



DECEMBER 2013 NEWSLETTER

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PLYMOUTH TOWN BOARD: Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. *These are public meetings and everyone is encouraged to attend! One of the first items on the agenda is CITIZEN PARTICIPATION which allows residents an opportunity to address the Town Board on any Town of Plymouth subject of interest or concern.*



PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION : Meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. *These are public meetings and everyone is encouraged to attend!*

TOWN OFFICE HOURS: Town of Plymouth Office, located in the Plymouth Town Hall, is open Saturdays from 10 am - 12 p.m. and before the regular Town Board meeting held on the second Tuesday of each month from 6:30 - 7 p.m. For other times, just contact Clerk Sue Douglas at 876-6112.

CURRENT ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

The Town Board has three voting members:

Town Chairperson: Lawrence Harding Jr.

608-879-2542; chairperson@townofplymouthwi.com

Supervisor: William Orchard, 608-772-2567;

supervisor2@townofplymouthwi.com

Supervisor: Sean Snyder, 608-449-5800;

supervisor1@townofplymouthwi.com

Other Town Officials:

Clerk: Susan Douglas, 608-876-6112

clerk@townofplymouthwi.com

Treasurer: Tippy Phillips, 608-879-9263

treasurer@townofplymouthwi.com

TOWN INFORMATION AND LEGAL NOTICES

The Town of Plymouth website is the best place to locate information! Meeting notices and agendas, ordinance adoptions, and other important town notices are posted in the following locations:

*Plymouth Town Hall

*American Legion, Orfordville

*Plymouth Sanitary District #1 Office

* Bass Creek Golf Club (seasonal)

*Farmers and Merchants Bank, Orfordville

*Town web site: www.townofplymouthwi.com

Please note: If notice is required to be published in a newspaper, the *Brodhead Independent Register* is used.



ROAD MAINTENANCE STUDY CONSULTANT

At a Special Town Meeting held on June 4, 2013, town residents passed a motion advising the Town Board to hire a consultant to analyze the Road Maintenance Proposal options submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee. At the November 12, 2013 meeting, the Town Board approved hiring McGrath Consultants to complete this comprehensive overview of the proposal options.

THANK YOU TO AD HOC COMMITTEE

Town of Plymouth was fortunate to have dedicated residents willing to take on the difficult task of studying town road maintenance. The Ad Hoc Committee members were Chairperson Lori Inman, Ann Redmer, Bill Redmer, Steve Reynolds and Brian Schlarb.

2014 ANNUAL TOWN OF PLYMOUTH MEETING

On Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 7 pm, the Town of Plymouth will have its Annual Meeting. This meeting provides an opportunity for Town of Plymouth residents to express their views, ask questions, and make decisions per State Statutes. *Mark your calendars and plan to attend.*

CURBSIDE TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION

Rock Disposal is our service provider for trash and recycling collection. The cost for this service is listed as a special charge on property tax statements for parcels with residences. **TRASH** is collected **weekly on Wednesday** and **RECYCLABLES** are collected **every other week on Wednesday**. Everything should be placed in the carts provided by Rock Disposal. If you need a cart contact, Clerk Sue Douglas or Rock Disposal, 608-365-7625.



2014 ELECTIONS

February 18, 2014

Spring Primary

April 1, 2014

Spring Election

August 12, 2014

Partisan Primary

November 4, 2014

General Election

All voting is held at the Plymouth Town Hall from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on each Election Day. Voters must be residents of the Town of Plymouth for at least 28 days before an election in order to vote here. If you need to register to vote or need an absentee ballot, contact Clerk Sue Douglas.

Election Information can be found at the My Vote Wisconsin website: <https://myvote.wi.gov>

2014 TOWN BUDGET: At the November 12, 2013 Town Board meeting which followed the public hearing, the Town Board adopted its budget for 2014 in the amount of \$441,423.00. The Town of Plymouth Levy (General Local Property Taxes) was set at \$157,981.00.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION: Meets the last Tuesday of the Month at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. The

function and duty of the Planning and Zoning Commission is to review all plat, subdivision and zoning changes and forward said recommendations to the Town Board. The Commission also approves Conditional Use Permits.



