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From the Town Chair

Hello Township Residents,

I hope everyone is having a good summer, it is nice to see everyone out enjoying the weather with ATVs and UTVs. Today I would like to highlight a few details in the township's ordinances on all-terrain vehicles (433-2. All Terrain and utility terrain vehicle routes.)

- All roads in the Town of McMillan will be open to all-/utility terrain travel with the exception of all county roads and state highways.
- Except for non-recreational uses, ATV travel is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.
- Any uniform all-terrain vehicle route or trail sign or standard that has been legally erected by the state, a municipality, or another qualified party may not be purposefully removed, damaged, defaced, moved, or obstructed, nor may they be intentionally interfered with in their ability to function.
- All ATV and utility vehicle drivers must:
 - (a) Comply with posted speed limits on the road.
 - (b) Travel in single file.
 - (c) Reduce speed of the vehicle to 10 miles an hour when meeting pedestrians on the roadways.

A copy of the ordinance can be found filed with the Town Clerk or on the township website under the ordinances tab.

I would also like to ask for everyone's patience with all the road construction coming up on State Highway 97. Please remember to slow down and watch for road workers. There is more information in this newsletter about the construction. Let's all work together to keep everyone safe.

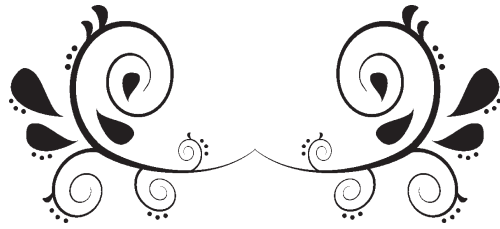
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Town of McMillan Plan Commission

2022 Fall Newsletter



Just as a reminder, permits are always required before you build any structure. Alterations, and additions to structures also require a permit. In addition, before a permit may be issued for a structure to be served by a septic system, a sanitary permit must also be obtained. General information regarding these issues may be obtained by calling your Plan Commission Chair. However, all permits are handled by Marathon County Conservation, Planning and Zoning Department (CPZ).

As many of you may already know, there is a new subdivision in our Township. The Brickyard Subdivision is located on Mann Road. Some of you may not know, that many years ago, where the brick house is located on Mann, there was once a business that made bricks. So, Mann was often referred to as Brickyard Road, hence the name for the Subdivision.

There is a 90 day timeline that State Statutes determines the start date, upon which we must act. If we take no action, it is considered an automatic approval of the Subdivision. There are 3 reviews of the plat subdivision that occur at the same time by the State, the County and the Town. You need all three approval signatures to record the final plat. There was a lot of discussion with the developer and representatives from Vreeland Associate Land Surveyors and Engineers. Present per phone was Dominique Swangstu, zoning administrator from CPZ. Other members present were: Laurie Miskimins (new CPZ director), Jeff Prichard-Planning Analyst, and Kirk Langfoss-Conservation Analyst. There is an already existing Town of McMillan Checklist for the Creation of Minor and Major Subdivisions, as part of our Town Ordinances. The items on the checklist were discussed, and in particular, issues associated with water runoff and retention, and road bed and associated drainage. Also, part of the process included a public hearing where citizens could voice their concerns.

At June's meeting we invited the County to attend as they have new staff. We discussed working on clarifying some issues related to Minor and Major Subdivision Ordinances. County Surveyor, Dave Decker said with emphasis, "keep it simple" so that everyone can understand what is expected or required. The hope is always to avoid confusion. A major subdivision is not a common transaction that comes before the Plan Commission.

Respectfully submitted,
Carla Schaefer Mannigel

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING



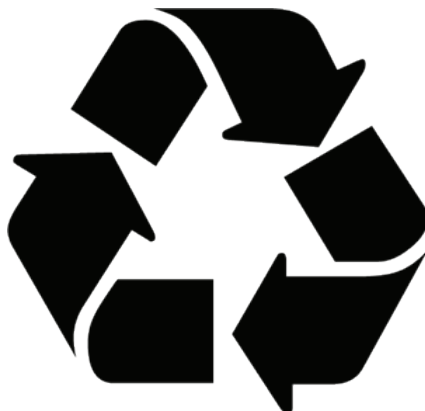
Each household is allowed one container for recycling. Additional Recycling containers can be obtained by each household but the additional container will cost \$20/year which is billed separately by the township. If Waste Management billed it you would be paying more than \$20/month because they pay a third party to do their billing and must cover the overhead costs for each additional invoice mailed out. If you do have a second recycling container, make sure to pay the extra fee that you receive from the township each year.

