

## WHO'S WHO IN THE TOWN



### TOWN BOARD

Chairman: Tom Fankhauser (715-296-6258)

Supervisors: Bob Slagstad (715-790-4888)

Mark Kucko (715-236-7311)

Don Putnam (715-234-4702)

Dave Crotteau (715-434-4140)

### MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

**PHONE: 715-234-8087**

Clerk/Treasurer: Janet Tomesh

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer: Connie Kahl

Patrolmen: Ralph Henningsen and Dave Mani

Recycling Attendant: Dave Stepanek

Town Engineer: Stan Buchanan

### CONTRACTED SERVICES

Bldg. Inspector: Jim Heldstab (715-220-0259)

Town Assessor: Owen Assessing LLC (Kelly & Jack)  
8E571 810th Ave., Menomonie, WI 54751  
email: owenassessing@centurytel.net  
Phone & Fax: 715-643-2081

### PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

Bob Slagstad, Chairman

Delores Buesser, Secretary

Lorraine Barta Paul Buesser

Joyce Kringle Jo Murphy

Pete Schneider Kurt Wallace

Ex-Officio Members: Stan Buchanan, Town Engineer and  
Jim Heldstab, Building Inspector

### SWEDE CEMETERY

Located at the corner of 18th St. & 19th Ave.  
Lots are available for purchase at \$150 each.  
For more information, please contact the  
clerk's office.



## TOWN MEETING DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### Town Board Meetings:

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 pm, held at the Town  
Municipal Bldg.

### Town Planning Commission Meetings:

As needed on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7:00 pm, held at  
the Town Municipal Bldg.

**Town Caucus:** Will be held in January between the first and  
last Tuesday, per WI Stat 8.05(1). Date to be set at the  
December board meeting and notice will be published in the  
Chronotype the week prior to the caucus date. Offices up for  
election in 2015 include:

Chairman (Incumbent - Thomas Fankhauser)

Supervisor I (Incumbent - Robert Slagstad)

Supervisor II (Incumbent - Mark Kucko)

**Annual Town Meeting:** Tues. April 27, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

### 2015 Election Dates:

Spring Primary (if necessary): Tues., February 17, 2015

Spring Election: Tues., April 7, 2015

### TOWN OF RICE LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE

**Members:** Ray Cook, Chairman

Bob Slagstad, Secretary Tom Fankhauser

Emmett Engstrom Dave Edming

Meetings are held at the Town Municipal Building, 1830 Ma-  
cauley Ave., Rice Lake on a semi-annual basis, that being the  
first Monday in June and December at 8:30 a.m., or on an as  
needed basis.

A \$500 fee is imposed to property owners and/or responsible  
parties for fire/rescue calls responded to by the RLFD.

You can find informational Fire Education and Safety Tips,  
published by the National Fire Prevention Association (NDPA),  
on the Town's Website at townofricelake.com and click on the  
Fire Dept. tab.



## TOWN OF RICE LAKE BARRON COUNTY, WI

1830 Macauley Ave.

Rice Lake, WI 54868

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Email: townofrl@charter.net

Website: townofricelake.com

## TOWN OF RICE LAKE BARRON COUNTY, WI

# ANNUAL NEWSLETTER



### CLERK/TREASURER OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8:00 am—2:30 pm

Thursday: 12:00 pm—4:00 pm

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DECEMBER, 2014

## RECYCLING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY:

Our recycling center at 1830 Macauley Avenue now has summer & winter hours as follows:

Winter Hours                      Summer Hours

Mondays: 12:00 pm—6:00 pm    1:00 pm—7:00 pm

Saturdays: 8:00 am—12:00 pm    8:00 am—12:00 pm

Bring in your cardboard, plastics (#1 thru #7), glass, newspapers, magazines, office paper, junk mail, cans (aluminum & tin), dry cell batteries and scrap metal. The Town will provide each household up to two recycling containers to collect and carry your recyclables in. Watch for our white goods and electronics clean up day coming in April.



## RECYCLING FACTS

### DID YOU KNOW...

- *Recycling a stack of newspaper just 3 feet high saves one tree.* The Town of Rice Lake collected 27.84 tons in 2013.
- *Recycling a single aluminum can saves enough energy to power a TV for three hours.* The Town of Rice Lake collected 4.97 tons in 2013.
- *Recycling just one glass jar saves enough electricity to light an 11 watt CFL bulb for 20 hours.* The Town of Rice Lake collected 16.53 tons in 2013.
- *Recycling 1 ton of cardboard saves 46 gallons of oil.* The Town of Rice Lake collected 29.71 tons in 2013.
- *Recycling one ton of plastic bottles saves the equivalent energy usage of a two person household for one year.* The Town of Rice Lake collected 6.52 tons in 2013.

