

Dog License Reminders



The Town of Dodgeville would like to remind residents that all dogs must be licensed whether the dog is an outside dog or an inside dog. All residents are required to license ALL dogs that live on their premises. The Town of Dodgeville is working very diligently to get as many people to license their animals as we feel the licensing is very important for our safety and yours. The Town of Dodgeville has sent out renewal forms to current licensed dog owners. We have also included an application with the tax bills to remind Town residents to please license their dog(s). Please remember these five things:

- All dogs over five (5) months of age are required to have both a current rabies vaccination and county dog license and are required to wear both tags at all times with a few exceptions.
- Any new dog brought into Iowa County must be licensed within 30 days of its arrival.
- Dog licenses are valid for one calendar year, January 1st thru December 31st of the same year.
- The licensing deadline is April 1st each year; failure to license by this date will result in late penalties and/or the issuance of citations from the Iowa County Humane Officer.
- It is a pet owner's responsibility to ensure that ALL DOGS are licensed as required by law. Reminders are sent out by municipalities as a courtesy only and do not relieve the pet owner of the obligation to be in compliance with the vaccination and licensing requirements.

Town News, Important Information & Updates E-mail List

The Town of Dodgeville will provide the Town of Dodgeville residents with supplementary information via e-mail as social media becomes more popular and postage continues to increase. This is not in lieu of getting all specific information (newsletter and tax bills) by mail. If you would be interested in receiving additional correspondence via e-mail, please e-mail your physical address and e-mail address to twnclerk@mhtc.net. Town residents will be responsible for maintaining a valid e-mail address on file with the Clerk/Treasurer.

Town Contacts are as follows:

Curt Peterson, Chairman 935-9023
David Gollon, Supervisor 935-2098
David Blume, Supervisor 341-0062
Peter Vanderloo, Supervisor 341-8643
Kyle Levetzow, Supervisor 935-3797
Town Hall 935-5808
Normal Business hours are Monday - Thursday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The voicemail at the Town Hall will be changed when the Clerk is out of the office for meetings, training, vacation, illness, etc. If you have correspondence for the Clerk/Treasurer and she is not in the office you may place it in the black mailbox located outside the Town Hall.

New Full-Time Town Patrolman

The Town Board has hired Randy Beerkircher as Dodgeville's new full-time Town Patrolman. Randy and his wife Chris have lived in Eden Township for the last 28 years. They have two adult children: Kristin and Kory.

Randy has been a State Highway Patrolman for Iowa County Highway Department for the last 17 years as well as a part-time patrolman for the Township for the past 3 years.

When you have the opportunity please welcome Randy Beerkircher to our township!

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TOWN OF DODGEVILLE NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2017

Property Tax Facts - Dodgeville School District

Jurisdiction	2016 Tax Rate	2017 Tax Rate	Dollar Amount Change
State of Wisconsin	0.15955	0.00	(\$0.16 cents)
Iowa County	5.96725	5.94398	(\$0.02 cents)
Town of Dodgeville	2.27173	2.26941	(Less than 1 cent)
SW Tech College	1.17723	1.14826	(\$0.03) cent
Sub-Total	9.57576	9.36165	(\$0.21) cents
Dodgeville School	10.81709	10.44344	(\$0.37) cents
Less State Schl Credit	-1.97615	-2.03153	\$0.06 cents
Final Net Mill Rate	18.4167	17.773	(\$0.64) cents

The Dollar Amount change is an approximation only

The chart above breaks down the total mill rate for 2017 by jurisdictions. The total mill rate for parcels in the Dodgeville School District decreased by approximately \$0.64 per thousand dollars of evaluation. The vast majority of the decrease was from the Dodgeville School District and the State of Wisconsin as indicated in the chart. This means that a taxpayer that has approximately \$200,000 in assessed value could see a decrease of approximately \$128.00. The mill rate for the River Valley School District is \$16.537.

2017 Township Highlights

The Town of Dodgeville had a very successful year in maintaining the roadways and equipment. The Township purchased a 2018 Mack tandem dump truck and completed several road projects. The Town of Dodgeville was awarded TRIP (Town Road Improvement Program) funds in 2017 for repaving a small portion of Survey Road in the amount of \$42,059.09 and \$22,002.18 from Iowa County 50/50 culvert project funding. The Township is also receiving funding thru the Local Bridge Program (80% federal, 10% state, 10% local) to replace the existing bridge on Survey Road Bridge by the intersection of Roh Rd which is slated to take place in 2019. The Town of Dodgeville repaved a portion of Berg Rd and portions of Survey Road. The following roads were sealcoated: Bell Court, Penny Lane, Green Leaf Drive, Rowe Road, Chris-Na-Mar Road, Brue Road and completed overlays on Miess Rd, Lehner Road, Brennan Road, Blotz Road. Road project expenditures in 2017 were approximately \$411,000.00.



