

## 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  
Fire Inspector: Ralph Henningsen  
Patrolmen: Al Shultz and Ralph Henningsen  
Recycling Attendant: Carl Shultz  
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 Joyce Kringle  
Mark Rogstad Pete Schneider  
Paul Buesser Kurt Wallace

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

## 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 2013 include Chairman (Incumbent – Tom Fankhauser), Supervisor I (Incumbent - Robert Slagstad), and Supervisor II (Incumbent—Mark Kucko).

**Annual Town Meeting:** Tues., April 22, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.

### 2013 Election Dates:

Spring Primary (if required): Tues., February 19, 2013  
Spring Election: Tues., April 2, 2013



### RECYCLING FAST FACTS

**DID YOU KNOW...** The United States is the #1 trash-producing country in the world at 1,609 pounds per person per year. This means that 5% of the world's population generate 40% of the world's waste.

Source: [Recycling-revolution.com](http://Recycling-revolution.com)

*It takes approximately 1 million years for a glass bottle to break down at the landfill and plastics require 100 to 400 years.*

Source: EPA

*Recycling a one-gallon plastic milk jug will save enough energy to keep a hundred-watt light bulb burning for 11 hours.*

Source: *The Society of the Plastics Industry*

*Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a television for three hours.*

Source: *Can Manufacturers Institute*

TOWN OF RICE LAKE  
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TOWN OF RICE LAKE  
BARRON COUNTY,

# ANNUAL NEWSLETTER



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**REMINDER - SECOND INSTALLMENTS OF  
REAL ESTATE TAXES ARE DUE BY  
JULY 31, 2013**

All tax payments made after January 31, 2013 must be made payable to the Barron County Treasurer and mailed to 335 E. Monroe Ave., Room 2412, Barron, WI 54812.

**Contact Information for the Barron County  
Treasurer:**

Yvonne Ritchie, Treasurer  
Phone (715) 537-6280 Fax (715) 537-6277  
Email bctreas@co.barron.wi.us

**TOWN OF RICE LAKE  
FIRE INSPECTION  
DEPARTMENT #03030**



The Town's Fire Inspector for Commercial Buildings is Ralph Henningsen. 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 then click on the Fire Dept. tab.

**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 Macauley 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.



**SNOW NOTICE**

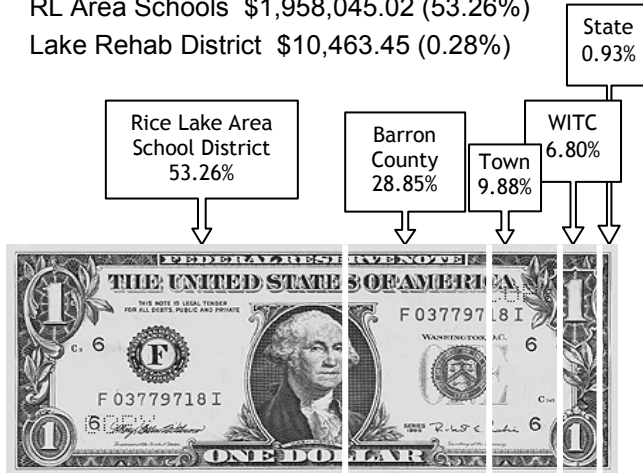
Please be advised that it is unlawful to plow snow from driveways across town roads.

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 2012 is \$3,676,652.68  
(including Lake Rehab District)  
prior to school tax credit**

State of Wisconsin \$34,166.05 (0.93%)  
Barron County \$1,060,612.72 (28.85%)  
Town of Rice Lake \$363,361.00 (9.88%)  
WITC \$250,004.44 (6.80%)  
RL Area Schools \$1,958,045.02 (53.26%)  
Lake Rehab District \$10,463.45 (0.28%)



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

- Burning Permits – contact the Town Board Chairman or any Supervisor.
- 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, Rezonings, & Land Divisions—contact the Planning Commission Chairman or the Town Clerk.

All contact numbers are listed in this newsletter under the "Who's Who in the Town" section.



**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. Dog license applications are available on the Town's website at townofricelake.com under the "Forms and Permits" tab. To obtain a license, simply submit the application, 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.



**RECYCLING IS EVERYONE'S  
RESPONSIBILITY:**

Our recycling center at 1830 Macauley Avenue is open on Mondays from 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. – noon. Bring in your cardboard, plastics (#1 thru #7), glass, newspapers, magazines, office paper, junk mail, cans (aluminum & tin), 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.