Source: <http://recycleacrossamerica.org/recycling-facts>



## SNOW NOTICE

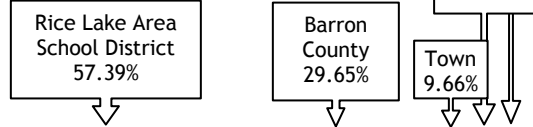
Please be advised that it is unlawful to plow snow from driveways across town roads or to park vehicles or equipment in the Town road right-of-way.

This practice is in violation of WI Stat. 346.94 (5) and violators are subject to penalties.

## WHERE DO YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO

**Tax Levy Total for 2014 is \$3,809,047.40**  
(including Lake Rehab District & prior to school tax credit)

State of Wisconsin \$36,156.08 (0.95%)  
Barron County \$1,129,367.74 (29.65%)  
Town of Rice Lake \$367,827.00 (9.66%)  
WITC \$77,151.73 (2.03%)  
RL Area Schools \$2,186,137.03 (57.39%)  
Lake Rehab District \$12,407.82 (0.33%)



## TAX PAYMENT DUE DATES & DETAILS

**1st Installment** - Due by January 31, 2015, payable to the Town of Rice Lake by any of the following means:

1. **By Mail** - payable to the Town of Rice Lake, 1830 Macauley Ave., Rice Lake, WI 54868. **ATTENTION - NO RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED UNLESS A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE IS PROVIDED!**
2. **In Person** - during the following hours:
  - \* Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8:00 am to 12:30 pm
  - \* Thursdays 12:00 pm to 5:30 pm
3. **Online** (log on to [townofricelake.com](http://townofricelake.com) and click on the Tax Payment Information Tab) or by Phone (877-798-2040) -Service fees will apply as follows:
  - \* **Credit Card** - 2.39% of the payment amount
  - \* **VISA Debit Card** - Fixed rate fee of \$3.95
  - \* **ACH Direct Debit from a checking or savings account** - Fixed rate fee of \$1.50

**2nd Installment** - Due by July 31, 2015, payable to the Barron County Treasurer at 335 E. Monroe Ave., Room 2412, Barron, WI 54812. County Treasurer contact info: Phone (715-537-6280) Email [bctreas@co.barron.wi.us](mailto:bctreas@co.barron.wi.us)  
For past & current tax payment records go online to: <http://www.co.barron.wi.us/GCSWebPortal/Search.aspx>



## **ATTENTION DOG OWNERS**

**FAILURE TO LICENSE YOUR DOG COULD RESULT IN A BARRON COUNTY FINE OF \$169 FOR FIRST TIME OFFENDERS!**

In accordance with State Statute 174.05 and 95.21(2) and Barron County Ordinances, all dogs 5 months of age and older are required to be vaccinated for rabies and licensed. To obtain a dog license, simply submit a copy of your dog's RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE and the applicable fee (\$6 for spayed/neutered or \$11 for unaltered) to the Clerk's Office. A \$6.00 late fee will be added for applications received after March 31 for all dogs owned for more than one month and older than five months in age.

**LANDLORDS:** All landlords with rental property located in the Town of Rice Lake, please pass the dog licensing requirements on to your tenants.

**BARKING & ROAMING:** Both the Town and the County have ordinances prohibiting dogs from running at large and/or barking excessively. Please comply with these laws by keeping your pets leashed or fenced at all times, and if necessary, use barking restraints. To report violations, contact the Barron County Humane Officer at 715-537-3106 or the Town Chairman at 715-296-6258.

**The Town of Rice Lake requires permits and/or approval for each of the following:**



- **Burning Permits** (required year round & not issued on Sundays or Holidays) - contact the Town Board Chairman or any Supervisor. Permits are free, but if you burn without one or the Fire Dept is called to respond, there is a \$500 fire call fee plus violation fees. If rental property, Landlords are responsible for fees if tenants fail to pay.
- **Building Permits** - contact the Building Inspector
- **Utility Excavation Permits** -contact the Town Clerk
- **Driveway Permits** - contact the Town Board Chairman, Building Inspector, or the Town Clerk
- **Variances, Special Exceptions, Rezoning, & Land Divisions** -contact the Planning Commission Chairman or the Town Clerk.

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