Recycling Center Reminders

The Town of Dodgeville wants to remind all residents that the Recycling Center **will not** accept any construction materials (windows, doors, siding, shingles, etc.) or large items (box springs, furniture, microwaves, electronics, large items made of wood, brush, etc) during regular garbage collection times. These large materials can cause our recycling center attendant to become injured in disposing of the item due to their size and weight. These large items are to be brought into the Spring or Fall Clean-Up only. The Town of Dodgeville's ordinance currently states that only household waste may be brought to the Recycling Center during normal business hours.

If you are remodeling you need to have a dumpster on site. Individuals, not taxpayers, are responsible for disposal of construction waste.

The Town of Dodgeville Recycling Center **will not ever accept** the following items for disposal: Used Oil, Paint in liquid form, Varnishes, Fire Extinguishers, Hazardous Materials such as cleaner's, Anti-freeze or Tar. If you need to dispose of these items you may contact Clerk/Treasurer Sara Olson for some information on places or events that take these particular items.

Please do not park near the sanding material storage area during a snow or ice event. This creates a safety issue for our Town Patrolman who are trying to load the trucks with sanding material.

Burning Permits

Burning Permits are required by **all township residents** who are going to burn. The following are exempt from this permit requirement:

- A) Persons who burn materials in a stove, furnace or incinerator inside a building.
- B) Persons who burn charcoal or other combustible materials for domestic cooking outdoors.
- C) Persons who burn brush and other combustibles outdoors at any time during the months of June through December, and when the ground is completely snow covered during the months of January through May, unless a burn ban is declared.

ALL FIRES must be attended when burning and completely extinguished prior to leaving. Burning permits are required anytime the ground is not completely snow covered January 1st - May 31st. Persons wishing to burn may obtain a burning permit by going to the DNR website <http://dnr.wi.gov/burnpermits/> or by stopping into the Town Hall during normal business hours. Failure to comply with these restrictions may result in a citation from the Department of Natural Resources. The DNR office has declared Sara Olson (Town Clerk/Treasurer) as the Emergency Fire Warden for the Town of Dodgeville. Sara Olson may be reached at (608) 935-5808 during normal business hours Monday - Friday or you may stop by the Town Hall at 108 E. Leffler Street, Dodgeville.

BURNING PERMITS ARE FREE.



Town Election Information

IMPORTANT ELECTION INFORMATION

Deadlines for the 2018 Spring Election are quickly approaching. If you are thinking of running for an elected position, now is the time to get materials together and declare your candidacy! The Spring Election will be on Tuesday, April 4, 2018 and candidacy filing for that election is due by January 2, 2018. The important dates are as follows:

December 1, 2017	First day to circulate nomination papers
December 22, 2017	Deadline to submit notification of non-candidacy
January 2, 2018	Deadline to submit nomination papers (5:00 p.m.)
February 20, 2018	Spring Primary Election
April 3, 2018	Spring General Election

The Town of Dodgeville will have two positions expiring in April 2018. They are Town Supervisors David Gollon and Peter Vanderloo. They have the option of seeking re-election. Any qualified residents of the town can run for one of the positions. To run for one of these positions you must be a qualified elector, which means a United States Citizen, 18 years or older, and have resided in the Town of Dodgeville for a minimum of ten consecutive days at the time of filing your candidacy papers.

All positions serve a two year term, and the responsibilities are defined in State Statutes. In general Town Board Supervisors oversee: employees, contracts, roads, taxation, budgets, public works, land use and planning. They are paid a annual salary of \$250.00 and a per diem per board meeting for their work.

Having the time to commit to any elected position is important. The Town of Dodgeville Board has monthly regular board meetings the first Tuesday of each month in the evening and sporadic additional special meetings. Participation is not limited to once a month meetings. Some Town Board members serve on the Plan Commission or other sub-committees, attend County/State/Federal meetings, attend training sessions, conduct site visits (roads, developments), and spend time educating and communicating with constituents about issues.

Snow Plowing Etiquette Reminders

The Town of Dodgeville wanted to remind individuals of the following:

- Please don't put debris, materials or other objects in the road right-of-way without obtaining proper approval from the Town of Dodgeville. The Town of Dodgeville has the right to request that these items be removed at the individual's expense.
- The Township has the right to bill for any damages that are caused by your equipment (skid steers, plows, etc.) on the roadway or in the right-of-way.
- Per State Statues 86.01, 86.07 and 346.97, it is illegal for persons to leave deposits of any materials on highways. This includes snow from a private driveway. Fines of up to \$200 for persistent or repeated violations may be levied.
- Please make sure that you are depositing the snow from your private driveway on your own property.
- The Town does not have an obligation to clear snow out of or away from driveway entrances.
- The Township wants to remind residents to shovel around their mailboxes to prevent damage from snow discharged from the plow.
- The Town's goal is to maintain the roads in good winter driving conditions as weather, equipment, and budgets allow.
- Please give the plow trucks extra room, and be patient if you get behind one.
- Please do not park vehicles in the road right-of-way as this creates a safety hazard.