The recycling consortium of our area is made up of the towns of Marshfield, Richfield, Rock, Lincoln, Cameron, and McMillan. Yearly there is a tire collection and 2 of the towns are responsible for running the tire collection day. The towns rotate through the schedule. The Board applies every year for a grant to cover the cost of the tire recycling. Approximately 70 tons of tires were collected with a cost of about \$13,340. The tires are delivered from the Pankratz collection site to the Auburndale Recycling area. Next year The Town of McMillan will be part of the Marshfield/McMillan Collection team.

Bob Spring

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BUILDING AND GROUNDS

We have 17 rentals scheduled this year and 12 have been completed in The pavilion..

The manual for the timed lock has been misplaced, the locksmiths manual has also been misplaced but we have hopes that he can get it done this week.

Air conditioning and heating in the pavilion is new this year. We have had to address a couple of issues but all is well and a real plus for us.

A new volley ball net has been ordered.

The restoration of the ball diamond is a work in progress.

The park is beautiful and being well maintained. Thank you to Clyde and Nancy Wynia for providing the beautiful flower pots. Help in staining the picnic tables would be appreciated.

Carolyn Opitz
715-305-7122



I hope everyone is having a great summer!

With talking to service people and the county workers there is a consensus that the roads in this area took a real beating last year, more than normal. It was a very hard winter for roads!

We will be starting a road reconstruct on Winterberry the week of August 8th.

I am sad to say I received information a while ago that there was some vandalism done to a new home being built in the Brickyard Subdivision.

I have sent an email to the DNR for any information I can get on the project they are working on to address areas in Wisconsin that have been experiencing excessive water issues. I have also asked for the list of grasses, plants and trees that are recommended for wet areas.

As of this writing, the town has received one truckload of calcium to treat the gravel roads for dust control. We have made multiple phone calls and have been told that, along with many other items, the shipments of calcium are very hard to come by. I have not been able to get an answer as to when the 2nd truckload will arrive to be able to finish the town roads. I will continue to call.

The crack filling is almost complete. There were a couple of areas missed but they will be done.

We are asking residents not to put weed killer in your ditches. We need the grass to keep our shoulders and ditches intact.

If residents could please remember to keep your culverts clear and also take a look at your fire number and make sure it is visible. This would be greatly appreciated.

I attended a pre-construction meeting for the Hwy 97 project between Stratford and Marshfield on July 26, 2022. The contract is for 60 days with October 26th being stated as the completion date. Project will start August 1, 2022 with pipe and grading to start on August 8th. They will be working 9-10 hour days for the 1st month (6:30 to 7:00 a.m. start time) then reevaluating at that time. Stop lights will stay set up at the Hwy 97/County Hwy T intersection for the entire project.

They have 2 dates with holiday work restrictions:

- Noon, August 26th through the 29th – Central WI State Fair
- Noon, September 2nd through the 6th – Labor Day

And one date by request to have Galvin Avenue open for the September 10th Fall Festival.

County Hwy AAA, Galvin Avenue and Staadt Avenue may be closed for a maximum of 5 working days while the intersection approaches are being reconstructed. They said they would give us advance notice of intersections being closed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 715-514-9513.

Thank you so much!

Tom Seyfert, Town Hwy Supervisor

LIBRARY REPORT

The library has a lot of great events going on, especially for children! The library offers some things you might not be aware of. If you're interested in your genealogy, stop by the library and access their ancestry.com license FREE OF CHARGE!! Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library has many great events each month, including computer basics and "drop-in" tech help! You can find out about their by signing up for their newsletter at the bottom of their website marshfieldlibrary.org. The library homepage also has links to youth activities and adult activities. My kids have enjoyed the youth activities this summer. I also recommend following them out on Facebook. The library approved a 2% wage increase for all employees which aligns with the recent wage increase for City of Marshfield employees.



