

LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

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Important Dates

Sept. 20th – Town Board meeting Sept. 16th – Electronic recycle and shred day

Sept 14 & 19-Finance meetings-working sessions but open to the public.

Sept. 26 – Budget informational meetings



APPLE SEASON HAS ARRIVED!

Even the year round residents should take time to visit some of the Northern Door County farm markets. Fresh fruits and vegetables are at their best.

FROM YOUR TOWN CHAIRMAN

pale Stewart is the newest member of the Highway Committee after Mike Walker submitted his resignation and Dale accepted the invitation to be appointed to the committee. Road maintenance and the related equipment are vital to the Town's economy and public safety. The committee members will select a new chairperson at their upcoming meeting.

The Finance Committee is hard at work on the 2018 budget. Public informational meetings will be held again to explain the budget to interested citizens. Committee members have been advised that to maintain the current level of services a levy override will most likely be needed when planning the 2019 budget. The Town property tax may not change drastically with an override. The two major bonds and the interest paid on them will both be paid in full during 2018. The bonds were for the North Fire Station and the Town hall and offices.

The Board has authorized legal action against the Village of Sister Bay regarding the sale of the Larson property south of Ellison Bay. The Town helped fund the acquisition of the property and maintains it has an equity interest and should receive its fair portion of the proceeds from that sale. The Village has not responded to formal requests for that payment, although they indicated it was set aside in a special account. Subsequently they made a unilateral decision to tie the proceeds of the sale to the decision of plant ownership which is also in litigation. The Town has asked consideration of a commission to operate the facility which we believe would eliminate the partisanship on both municipalities when decisions are made regarding the treatment plant operation. Liberty Grove has over the years provided a considerable amount of capital investment in the facility as part of our commitment to offer services to Liberty Grove.

From your Town Board:

Ordinance approvals – The Town Board approved a revised cemetery ordinance, an ordinance requiring a permit to bore under town roads and a Broadband Forward Certificate ordinance were approved. Ordinances can be found on the town web site, www.libertygrove.org.



Snowmobile route - A request from the snowmobile club to use town road right-of-ways as ways to connect to the routes was approved.

Ellison Bay Marina - The marina in downtown Ellison Bay will be closing for slip rentals as of Sept. 15, 2017 in order to allow some much needed repair work to begin. The launch ramp will remain open as long as possible.

Recycling and paper shredding - There will be another chance to recycle electronics and household appliances or shred sensitive documents on Sept. 16th from 9:00am until 1:00pm. This is for Liberty Grove and the Village of Sister Bay residents only. Document shredding is limited to 5 banker boxes per household. Be sure heavy clips, binders or plastic covers are removed.

Finance Committee meetings – Finance met on August 29th to begin forming the 2018 budget. The next meeting will be Sept. 14th. Watch the town web site calendar for meeting dates if you wish to sit in on their working sessions.

A reminder to all new residents of Liberty Grove

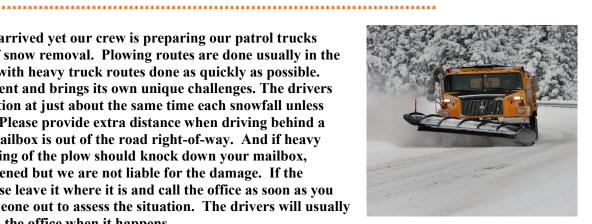
At this time the town does not provide garbage pickup at your residence. That must be arranged through private garbage hauling companies that might service your road. The town does provide a recycling drop off site at Going Garbage on Old Stage Rd. There you can bring in your Liberty Grove recycling divided into two separations. One is flattened cardboard, newspapers, magazines and junk mail. Cardboard items should not be wet and free of food or bathroom debris. The other is aluminum cans, tin cans, plastics numbered 1-7 and unbroken glass bottles and jars. All lids from bottles and jars should be removed and thrown in regular trash. All food containers should be rinsed out well. Items not allowed are Styrofoam and plastic bags. Foil trays can be recycled if they have been completely cleaned out.

************************* Getting rid of hazardous waste.

The Door County Highway Department's next hazardous waste collection will not be until sometime in 2018. The expense of sponsoring this limits them to every other year. When the town has a date for this it will be in the newsletter as well as on the town web site. You can also take these items to the Brown County Household Hazardous Waste facility, 2561 S. Broadway, Green Bay. Their phone number is 920-492-4950. Charges may apply.

A reminder to all dog owners – every year your dog is to be registered in the town. This should be done not sooner than December 1st but by April 1st to avoid late charges. Bring in a copy of the rabies certificate showing the name of the dog, color, breed, and the manufacturer of the serum given as well as the lot number. The current charges are \$3.00 for neutered/spayed animals and \$8.00 otherwise. You can mail your request to the office, 11161 Old Stage Rd, Sister Bay, WI 54234 with payment and copy as well. A tag will be mailed back to you.

Even though it hasn't arrived yet our crew is preparing our patrol trucks for the difficult task of snow removal. Plowing routes are done usually in the same order each time with heavy truck routes done as quickly as possible. Each snowfall is different and brings its own unique challenges. The drivers should be at your location at just about the same time each snowfall unless conditions prevent it. Please provide extra distance when driving behind a truck. Be sure your mailbox is out of the road right-of-way. And if heavy snow coming off the wing of the plow should knock down your mailbox, we are sorry this happened but we are not liable for the damage. If the truck hits the box please leave it where it is and call the office as soon as you can. We will send someone out to assess the situation. The drivers will usually report any hit boxes to the office when it happens.



With so much going on in government today it is hard to think that joining an organization can make a difference.

Our local organizations exist because of people volunteering their time to make a difference in the community that they live in. The three primary organizations in Liberty Grove are the Liberty Grove Historical Society, Door County North, and the Ellison Bay Service Club. The first two have web sites which you can visit to learn more about what they do. The Service Club has a Facebook page. Think about giving one or more of them some of your time and help make a difference here.





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 and play
bingo on Wednesdays!

Call **888-743-1844 X2542 24 hrs before the first time you come.

**Note: Previous newsletters had an incorrect phone number

Budget informational meetings scheduled.

Sept. 26th at either 1:00pm or 7:00pm

This is your opportunity to come and ask the Board and Finance committee members how the proposed budget numbers were arrived at and ask questions and make suggestions. The Budget hearing follows on October 17th at 7:00pm.



A broken clock is right twice each day.

Electronic Recycling and paper shredding!!!



Saturday, Sept. 16th from 9:00am until 1:00pm Liberty Grove and Sister Bay Residents only Household appliances accepted as well.

As in past years the Town and the Village co-sponsor this event to help residents safely remove old electronics and appliances from their home. There is also paper shredding of sensitive documents on the same day. (Limit of 5 banker boxes per household or business) There are minimal charges for some electronics listed in the blue box on this page. You can also find a list of these items on the Town's web site.



Free: Towers, laptops, keyboards and mouse Cell phones Servers Wire and cabling Copiers, printers, fax machines Phone systems DVD or VCR Stereo's or CD players Rechargeable batteries Household appliances, big or small Anything metal For a fee: Monitors \$10 TV \$15 TV over 30" \$30 Console TV \$30 Freon units \$5 (This list may not be all inclusive.)