

Winter 2016

Town Talk



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Garbage Update:

The town is working toward a new contract for refuse and recycling hauling. Please watch the webpage for updates. It will be spring before changes go into effect.

Web Address Change:

The town web page address has changed! The new address is noted above.

Town of Onalaska
N5589 Commerce Road
Onalaska, WI 54650
(608) 783-4958 (P) (608) 779-9605(F)
<http://www.townofonalaska.org>

Town Shop

Drainage Ditches cannot be filled in with leaves, dirt and/or sod. Sprinkler heads can NOT be within the right-of-way.

Parking on cul-de-sacs is prohibited November 1st-April 1st.

Road Right-of-Way Due to necessary maintenance of town roads (especially snow plowing) decorative mail posts, flower boxes or other items placed on road right-of-way may be damaged. The town is not liable for damages done to these items, nor to the grass edge along the road. The right-of-way on most roads is 66 feet wide (33 feet from the centerline). For building set-backs, contact La Crosse County Zoning office at 785-9722.

Salt/Sand: The Town has a policy that salt/sand is for public use only. The Town is not legally able to sell the winter sand/salt mixture, nor are citizens allowed to take it for private driveways or sidewalks.

Dog License Renewals

All dogs must be licensed by 5 months of age.

A dog license is effective from January 1 to December 31. All licenses expire December 31.

If a dog is not licensed by April 1, a late fee of \$25 is added and you will need to go to the La Crosse County Clerk in the Administration Building to license your dog.

Fee is \$11.00 for a spayed or neutered dog and \$21.00 for an unaltered dog.

A *current* rabies certificate is required for licensing.

For your convenience and this is encouraged, you may license through the mail. Include:

- 1) Appropriate Fee
- 2) Copy of Rabies Certificate
- 3) A self-addressed stamped envelope
- 4) Your phone number, for questions

The tag and certificate will be returned to you by mail. If no self-addressed stamped envelope is provided, you will need

to pick up your license at the Town Hall.

*As a reminder, the town does have a dog ordinance.

The dog ordinance can be viewed on the town website.

Please note: The Town of Onalaska does NOT issue cat licenses.

2016 Tax Bills

Office Hours

Please note: For your convenience Storm Water Utility billing has been added to the tax bill. In effort to save on printing and postage, you will not be receiving a separate Storm Water bill.

Make checks payable to: **Town of Onalaska** **Tax payments are also accepted at:**

Cash payments will not be accepted at the Town Hall. **River Bank-Holmen** 4000 Corporate Drive. Monday - Friday, 8:30am to 5:00 pm and Saturday 8am to noon.

Separate checks are needed for taxes and other payments. **Park Bank-Holmen 1200** Main Street. Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am to noon.
With any payment, attach one copy of your bill and keep one for your records.

IMPORTANT!

When mailing your payment, the postmark acts as the payment date.

A receipt will not be returned to you unless you provide a self- addressed stamped envelope.

Real Estate tax payment options:

If you are paying in 2 installments, send your July payment to **La Crosse County Treasurer, 400 4th Street North, La Crosse, WI 54601-3228.**

The Town cannot accept any payments after January 31st.

Refunds:

No refunds will be given the day of payment. No refunds are given under \$2.00.

Personal property:

Tax bills must be paid in full by January 31, 2017.

2017 Elections

Dates:

February 21st- *Spring Primary*
April 4th- *Spring Election*

Register to vote:

<https://myvote.wi.gov/>

Polling Location:

Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Road

Polling Hours:

7:00 am to 8:00 pm

Remember:

If your address has changed, you need to re-register to vote.

Wisconsin law requires that you live at your current address for 10 consecutive days to be eligible to vote from your new address.

If you have lived at your new address for less than 10 consecutive days before the election you are still eligible to vote from your former address.

Town Official Races:

The following town board positions are up for election on April 4th. The position and current office holders are as follows:

Town Chairman: Rolly Bogert
Supervisor 1: Al Steck
Supervisor 2: Stan Hauser

First day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2016. Candidacy declarations, nomination papers and campaign registration must be filed no later than 5 pm on January 3, 2017.

<p>MONDAY 8:00 am - 5:00 pm TUESDAY 8:00 am - 5:00 pm WEDNESDAY 8:00 am - 5:00 pm THURSDAY 8:00 am- 5:00 pm FRIDAY 8:00 am – NOON</p> <p>*Closed for lunch from 12:00pm – 1:00pm</p>	<p>Closed:</p> <p>Friday, December 23, Monday, December 26, Friday, December 30 and Monday, January 2</p>
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