WEBSITE REPORT

We are in the process of refreshing the town website. In the near future the website will transition from townofmcmillan.com to townofmcmillan.gov (pending .gov approval). The website will be refreshed and upgraded. Planned upgrades include reserving the pavilion online, reporting road concerns, and more. See welcometomcmillan.com for a preview of what the new website will look like. If you have any suggestions you'd like to see on the updated website, please send them to townclerk@townofmcmillan.com. Please note, once we receive the new domain name, the Town Clerk email address will change also. However, I do anticipate there will be a few months of transition where both domains and email addresses will function correctly. More to come on this exciting development!



CLERK REPORT

Hello, it's me, John Cokl, your new clerk. If my name looks familiar, it might be because I ran for, and was elected to, the position of Town Supervisor in the Spring of 2022. Shortly after my election, Clerk Rahn abruptly resigned. Many weeks later, our prior clerk, Tanya Holcomb, offered and was appointed to serve as Clerk for a limited time appointment. In early July, approaching Clerk Holcomb's appointment end date, we had still not received any applications to serve as the Town Clerk. As a result, I felt a personal obligation to offer to serve as clerk. My goal as Supervisor was to serve the residents and make more information publicly available and I felt that I could be equally effective in both of these things as clerk. So, I offered to bring my accounting background and serve as clerk, and the Town Board voted (with my abstention) to appoint me to a three-year term beginning July 12, 2022. On July 11, 2022 at 9:45 pm I tendered my resignation as Town Supervisor. I became Town Clerk on July 12, 2022. I am excited to be your new Town Clerk and look forward to providing all residents an excellent experience. I am holding weekly office hours on Wednesdays from 3pm to 6pm or by appointment. I can be reached at townclerk@townofmcmillan.com, or you can call 715-389-1338 or you can call or text 715-305-6005.

I have created a facebook page for the Town of McMillan:
<https://www.facebook.com/TownofMcMillan>



McMillan Fire Department NEWSLETTER

June/ 2022

From the Chief's Desk: Adam Knapp



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EMS Captain: Kim Kilty



According to a report from the US Coast Guard, autumn boating accidents are far more likely to be fatal than those that occur during the summer months. Although there are many more boating accidents in the summer season, boaters involved in accidents during the fall months are exposed to cold water and other weather hazards. Keep these tips in mind for safe autumn boating. Get a Boat First Aid Kit!

Be Prepared for Changing Weather

Since fall weather can change quickly, you should always be prepared for possible cold, windy, and wet weather even if the sun is shining. Stay closer to shore, so you can turn back if the weather changes. Bring appropriate clothing, such as warm coats, rain gear, and gloves.





Watch for Signs of **Hypothermia**

Small open boats combined with cold, wet weather can lead to possible hypothermia. According to Mayo Clinic, these are a few of the signs you should know:

- Shivering or trembling
- General lack of coordination, including stumbling and dropping things
- Drowsiness, confusion, and apathy
- Mumbling and slurring of words
- Weak pulse and shallow breathing

Tell Others About Your Trip

Make sure you tell a friend or family member your boating plan and your expected return time. There are fewer boaters in the fall to help in the case of an accident or emergency.

Always Wear **Life Jackets**

Wearing your life jacket, while always a smart move, is even more important in the fall. If you should accidentally fall overboard, the cold water will quickly drain away your strength.

Fall Festival September 10th, 2022



This year is our 33rd Annual McMillan Fall Festival. Fall Fest is the Fire Department's largest fundraiser, and the support of our community has made it a success all these years. This year we welcome back The Jerry Schmitt Band. New this year is the McMillan Car Show! Other activities include daytime entertainment, fun run, silent auction, kids tent, food/drinks, and fireworks at dusk. Watch for our fliers coming out in the next few days for more information!

