

# TOWN OF MENOMONIE

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**2012 SUMMER ROAD MAINTENANCE:** Overlay - 462<sup>nd</sup> Av. West Birch creek, 449<sup>th</sup> St. Woodlawn Terrace. Possible reconstruct 471<sup>st</sup> St, - across from Birch Terrace. Major Culvert repair on 450<sup>th</sup> Av., Seal Coat 420<sup>th</sup> Av. Other repairs will include grader patching, hand patching, Spray patch seal, and crack seal and limited line road painting.

**ANIMAL CONTROL:** Please keep your pets on your property. Pick up after them. **Wild and stray cats may be live trapped and taken to the Human Society.** We do not pick up dogs or cats. If you capture one you may take it to the Humane Society stating you are from the Town of Menomonie. **The Sheriff's Department will pick up captured dogs in some cases.** The Sheriff's Department handles dog's running at large and excess barking complaints. The Sheriff's Department does not pick up cats or other animals. Make sure your animals are licensed and have current rabies shots. To license your dog call Nancy Ponto - Treasurer.

**JUNK:** Please clean up your yards and excess junk. The board has been pursuing legal action on these problems. The costs are \$10.00 a day after notification of violation. Go to our web site for our ordinance review. Be a good neighbor. Thank you!!

**ATV ROUTES:** This is the second year of designated roads. We have seen no problems. Go to our web site to see what roads are designated routes.

**FIRE CALLS / AMBULANCE CALLS:** We had 54 calls for the fire department in 2012, 3 more than in 2011. EMS was dispatched 149 times, 41 more times than in 2011. Our budget for ambulance fees for town residents is \$63,488.00 down from \$65,119 in 2011, which is paid to the City of Menomonie. Citizens still have to pay for services when used. This is to insure we have ambulance services for our residents. Fire fees are \$41,491, which is up from \$40,000.00 in 2011, which is paid to the City of Menomonie to store the rural equipment and maintenance and inspections. Fees are charged to the rural fire for calls. If the service is used, residents have to pay up to \$500.00 per call. Make sure your property insurance company knows of this fee, so it can be built into your premium.

The Rural Fire/ Ambulance District is made up of towns surrounding the city of Menomonie and the village of Knapp. The district owns our own fire equipment, but no ambulances.

## **MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> STORM DAMAGE**

This storm caused significant tree damage along our roads - most hard hit was Woodlawn Terrace and the Irvington Area. We had to have end loaders and people to cut the trees so our plows could clean the roads. We lost around 150 trees in this storm. Thanks to everyone that helped during this time of need in our Township.

**ROAD GARBAGE:** If you see couches and tires along the road contact the town hall and leave a message. Our employees will pick up the debris. If you see someone littering, please call the Sheriffs Department and report them.

**EQUALIZED VALUE:** Our town value went up \$1,287,000 for 2011. Total Value of Township is \$215,361,200. This is 7.82% of the Dunn County's equalized Value. Our value went up 2.69%. Town of Tainter's equalized county value is 7.90% and City of Menomonie's is 32.62%. We are the third highest of all municipals (towns - Villages) in the county.

**COMPOST:** There is free compost at the old dump site (brush / leaf site) near the recycling center. Open Mondays, Wednesday afternoons, and Saturday until noon. Take as much as you want.

UK Study: Life satisfaction increases 2% and psychological distress falls 4% within 2.5 mile radius of green space.

**BOARD OF REVIEW:** Board of Review has been set – if you wish to attend these are the procedures. It is recommended you go to the open book first and if that meeting cannot be resolved – one has to contact the Clerk at least 48 hours prior to the Board of Review to attend this review.

**Open Book: Wednesday June 26<sup>th</sup> 2013 4 PM to 6 PM. Board of Review: Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup> 2013 6 PM to 8 PM**

**RUDIGER ROAD – 390<sup>TH</sup> ST.:** The Town has received a grant of \$1,040,600.00 for the North Portion of 390<sup>th</sup> St. We will spend approximately \$100,000.00 this year. We will bond to finish paying off the rest. After completion the state will reimburse us ½ of the costs. It is to be completed by the fall of 2016.

**DIVIDING LAND – MINOR – MAJOR SUBDIVISIONS:** Most all divisions of land must come before our plan commission. We have a subdivision ordinance and to review it go to [townofmenomonie.org](http://townofmenomonie.org) Contact our Plan Commission Chairman Mike Kneer for information and to be put on the Plan Commission Agenda.

**COUNTY ZONING:** The counties PRD committee is going over the new proposed county zoning line by line. They hope to have it back to the townships by mid summer so it can be reviewed and sent back to the county for suggestions. The Town of Menomonie is under county zoning.

**SALE SIGNS:** It is illegal to place thrift/yard sale signs on stop signs and other regulatory posts. At least, please remove them when your sale or event is completed. Keep our intersections uncluttered.

**BUILDING PERMITS:** If building new buildings or additions contact the county for a zoning permit. Then contact the towns building inspector for a building permit. A new mobile home in a new or present site must also have a permit issued by the town. **All new driveways including field driveways must have a driveway permit issued by the town.** Contact town chairman for a permit. Failure to obtain one may result in a fine and removal of the driveway.

**BOARD MEETINGS – PLAN COMMISSION MEETINGS:** The **Town Board** normally meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM and the **Plan Commission** normally meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM, both at the Town Hall. If there is added agenda items after publication they will be posted at Tractor Central, Town Hall and Irvington Garage. To get on the Plan Commissions agenda contact Mike Kneer – Chairman of the commission. The agendas are posted the Sunday before in the Dunn County News.

**NEW ORDINANCES:** Two new ordinances were passed in 2012. A speed zone in Cedar Hills and an updated Ground Water Ordinance. The groundwater ordinance has be modified to allow industries in excellent, very good, and good recharge areas so long as the recharge to the aquifer will not be affected and there will not be any possibilities of contamination of the aquifer.

**TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS:** Please be aware of pedestrians and bicycles on our roads – drive like you would want others to in your neighborhood. **Traffic complaints are most in our residential districts. Speed signs are for your safety and those that live in these areas.**

**TOWN HALL PHONE:** This phone is checked during the week. Our hall does not have full time people. If you need an immediate answer contact the Chairman 715-235-3918 or if reference to taxes etc. contacts the Treasure or Clerk.

**2<sup>ND</sup> HALF REAL ESTATE TAXES:** The second half of 2012 real estate taxes are due by July 31, 2013. **PAY THESE TO THE DUNN COUNTY TREASURER.** You can stop by the Dunn County Government Center at 800 Wilson Avenue or mail the taxes to that address. **THE TOWN TREASURER DOES NOT ACCEPT REAL ESTATE TAXES DUE IN JULY.**