Planning and Zoning Chairperson, Brad Inman, 608-921-8114. pz@townofplymouthwi.com

Planning and Zoning Members: Kathy LaBarre, 608-879-2542, James Lyga, 608-879-2676, Lee Schroeder, 608-751-4984 and Tracey Snyder, 608-449-5801

ZONING, VARIANCES, AND CONDITIONAL USE

REQUESTS: Contact Planning and Zoning Chairperson, Brad Inman, at 608-921-8114 if you are considering rezoning a parcel, requesting a variance from an ordinance or requesting a conditional use permit. Application form information and all forms are available at the Town Hall and on the Town's website: www.townofplymouthwi.com

BUILDING PERMITS: Building permits are required for new construction and projects that involve structure changes, installing or relocating plumbing, electrical, heating and venting or air conditioning equipment. Additions, alterations or structural repairs to buildings also require a permit as does installation or upgrading of driveways. Starting January 1, 2014 Independent Inspections, LTD will handle all building permits and inspections.

For building permit information, contact Independent Inspections at 800-422-5220.

ASSESSMENTS: Town assessor, Associated Appraisal Consultants, Inc., holds an **Open Book Session** every year in late spring. This is the best opportunity for the property owner to review his/her assessment, check for errors, compare assessments and request changes by providing evidence for the change request. If you are not satisfied with the assessment after attending the Open Book, you may request to **appear at the Board of Review which is held after the assessment roll is completed.**

For assessment information, contact Associated Appraisal Consultants, 800-721-4157.



STRAY DOGS: If you find a stray dog check to see if it has a tag and contact the owner yourself. If the stray has a dog tag, the Town of Plymouth Treasurer, Tippy Phillips, can assist in identifying the owner. If unable to identify the owner, contact Supervisor Sean Snyder, the Town's Ordinance Officer or the Rock County Humane Society. **Please license**

your dog every year to help us provide the best service to the community, you and your dog.

DOG LICENSE: Dogs must be licensed EVERY year. Annual Dog License Application is included with this newsletter. All dogs over 5 months of age must be licensed each year by April 1st.

INVASIVE WEEDS: State Law requires property owners to destroy all invasive and noxious weeds on their property. Property owners are encouraged to identify and control weeds before they flower and seed.

BURNING: Town of Plymouth Ordinance 1996-1 regulates burning in the Town of Plymouth and adopts the Burning Permit Guidelines of the Orfordville Fire Protection District. Contact the Orfordville Fire Department at 879-2122 for clarification on what can be burned and to inform them when you plan to burn.

REPLACEMENT FIRE NUMBERS: If your fire number has been damaged or is simply faded from the weather and sun, you may order a replacement fire number by contacting the Rock County Zoning and Development Office at 608-757-5587. The fee for a replacement is \$60.00.

ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY: Property owners need to be aware that per the Town of Plymouth Zoning Ordinance all local roads shall have a minimum setback of 85 feet from the centerline or 50 feet from the right-of-way line, whichever is greater. Minimum road right-of-way shall be 70 feet. Trees, brush, crops, etc, should not be in the right-of-way as they can cause visual impediments to vehicles and/or drainage problems.



PRIMARY RESIDENCE: If your primary residence is in the Town of Plymouth your vehicle registration, Wisconsin Income Tax Return etc. should say "County of Rock" and "Town of Plymouth" to ensure the Town receives its full amount of the Shared Revenue taxes from the State. Please make sure you indicate your vehicle is kept in the Town of Plymouth **NOT** per your mailing address of Beloit, Hanover, Janesville, Orfordville, etc.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 14, 2014 Town Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
January 28, 2014 Planning & Zoning Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
February 11, 2014 Town Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
February 18, 2014 Spring Primary Election, 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.
April 1, 2014 Spring Election, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
April 15, 2014 Annual Town Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

HOW TO CONTACT US

***TOWN WEBSITE:** www.townofplymouthwi.com
*Send an email to: townofplymouth@gmail.com
*Call the Town Hall Office at **608-879-4012**
*Call the Town Chair, Larry Harding, at **608-879-2542**
*Call the Town Clerk, Sue Douglas, at **608-876-6112**
***Attend Town Board and Planning & Zoning meetings**

RESIDENT NOTIFICATION LIST

If you would like to automatically receive meeting notices and other important Town information by email, send your request to townofplymouth@gmail.com