

LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

Featured Business

Grandma's Swedish Bakery Rowleys Bay Resort 1041 County Road ZZ Ellison Bay, WI 54210 (920) 854-2385

Important Dates

April 16th Annual Town Meeting 7pm April 17th Board Meeting 7pm May 1st Board Meeting 7pm

All meetings at the Town Hall

In every walk with nature, one receives far more than he seeks... John Muir

FROM THE TOWN CHAIRMAN

The Annual Spring Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday April 16th beginning at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall. State Statute 60.11(6) spells out the jurisdiction of the Annual Meeting. Information is available on the Town Web Site. This is a great opportunity for Town residents to obtain information about the Town government and give input and direction to the Town Board.

At last year's meeting a motion was introduced to request the Town Board to pursue the purchase of several Gills Rock shore front properties. As a result of that directive three parcels have been purchased and a task force of citizens gathered information from citizens as to what would be the best use for those shore-front parcels. Three informational sessions were held at the NWTC campus in Sister Bay. In addition a representative from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation moderated an input session from interested parties at the Town Hall. The task force, based on the results of those meetings, developed a survey that was sent to property owners in the Town. A report of the survey will be presented at the Annual Town Meeting. I

Attendees at the Annual Meeting will also hear a report from our accounting firm information on the financial health of the Town and Committee Chairs will provide information on their committees.

The new NWTC facility in Sister Bay is approaching a one-year anniversary since opening last May. An update on that first year of operation will also be presented at the Annual Meeting.

A list of the various committees is available on the Town Web Site as well as agendas and minutes. Committee work is very important in the operation of Town Government and a great way to serve our community. Persons interested in serving on a committee are encourage to contact the Town Office.

From your Town Board-

No fee permits for agricultural commercial vehicles – These permits give businesses operating implements of husbandry the Town's blessing to use certain Town roads. Rio Creek Feed Mill has applied for these permits. **Lowry moved, Schwengel second** to approve the no fee permits as presented. Carried 5-0.

Purchase of John & Laverne Olson property: Goss moved, Lowry second Carried 5-0.

Phase I environmental for Olson purchase. Lowry moved, Ward second to approve the Phase I study for the John & Laverne Olson purchase at 11976 STH 42. Carried 5-0.



Weight Limits on Roads
The following roads have weight limits placed on them at this time

Watersend Rd Apple Port Rd Hill Road Woodcrest Rd FlintRidge Rd Orchard Rd Settlement Rd Townline Dr German Rd Beach Rd Porcupine Bay Humbug Rd Highview Rd Wildwood Rd Lakeview Rd Badger Rd Birchwood Rd Maple Rd Timberline Rd Isleview Rd N Port Demortes Kenosha Dr

Blackberry Rd



During this time of year when we get snow, especially heavy, wet snow, some of the gravel roads cannot be plowed as they are when temps are in the single digits. The gravel is wet and subject to damage from the plows. Our crew clear what they can but can't always completely remove everything. Road repair is costly, even a gravel road.

On the subject of road repairs, there are several roads which are scheduled for repairs and repaving. This process will start with fresh gravel being laid on the roads in preparation for grinding and repaving. Gravel will be going down starting in April with paving hopefully starting in May. Weather has a funny way of altering the best plans.

Liberty Grove's Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town meeting will be held on April 16th at the Liberty Grove Town Hall, 11161 Old Stage Rd, Sister Bay, starting at 7:00pm. A representative from CLA LLC accounting firm will be present to give the annual audit report, there will swearing in of new board members and it is this meeting that the qualified electors can vote on issues statutorily covered under annual meetings. To review these read them at http://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/60/II/01. Not every topic is covered and may have to be presented in a different forum. You will be asked to sign in and declare whether you are a qualified elector. State Statutes 6.02 and 6.10 covers the definition of a qualified elector.





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, enjoy conversation, meet new friends and socialize!

Call **888-743-1844 X2542 24 hours before the first time you come for lunch.

Third Annual Ellison Bay Easter Egg Hunt

The Third annual Ellison Bay Easter Egg Hunt will take place Saturday April 20, 12-2pm Sponsored by the Ellison Bay Service Club

Fitzgerald Park 1594 Old School Road, Ellison Bay

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

For the past few years Liberty Grove along with the Village of Sister Bay has sponsored a document shredding and electronic and appliance recycling event for its residents. The recycle/shred program will now take place once a year. The 2019 recycle/shred date will be July 13rd. Bring your items to 11161 Old Stage Rd. from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Because of the success of the document shredding we have a limit of 5 banker boxes per address. There is no charge to shred. There will also be a representative from Door County Sheriff's Dept. to collect outdated medications.

Free:

Towers, laptops, keyboards and mouse Cell phones

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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.)



A big welcome to Stacy Bell Clerk/treasurer and Doug Curzon Deputy clerk/treasurer. Stacy will be training with Janet Johnson as Janet will retire the end of December. Doug Curzon will report to Bud Kalms, Janet Johnson and more. Be sure to welcome them when you stop in the Town Hall office.

A reminder to all 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.

Winter Farm & Artisan Market

Baileys Harbor Town Hall Saturday, April 13, 10am to 2pm. Featuring food, clothing, art, personal care, home goods and more!

NWTC Spring Classes

How to Launch a Pop-Up Shop, Tuesday 5-8pm, April 23, Fee: \$79.

Marketing Strategies for Small-Business Owners, Wednesday 4:30 - 8:30pm, April 24, Fee: \$99.

