

LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

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Happy New Year!



From the Front Lines:

Dog license whether new or renewal are due April 1

\$3.00 if altered \$8.00 not altered

You must have certificate from your vet of the dog's current rabies shot showing the expiration date, the name of the pharmaceutical producer and serial number of the shot and your vet's name or company name



Important Dates

January 18 – Board Meeting – 7 PM
January 25 – Plan Commission – 9 AM
January 26 - MSHA Class
Registration forms due January 15

February 1 – Board Meeting – 7 PM February 8 – Plan Commission – 9 AM

So many restaurants are closed this time of year and not all of us leave for warmer weather or want to eat every meal at home:



REMEMBER

A delicious and nutritious lunch is provided by

The Senior Resource Center At the Liberty Grove Town Hall

Monday, Wednesday and Friday Every week, except on Holidays. Come and have lunch with us!

Call 888-743-7844 X2542 24 hrs before the first time you come.

From your Chairman – John Lowry

At the first meeting of the New Year the Board approved the payment of 36 checks totaling \$77,247.08. One payment of \$13,367.36 was to Compass Minerals for 205.81 tons of salt. Just as a quick reminder that the largest portion of our yearly budget goes to Public Works, which in part is the maintenance of our 100 plus miles of Town Roads. The salt is mixed with sand and stored in a building behind the Town Hall to be used in treating snow and ice on our roads.

The board also reviewed a new report from Treasurer Johnson showing the Budget vs Actual expenditures. Supervisor Mulliken suggest this addition to the monthly treasurer's report to provide the Board and public with additional information the Town's operation.

Strategic Governmental Resources, based in Keller, Texas, forwarded their suggestions for New year's Resolutions for Elected Officials:

In electing me to office, my fellow citizens have entrusted me with the sacred duty of shaping the future of our community. Because I am committed to creating a future that is brighter and healthier and more beneficial to all citizens than when I was called to lead. I will:

- 1. Base my decisions on the next generation more than the next election, committed to the ideal that my loyalty must be to the entire community (both now and in the future) and not merely to those who got me elected.
- 2. Focus on mission, vision and values as the benchmark for my decisions and recognize that my responsibility is the pursuit of the greatest good for the entire community and not the satisfaction of any particular group's agenda.
- 3. Make decisions based on fact based evidence and not allow myself to be manipulated into bad decisions for the future based on the decibel level of critics.
- 4. Recognize that "it takes a smart man to know where he is stupid" and have the wisdom to be smart. Accordingly, I will value those who have the courage to tell me what they really think and will listen sincerely to those who disagree with me to truly understand their perspective, recognizing that understanding other perspectives makes me a better leader.
- 5. Embrace my responsibility to govern rather than to manage; recognizing that if I am doing staff's job I am not doing my job, while also understanding and embracing the appropriately exercised governance role of holding staff accountable.
- 6. Place a greater emphasis on solutions than on problems; while refusing to offer solutions before I understand the problem.
- 7. Understand that mutual trust is the foundation for everything and that if I refuse to trust others they will be unable to trust me.
- 8. Protect the integrity of the process more than the rightness of my position. I will fight hard for my issue but then unify behind the governing body when the decision is made because the decision was made with integrity of process, even if I disagree with the outcome.
- 9. Understand that my deeply held beliefs, values and positions will be strengthened, not compromised by courteous, respectful and civil discourse. I will not treat someone as the enemy just because we disagree.
- 10. Treat everyone with dignity and respect because of who I am as a leader...not because of how they treat me or what I think about them.
- 11. Be a role model for civility. I will not treat my colleagues or staff in any way that I would be embarrassed if my five year old child treated someone the same way.

Twelve Principles of Servant Leadership

1. Listening

2. Empathy

3. Nurture the Spirit

4. Building community

5. Healing

6. Awareness

7. Calling

8. Conceptualization

9. Foresight

10. Persuasion

11. Growth of People

12. Stewardship

Notes from your Town Board

Administrator - Oct. 13th was the annual Clerk/Treasurer's meeting at the county. A new form is now required from the state that will show on your tax bill what portion is attributed to referenda and town resolutions that are not continuous.

Newport Ln - is complete and we have gotten a few driveway permits in.

Recycling contract – The contract was reviewed by Janet Johnson. The only difference is an increase in cost from \$.041 per pound to \$.0435 per pound. Goss asked that Going try to keep the bees under control in late summer. She was told that they did put bee catchers in the comingled bins this summer.

Charging station in Liberty Grove – Mulliken said that his business had several people with electric cars this year. Farber read that more companies are starting to make them at more affordable prices so we will be seeing more of them on the road. Covotsos said that our comprehensive plan suggests we take environmentally friendly action whenever we can. A station has been secured from the tourism bureau and will be installed by next summer.

Resolution 11-16 – the resolution was generated congratulating Baileys Harbor on being named 13th most comfortable place to visit nationwide.

Resolution 12-16 - Request to the Department of Transportation for safety on Hwy 42. (At the Grandview Park area) The full resolution can be read on the Town website. DOT has acknowledged receipt and has asked the Traffic Unit to investigate and report back to the Town Administrator.

Ordinance 7-16 —To regulate Invasive Species in the town of Liberty Grove. The full ordinance can be read on the Town of Liberty Grove website and there are informational pamphlets available at the Town office.

Election of Board members – The terms of office for **John Lowry, Nancy Goss and Gary** Farber are up this year. They have each filed the proper papers and signatures in order to run again and are **unopposed**.



It's that time of year again!

Our road crew is working hard to make sure our roads are as clear and safe as possible in the harshest weather of the year.

Please do your part:

- 1. Slow Down
- 2. Drive defensively leave plenty of room between yourself and others during slippery conditions.
- 3. Make sure your car is roadworthy for the winter.
- 4. Stay home when you can.

There are **two** computers with a WiFi connection available for public use **inside** the Town Hall. Office hours are 8:30 am to 4:00.





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FALL/WINTER/SPRING HOURS Oct 26, 2015 – MAY 28, 2016

Monday10:00 am - 7:00 pmTuesday1:00 pm - 7:00 pmWednesday10:00 am - 5:00 pmFriday10:00 am - 4:00 pmSaturday10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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