

Town of Rock

Rock County, Wisconsin

To the Residents of the Town of Rock,

Together with our Town Board, I would like to bring you up to date on what's happening in our town. The Board remains the same as I continue to act as your Town Chairman together with Tony Dubanowich and Pete Parker as Supervisors. Judy Thostenson remains the Constable. Please use the town website for information at www.tn.rock.wi.gov.

Deb Bennett remains employed as the Clerk/Treasurer and acts as the Recycling Coordinator and handles the Rock Town Cemetery. Deb has announced her retirement will occur in April, 2022, after 29 years of service. The Board hired Kristina Bennett as Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, and she is currently being trained to take over full-time duties in April.

Our clerk, Deb Bennett, was recognized by the Wisconsin Towns Association when she received the Extraordinary Clerk Award at the annual convention in October — a recognition that was well deserved. Congratulations!

As I notified you last year, The Rock Summer Baseball Inc., has been using the town park for their baseball team and that program has now expanded to four teams. We are happy to see the park being used in such a positive manner.

The Town was able to host two e-waste pickups again this year. Be aware the next year these pickups will be taking place in the spring and fall and will be at Waste Management's new location on Townline Road. As in the past, the dates will be mailed in a notice to each resident.

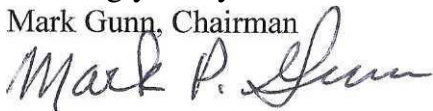
The road projects in 2021 included paving Kessler Road from Tripp Road North to the railroad tracks. We chip sealed Tripp Road from Kessler to Hayner Road and Murray Road from Tripp Road to Hanover Road. We crack filled Hanover Road from Johnson Road to the Highway 11 Bypass.

We thank the poll workers for offering their services in the election this year. Many extra precautions had to be taken and we appreciate their willingness to serve.

Remember to use the Afton Post Office when mailing your packages. The walk-up window is open in the afternoons.

Wishing you a year of health and happiness,

Mark Gunn, Chairman



Recycle-Garbage Collection

Pick up days are as follows: *Thursday-West of the River and Friday-East of the River*. If your pickup falls on or after a holiday, please put your trash and recyclables out to the curb on the FOLLOWING day by 6:00 a.m. Bulk pickup is the 4th Wednesday of the month. You need to call Waste Management to make arrangements. Call Waste Management at 1-608-473-0457.

Town Hall or Park Rent

To rent Rock Town Hall, a \$250.00 deposit is required if you are not having alcohol, with alcohol the deposit is \$500.00. Cost is based on the size of the event as follows- Up to 50 People for a Resident-\$100.00, Non-Resident-\$200.00. 51-100 People for a Resident-\$200.00, Non-Resident-\$350.00. Over 100 People for a Resident-\$300.00, Non-Resident-\$500.00. Park rent is \$50.00 for resident and \$100.00 for nonresident. Contact Brenda Clifton-322-5507 for reservations for the Town Hall or Park.

Dog License-State Statute-174.05

All dogs are required by law to have rabies shots and be licensed annually. You must have proof of rabies vaccination. Please pass this information on to renters. For a license to be issued following information must be given: Owner's name, address, and phone. Dog's name, age, breed, color, proof of alteration, **current rabies certificate** which will include the rabies tag number, and date the shot was given and when the next one is due. Fees for an unaltered dog-\$10.00 Spayed or neutered dog- \$5.00. License **must** be purchased by March 31, 2022 or a \$5.00 late fee is incurred. To apply for a license send the required information with your payment to Town of Rock, PO Box 25, Afton, WI 53501. **Make checks payable to Town of Rock.** If you have any questions please call Kristina Bennett, at 608-290-0118. You may pay for dog license by credit card in person or go to www.tn.rock.wi.gov click on the quick link on the right side of the home page that says GovPayNet-Misc. Fees.

TAX COLLECTION

FULL OR FIRST INSTALLMENT PAYMENT OF REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY ARE DUE JANUARY 31, 2022. Any payments made now until January 31, 2022 must be made to the Town of Rock. Residents in Rockvale should contact their office for tax information. Payments may be made in person, mail or there is a drop box at my home, 5814 S Duggan Rd, Beloit, WI. Payments by mail or the drop box-should be a check or money order to Town of Rock, 5814 S Duggan Rd, Beloit, WI 53511. If you would like a receipt please include a stamped self-addressed envelope with your payment. Please include a phone number. ***PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE IN PERSON AT ROCK TOWN HALL, 5102 S COUNTY ROAD D, AFTON, WI ON THE FOLLOWING DATES-DECEMBER 23 and 31-1:00-4:30PM, JANUARY 21, 27 and 31 -1:00 - 4:00 pm. You can pay by credit card in person or go to www.tn.rock.wi.gov, click on the quick link on the right side of the home page that says GovPayNet-Property Taxes. Complete your information, name address, computer number, card number, expiration date, 3 digit security code. You will be charged a fee, the amount will depend on the amount you charge.***