Spring Garden Tasks, Thursday 9 – noon, April 18, Fee: \$20

Attracting Birds and Butterflies to the Garden, Tuesday 9 – noon, April 30, Fee: \$20

To see all the classes/credit classes offered in Sister Bay go to www.nwtc.edu and click on "Find a Class" by location and choose "Learning Innovation Center' from the dropdown box. You can also register by calling 1-888-385-NWTC for assistance.

Liberty Grove Senior Resources



Aging & Disability Resource Center of Door County

@ THE DOOR COUNTY SENIOR & COMMUNITY CENTER 916 N. 14th Ave. • Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

920-746-ADRC (2372) • Toll free: 855-828-2372

Email: ADRC@co.door.wi.us

Website: www.ADRCDoorCounty.org

Open Monday – Friday 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

or by appointment

How do I find the best respite care facility near me?

If you are considering looking for respite care near you for the first time, it's likely that you are doubtful about letting someone else look after your patient and especially if you are a spouse or close relative who has been volunteering. When locating respite care facilities near you, here are some things to consider:

Cost. This is a major factor. While you do not want very cheap services that endanger the patient or your loved one because negligent people offer them, beware of institutions that are just blatant in overpricing the services offered under respite care. Compare several options before settling and be sure to stay within the limits of your budget.

Reliability. Is the customer care desk of the institution you are considering going to pick up when you call? It's normal for a caregiver who has spent a lot of time with a patient to harbor feelings of guilt when they are away. Normally, they get over these feelings by contacting the aide who has assumed their responsibilities. An institution that keeps you anxious because they do not pick up your calls is inconveniencing, worrisome and outright unprofessional. If you intend to spend a single day away, an adult day center or in a home care are viable options. However, if you are going on a vacation, consider relocating the patient to a nursing home. Proximity. Ask: is the respite care facility near me or within a reasonable distance? Will it be convenient for the family to visit?

What is respite care? Respite care is briefly described as temporary institutional care that's given to anyone who depends on other people's assistance to get through a day in the absence of their usual caregiver. This type of care is specifically designed to relief the caregiver. You will find yourself in dire need of the services offered in respite care if you are responsible for giving care to an aged parent, a relative who has Alzheimer's, and others with similar conditions when circumstances force you to be away. At some point, you will grow tired of doing the same things every day: bathing the elderly, aiding them to eat, and performing for them other chores that are considered personal. These services require great courage and patience. Anyone who has been through these experiences knows that it's not easy and that breaks will be necessary to prevent caregiver burnout.

Although it is mainly associated with transferring the individual who needs help to a nursing home, respite caregiving can go on at home being offered by a hired professional. However, <u>relocating to a caregiving facility</u> is the norm. In this context, it is therefore assumed that the person in need of respite care services intends to transfer to a nursing home.



SeniorCare is a prescription drug assistance program for Wisconsin residents who are 65 years of age or older and meet the enrollment requirements. The program is designed to help seniors with their prescription drug costs.

To enroll in SeniorCare you must:

- Be a Wisconsin resident.
- Be a U.S. citizen or have qualifying immigrant status.
- Be 65 years of age or older.

Fill out a SeniorCare application.

Every senior enrolling in SeniorCare must pay an annual \$30 fee. The earliest you can apply is during the calendar month of your 65th birthday. If you are already age 65 or older, you can apply at any time. Your benefits will begin in the month after you apply.

Your annual income determines your level of coverage in SeniorCare and how much SeniorCare will cover. See the Annual Income Limit table for out-of-pocket expenses and benefits for each level of participation.

How can I apply for SeniorCare? To apply for SeniorCare, request an application from the SeniorCare Customer Service hotline at 800-657-2038 or print one at www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/seniorcare. On the application, you will need to provide your Social Security number. You will also have to pay a \$30 annual enrollment fee per person.

Where can I get more information?•Call the SeniorCare Customer Service hotline at 800-657-2038 (voice) or 711 (TTY).•Visit the SeniorCare website, www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/seniorcare.



POWERS OF A TOWN MEETING – State Statute 60.10

State Statute 60.11(6) Jurisdiction. An annual town meeting may transact any business over which a town meeting has jurisdiction.

Raise money, including levying taxes, to pay for expenses of the town, unless the authority has been delegated to the town board under sub.(2)(a)

Fix the compensation of elective town offices under 60.32, unless the authority has been delegated to the town board under sub.(2)(k).

Combine the offices of town clerk and town treasurer under 60.305(1)

In a town with a population of 2,500 or more, provide for the appointment by the town board of the town clerk, town treasurer, or both, or of the combined office of town clerk and town treasurer under 60.305(1), at a level of compensation to be set by the board that may not be reduced during the term to which the person is appointed.

Combine the offices of town clerk and town assessor under 60.305(2).

Establish or abolish the office of town constable and establish the number of constables. Abolition of the office is effective at the end of the term of the person serving in the office.

Designate the office of town clerk, town treasurer or the combined office of clerk and treasurer as part-time under 60.305(1)(b).

Designate town board supervisors as full-time officers.

Adopt a plan under 5.60(6) to elect town board supervisors to numbered seats.

Provide under 8.05(3)(a) for the nomination of candidates for elective town offices at a nonpartisan primary election.

Authorize the acquisition and conveyance of cemeteries under 157.50(1) and (3).

Approve agreements to employ an administrator for more than 3 years under 60.37(3)(d).

Establish the hourly wage to be paid under 60.37(4) to a town employee who is also an elected town officer, unless the authority has been delegated to the town board under sub.(2)(L). For more information on powers of a town meeting see Wisconsin State Statutes 60.10