

# LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

## Featured Business

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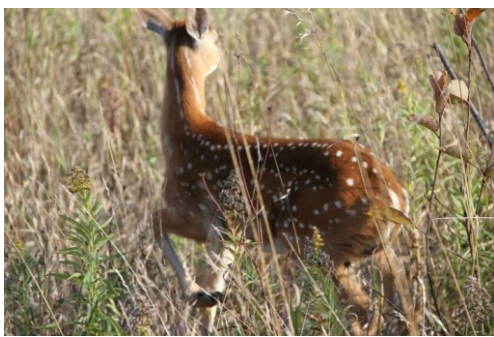
## Important Dates

May 16 – Town Board meeting at 7:00pm

May 28 – Town Hall closed for holiday

June 13 – Revised Smart Growth Plan  
review at 7:00pm

June 23 – Electronic recycling and document  
shredding from 9:00 until 1:00pm.



*Has Spring sprung at last?*

*Deer will be out soon with the new fawns. Enjoy the wild  
life and scenic vistas by using safe speeds on our Town  
roads.*

## **FROM YOUR TOWN CHAIRMAN**

Supervisor Bob Tidball along with Hugh Mulliken and Tom Goss have been appointed to the Town's Utility District #1 committee replacing Fred Anderson and Keith Bridenhagen. A special thank you to Fred and Keith for their many years of service to the Town on the committee. The three new members are the Liberty Grove representatives on the Sister Bay Liberty Grove Utility Committee. They will oversee the operations of our district with firsthand knowledge of the SB/LG happenings. Waste water and water service is provided to the Town by the plant and well located in Sister Bay. It encompasses properties along Highway 42 north to Beach Road and partially along Beach Road and Hill Road within the Town. The remaining area of the Town comprises the Town's Sanitary District. More information is available at the Town Office.

The new NWTC Learning and Innovation Center is now officially open following the ribbon cutting ceremony on Monday, May 7th. It was my honor to represent the Town as a member of the ceremony. The facility represents a great opportunity for all of northern door residents to learn new skills, gain additional education, plan and develop new businesses and support the community with great educational opportunities. The original underlying motivation for the facility was to enhance the economy of northern door, retain and attract younger families and overall serve the community with additional educational opportunities. If you have not visited the facility please stop and do so. It is very impressive and needs our strong support. Nicolet National Bank partnered with NWTC to bring the facility to our communities.

The Board, following approval of the Annual Town Meeting, has authorized the purchase of property across from The Viking Restaurant in Ellison Bay. Funds for the purchase were given to the Town by a group that wished to remain anonymous with no expenditure for the purchase by the Town. Offers to several property owners in Gills Rock have also been made per the approval at the Annual Town Meeting.

## From your Town Board:

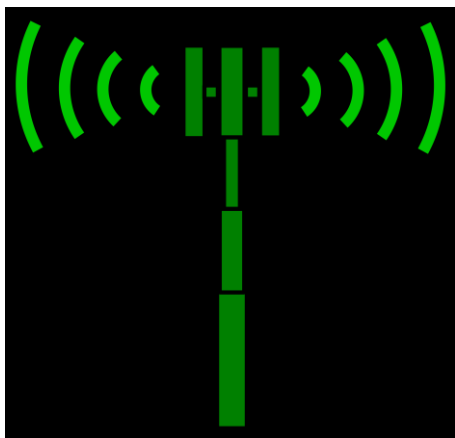


**Annual Town meeting** – The Annual meeting was held on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Robert Tidball was sworn in as a new Town Supervisor. The citizens authorized the board to pursue purchasing the parking property across from the Viking Restaurant and to begin negotiations with a few property owners in Gills Rock along the water.

**Committee appointments** – Bob Tidball, Hugh Mulliken and Tom Goss have been appointed to the Sister Bay Utility committee and the Utility Dist. #1 committee.

**Parks & Property** – Parks & Property committee recommended to the Town Board to install speed signs at the north and south ends of Highway 42 in Ellison Bay proper and also place pedestrian crossing signs along Hwy 42. Both suggestions were approved in hopes of slowing cars down that are using the highway.

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### TECH COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES EXCITING NEWS

On January 17<sup>th</sup> of this year the Town Board approved a grant application with the Public Service Commission for funding for internet improvements. The Town formed a joint venture agreement with DC Broadband in hopes of the grant being awarded. On April 12<sup>th</sup> we received confirmation that the Town has been awarded the full grant amount. We will now begin working with DC Broadband to install some extra towers and improve the equipment that is on existing towers to enhance connectivity throughout the Town.

A big thank you to David Studebaker and members of Door County Broadband for all their hard work putting together the grant application and thank you to everyone who responded to the survey. Your actions helped to get our grant approved.

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### Trash Cans in a few parks.

It has been decided that we will one more time to provide trash and recycling containers in 3 of the more heavily used parks. Our hopes are that the trials in the past won't repeat themselves. These will be containers with small openings for picnic trash and containers that should be recycled. They will be placed at Wills Park, the Ellison Bay Community Center and Fitzgerald Park. Their placement will be monitored. Hopefully people will use them appropriately.

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### *Work to begin soon on the Porte des Morts park staircase.*

It started with a request from the Neptune Dive Club to build a staircase down to the water from the Porte des Morts park. With the help of grant money and contributions from both the Town and the dive club the staircase is finally going in. This will help divers get to the waters of Death's Door to explore sunken ships from long ago. Local tradesmen will be working on this project this summer for completion to take place sometime in June or July. The staircase is available for any citizen to use. We ask that everyone be mindful of the importance of the escarpment when exploring the shore. Please leave what is there right where it is.



### **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*

### ORGANIZATIONS IN LIBERTY GROVE

Some community groups you may want to follow:

Door County North-local business organization promoting and supporting this area.

[www.doorcountynorth.net](http://www.doorcountynorth.net)

Liberty Grove Historical Society- supporting the past, present and future of Liberty Grove.

[www.libertygrovehistorical.org](http://www.libertygrovehistorical.org)

Ellison Bay Service Group- involved in the day to day community.

[www.facebook.com/ellisonbayserviceclubdc](https://www.facebook.com/ellisonbayserviceclubdc)



**Nature abhors a vacuum, but not as much as a cat does.**

### HATS OFF TO OUR HIGHWAY CREW

Starting overnight on April 13, 14 and 15 Mother Nature threw us a one-two punch that was one for the books. Northern Door County had about 24" of wet snow fall, some areas getting 30" over this time period. Our highway crew plowed on Saturday during a break in the weather but was not able to safely work on Sunday due to wind and white out conditions. By Monday late afternoon most of the snow had been cleared in spite of being down one man and one plow truck disabled. This event also brought the extra challenge of wet snow on already soggy gravel roads. We plow 105 miles of roads. Not every road can be first. We thank everyone for their patience during this unusual weather event. It is just another example of life in a rural northern Wisconsin town.

### *Premier Resort Tax in Sister Bay*

For those who may not be aware starting on July 1, 2018 the sales tax in the Village of Sister Bay will go to 6%. That includes a .5% tax called Premier Resort Tax. After checking on the Wisconsin Department of Revenue's web site, Publication 403, it appears that all establishments in the Village that charge sales tax will be affected by this tax. If you have any questions on this increase you should contact the Village Administration office at 920-854-4118.

# Electronic Recycling and paper shredding!!!

Saturday, June 23rd 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 later this month.



## Free:

Computer 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.)