. A & D. Hours of collection are 8 am to 5 pm on December 29 & 30 and January 27, 30 & 31.

In addition to the payment of the taxes, the Town suggests payment of the 2007 dog licenses with the same visit. Payment can be made by adding the license fee to the check that is used to pay the property tax.

A dog license should be worn by the dog as each year calls are received from owners whose dog has gotten loose or on strays found by a resident. Payments for dog tags through the mail should include a self-addressed stamped envelope for an immediate turnaround of the tags. The fees for dog licenses are \$16 a dog for male or female dogs that are not neutered or spayed. The fee for a neutered or spayed dog is \$6 per dog. If a taxpayer has a question or concern about the procedures for tax payments, please call me at 824-3780.

Thank you, Bill Frizzell, Treasurer.

The Town Officers are expected to attend educational meetings, receive Board of Review training, and meet any other special training requirements. Computer skills will be necessary for the Clerk and Treasurer. Office hours will be set at the new Town Hall.

NOTABLE NEWS

WINTER ROAD PROJECTS

LANARK ELECTION RESULTS

for November 7, 2006
636 voters

Governor:
Doyle: 342 Green: 274 Eisman: 14

Attorney General:
Falk: 305 Van Hollen: 308

Secretary of State:
La Follette:336 Sullivan:244 Forest: 32

State Treasurer:
Sass: 310 Voight: 255 Peterson: 15
Sephus: 12

U. S. Senator:
Kohl: 412 Lorge: 190 Vogeler: 16
Glatzel: 9

Representative in Congress:
Obey: 371 Reid: 221 Miles: 27

Representative to the Assembly:
Moleske: 369 Jensen: 233

Referendum on Marriage:
Yes: 361 No: 272

Referendum on Death Penalty:
Yes: 314 No: 259

Only contested County Race was for
County Sheriff:
Charewicz: 392 Martin: 98

Thanks to all residents for being patient as the new regulations take a little more time to register voters. If you get a chance, thank your poll workers for a job well done.

SALE OF OLD TOWN HALL

The old town hall on County A was sold for \$15,500 to the neighbors, Bill and Chris McKee. Their plans are to preserve the existing architectural nature of the building while using it for an art workshop and storage.



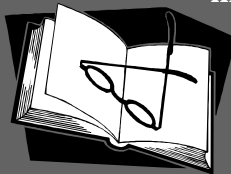
WOOD PILE FOR SALE AT TOWN GARAGE

Anyone interested in purchasing **all** the wood (oak, maple & pine) in the pile north of the town garage may submit a sealed bid to the Clerk by December 22, 2006. The highest bidder must remove all wood as soon as possible or by February 1, 2007. No

Town employees are busy cutting trees while there is a lack of snow cover. Work has been done on Badger Drive in preparation for grinding and repaving the last section in 2007. Various other areas will have select trees cut to improve safety or to remove hazardous dead trees. Please observe any men working signs and slow down when passing through a work zone.

Snowplowing season brings problems of garbage carts left along roadsides. Please move carts after garbage pickup so they are at least 12 feet from the road for adequate space for the truck plow wings. **Residents are also reminded that snow may not be pushed, blown or deposited onto public roadways.**

Did you know? In looking at some of the old poll lists of the Town of Lanark one would discover that many addresses list Sheridan as the post office. Located just beyond the border of Lanark to the northeast in the Town of Farmington, Waupaca County, is the once vital town of Sheridan. Established in January, 1865, this town was settled primarily as a station stop for the Wisconsin Central Railroad. Originally named "Sessions Prairie", it was changed to Sheridan in honor of Civil War General Philip H. Sheridan, a famous cavalry leader and Indian fighter. Four potato warehouses



were once located here, filling 430 rail cars to New York in 1889. U.S. 10 was relocated south of Sheridan in 1968 and now only local traffic passes through this area. The "Sessions" name can be traced back to pioneer E.C. Sessions who was part of a backwoods excursion which resulted in the founding of the settlement of Waupaca. In June, 1849, he and four others from a Vermont colony in Sheboygan County headed on foot for the Indian lands for which the U.S. Government had signed a treaty in October of 1848. Following the Fond du Lac Road west, then north through the forest on the east side of Lake Winnebago they eventually came to the present site of the village of Weyauwega. Hearing of a land of promise farther upstream they traveled to the present site of Waupaca where they surveyed and staked out claims. E.C. Sessions later built a home - three forties of which were the original village of Waupaca - and Joseph & William Hibbard from the original party also made the area



GARBAGE AND RECYCLING NEWS

Attached to this issue is the latest brochure on recycling information. Please read carefully and retain for future reference.