LOTTERY AND FIRST DOLLAR CREDIT

	Lottery Credit	First Dollar Credit
Janesville School District	\$232.75	\$65.63
Parkview School District	\$244.39	\$68.91

Please check your tax bill for the lottery credit. If you owned your home and used it as your primary residence as of January 1, 2021, you are entitled to a Lottery tax credit on your real estate tax bill. Homeowners are required to sign a lottery credit application form to initially receive the credit on their tax bill.

2021 Tax Levies

Rock County	\$1,258,824.54
Blackhawk Tax Levy	\$ 223,995.26
Janesville School Tax Levy	\$1,826,752.00
Parkview School Tax Levy	\$ 138,346.75
Town Tax Levy	\$ 378,931.00
School Tax Credit	<u>\$ -309,947.27</u>
Net Tax Levy	\$3,516,902.28

STORM WATER RUNOFF

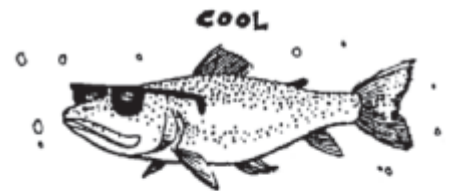
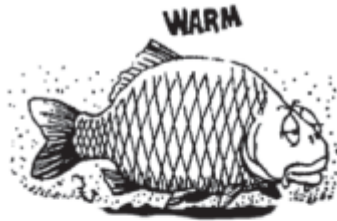
What is Storm Water Runoff?

Storm water runoff is rain and melting snow that flows off building rooftops, driveways, lawns, streets, parking lots, construction sites, and industrial storage yards. Developed areas are covered by buildings and pavement, which do not allow water to soak into the ground.

Why is Storm Water Runoff a problem?

Storm water runoff is not clean water. Storm water runoff carries pollutants that can seriously harm our waters. Examples of these commonly found pollutants are:

sediment, various microorganisms and bacteria, phosphorus, nitrogen, toxic chemicals and waste. Storm water runoff can cause waterway erosion.



Hot runoff?

If you have been caught out in a rainstorm you know that rainfall is cold and cools the surfaces it wets. When that surface is a hot roof, parking lot or roadway, runoff can absorb significant heat that is carried to lakes and streams.

This heat changes the environment for the fish, plants and other animals that live there. Fish in cold water streams are especially affected by these temperature increases.

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR CLERK/TREASURER

Dear Residents,

I have enjoyed my years of service for the Town of Rock. While I am excited about this next chapter of my life, it will also be hard to go. I will be holding onto all of the memories, and the friends I have met along the way. You have all made it an enjoyable journey for sure. Thank you for the support, encouragement, and good times.

Best wishes to all of you!

Deborah Bennett

*Please when registering your vehicles remember to report that your vehicle is kept in the Town of Rock.
In case of emergency dial 911 Non-Emergency dial 757-2244*

Town Contacts

Chair-Mark Gunn-752-8569-we6pigs@yahoo.com

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Supervisor-Tony Dubanowich-931-2172-Tony.Dubanowich.RockTownship@gmail.com

Clerk/Treasurer-Deb Bennett-362-0598 dbennett4185@hughes.net

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Building, Plumbing and Electrical Inspector-Bill Kienbaum 295-7766 bldginsp.Rock.Township@gmail.com

Assessor-Grota Appraisal, LLC-1-262-253-1142

Constable-Judy Thostenson-751-1440

Planning and Zoning Chair-Tony Dubanowich-931-2172- Tony.Dubanowich.RockTownship@gmail.com

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Zoning Officer-Ordinance Violation-Dave Diestler-752-3200-Dave.Diestler.RockTownship@gmail.com

Zoning Officer-Issuing Zoning Permits-Tony Dubanowich-931-2172-

Tony.Dubanowich.RockTownship@gmail.com

Rent Town Hall or Town Park contact-Brenda Clifton-322-5507

Information for Recycling, Elections, and Rock Cemetery contact-Kristina Bennett-290-0118

Rock Town Hall-752-4292

Town Board Meetings are the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Rock Town Hall,
5102 S. County Road D, Afton, WI- To be on the agenda, contact Mark Gunn

Planning and Zoning Meetings are the last Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Rock Town Hall,
5102 S. County Road D, Afton, WI- To be on the agenda, contact Tony Dubanowich

Wishing you Happy Holidays and A Wonderful New Year!!!