New in 2007: #2 plastic cups, pails and tubs are not recyclable! Please remember **not** to place recyclables in plastic bags for pickup. Are you tossing recyclables in your garbage? Only those recyclables soiled with food or animal wastes can be placed in the trash. **RECYCLING IS REQUIRED IN WISCONSIN!**

Please do not leave appliances or other large items out for pickup without contacting Wittenberg Disposal at 1-888-804-8556 or without proper payment.

EMT AWARD TO LANARK RESIDENT!

Congratulations to Hazel Packer of Valley View Rd. who was awarded the Amherst Area EMT Outstanding Person for 2006!

911 CALL DELAY

Residents are reminded that if you call 911 for an emergency expect a **7 second period of silence** as the computer uses your phone number to locate your name & address. **Do not hang up!** You will then hear it ring and a dispatcher will then come on the phone and talk to you about your emergency.

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HUMANE SOCIETY NEW LOCATION IN PLOVER

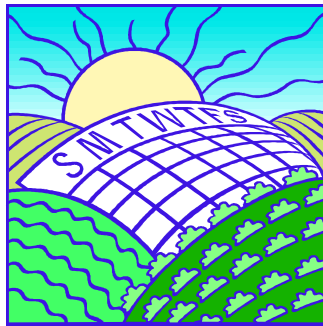
The new facility for the Humane Society will be located across from Jay-Mar in Plover at the end of Iber Lane. The phone number will remain the same: 344-6012, but will be automated with options to best direct your call. Hours of noon to 6pm on Monday-Saturday also remain the same.

The state-of-the-art shelter will offer educational programs, a surgical room with opportunities to teach procedures, and animal separation units.

The facility was built with half of it dedicated to the humane program run in conjunction with Portage County. It will handle strays, quarantines, isolations and bite cases. Licenses will also be offered at the location starting January 1, 2007.

An open house will be held so resi-

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



DATES and ITEMS TO REMEMBER

Town Board Meetings: usually the second Tuesday of the month with agendas posted at the bulletin boards at the Town Hall, Corner of Clinton Rd. & Spring Creek Rd. and Badger Cemetery. The Stevens Point Journal is the official newspaper.

January 31: real-estate taxes due to the Town Treasurer (remember that the second payment in July is paid to the County Treasurer)

February 20: Primary Election

April 3: Spring Election

Construction: most projects require a county zoning permit. New home construction and additions or alterations to any home built after June 1, 1980 will need to apply for a building inspection permit - forms will be given after the zoning permit is issued.

Fire/House Numbers: are issued by the Town of Lanark and it is the owner's responsibility to not move them, keep them intact and easily seen.

Land Splits: are first approved by the Plan Commission and then the Town Board as well as the County Zoning Department. Certified Survey maps must be submitted to the Town for final review and signatures before filed at the Register of Deeds office.

Contact the Town Clerk for fire numbers, to be placed on the agenda for land splits or other matters requiring Board approval.

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2007 BUDGET

The town board adopted a budget of \$445,023.99 for 2007. This is down 30% from 2006. Expected revenues are down with the tax levy still limited to 2% growth or net new construction %. Residents voted a tax levy increase allowable to help pay for the debt service on a \$190,000 loan in building the town hall. Roadwork has a sum of \$112,000 mainly for the completion of Badger Drive.

The Assessed Valuation of the town increased by 2.68% to \$98,458,700. This is due to the increase in home construction. To convert assessed values to equalized or market values use the ratio of





OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

Chairman: Thomas Clinton
9388 Clinton Rd.
Amherst, WI 54406
824-3609

Supervisor: Theodore Marquardt
8965 Boelter Lake Dr.
Almond, WI 54909
366-2283

Supervisor: Michael Pagel
10408 Otto Rd.
Amherst, WI 54406
824-5231

Clerk: Loretta Klingenberg
6128 Cty. Rd. A
Amherst, WI 54406
824-5475

Treasurer: Bill Frizzell
10067 Cty. Rd. D
Amherst, WI 54406
824-3780

Assessor: Jeremy Kurtzweil
1501 N. Hume Ave.
Marshfield, WI 54449
486-9019

Portage County:
District 20 Supervisor
Lonnie Krogwold
824-5600

Planning & Zoning
346-1334
County Treasurer
346-1348

Lanark Town Hall
256-9801
Lanark Town Garage
256-1376

Humane Society
344-6012
Building Inspector
715-254-0886

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