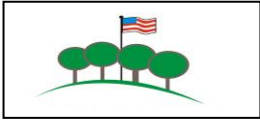


April 2021



LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

Featured Business

Mink River Basin
12010 State Hwy 42
Ellison Bay, WI 54210
920-854-2250
giverattheriver@gmail.com

Important Dates

April 20th- Annual Town Meeting 7pm at
Town Hall
April 21st- Town Board Meeting 7pm
May 5th- Town Board Meeting 7pm

All meetings will be held via Zoom – check

From your Town Chairman

The Board, functioning in its capacity as the Liberty Grove Sanitary District Committee, had a long discussion regarding a rate increase in the sewer and water charges for customers in the district. After receiving a late notice regarding increases from the Village we did not have the required time to hold a hearing prior to the date of the rate increase taking effect. As a result, a shortfall of approximately \$10,000 will occur prior to our hearing and implementation of new rates for customers within the Sanitary District. Fortunately, funds are available to cover the shortfall in the district's budget. Financial information of the district is available at the Town Office. The district for years, according to our accounting firm, operated at a loss but that has turned around in recent years with the district showing a slight profit from operations. The monies generated are used to offset operating costs charged to the Town and maintenance plus possible capital improvements that serve the district. Only a small area within Liberty Grove is served by sewer and water from the treatment plant in the village. The rest of the Town's wastewater is generated by holding tanks, mound systems and a few remaining septic systems. Water is from individual wells. The hearing on the proposed rate increases will be held on May 5th beginning at 6:30. It will be via Zoom

The Open Book on property Tax assessments will be held on Monday August 2nd from 12-2 PM. An announcement will follow whether that session will be done in person or virtually. The Board will convene the Board of Review on May 5th and reschedule the review to a later date when the assessments have been finalized.

The Highway Committee Board has approved the bid of \$545,235.00 from Northeast Asphalt for paving Mink River Road. \$533,995.00 was budgeted for the project and the overage will be covered by doing less gravel grinding this year. Each year gravel is prepared at the pit for use on the roads and we have some left over from previous years so less will be ground that was planned for this season. Due to the heavy truck traffic on Mink River Road asphalt will be applied at a depth of 4" rather than the customary 3". A bike/pedestrian lane will also be added.

No parking signs will be installed on the westside of Pebble Beach Road. It is our understanding that a parking solution for the Beach is being formulated by the Village and DC Land Trust. Currently parking was taking place along the narrow road proving to be a problem for emergency vehicles and ingress/egress for residents along that road.

Administrator Kalms has drafted a Request for Proposal for a facilities assessment. This is part of our long term goal of understanding what needs for updates/improvements to Town facilities will be needed in the future. The cost of the assessment will be covered in the budgeting for 2022 and be conducted in 2022

A quick comment on committee, plan commission and Board structure. The Board acts on recommendations from the various committees and the Plan Commission. Public input is always encouraged and allowed at the meetings. By ordinance input is limited to three minutes and non transferable. The chairperson has the discretion to allow additional time to a person speaking. Meetings are the working sessions of the governing body, at times it is necessary to limit public input so the work of the group may continue in an orderly and timely manner. It is also very possible that discussions take longer than planned as they become more detailed and in depth. That may cause a delay in the start time of another meeting on the same day/night. This is especially true at the Board level. Closed sessions often run longer and are scheduled early in the agenda to allow the public to hear, if any announcement is made regarding the outcome of the session.

The Board is planning to open restroom facilities in our parks pending a revision of our Public Health Emergency Declaration. At this time buildings will remain closed for further discussion and information on the progression of the Covid-19 pandemic.

From your Town Board

Liberty Grove's Annual Town Meeting

All residents of Liberty Grove should plan on attending the Annual Town meeting on April 20th at 7:00pm. We will have our auditor's there to give our annual financial report, committee updates from the past year and general business which needs to be conducted at a town's annual meeting. Anyone is welcome to attend. Any qualified elector is welcome to participate in voting matters. (see definition in WI State Statute 6.02) We hope to see you there.



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. **Lunch**
is available for pick up at noon.

Call ****920-746-2523****
24 hours before the
first time you come for lunch.

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.org

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

Call for Photos

Liberty Grove Historical Society is in the midst of redesigning their website with the assistance of Door Guide Publishing. To make the new site as interesting as possible, they need your help.

If you have historical photography of your family members, friends, and events in Liberty Grove, please consider sharing them with LGHS. All you have to do is contact Door Guide Publishing's John Nelson (by phone or email) and tell him you'd like to submit your photos for the new website project. Nelson will arrange to have your photos scanned, which will then be quickly returned to you (unless you decide to donate them to the Liberty Grove Historical Society). *NOTE: We can't pull photos from your social media pages (such as Facebook and Instagram), as those photos will be much too small for our website purposes.*

Here is the contact information to have your photos scanned:

John Nelson

Cell: (920) 421-1589, [Email: john@doorguidepublishing.com](mailto:john@doorguidepublishing.com)

Thanking you in advance for your interest in Liberty Grove's unique history!

**WITHOUT RAIN NOTHING GROWS, LEARN TO
EMBRACE THE STORMS OF LIFE**

Think Spring!



NWTC Community Education Classes

Personal Care Worker Certificate Program, 9am-3pm Tuesday, April 6,13,20, 27 and May 4. Tuition \$155.15, Textbook \$31.65.

This is a 30 hour, in person course combines lecture with practice of learned skills. The class meets for one 6 hour session per week for 5 weeks and is offered twice a year. All skill competencies are assessed under the guidance of a registered nurse. Successful students will receive a certificate.

To learn more call 920-746-4970 or email sisterbay@nwtc.edu

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” in the drop-down box. Learn from home via Zoom, a video meeting platform.

A computer, laptop, or tablet with reliable broadband will be required for some of the classes. Instructions for accessing the class via Zoom will be provided. You can also register by calling 1-888-385-NWTC, or you can call 920-746-4970 for assistance, or contact the Learning and Innovation Center at sisterbay@nwtc.edu

This summer NWTC is planning to offer some community workshops on person. The classes will be small to ensure physical distancing and masks will be required. Watch for more information in the May newsletter.

Electronic Recycling and paper shredding

The next Shredfest is scheduled for Saturday September 11, 9-1pm Liberty Grove and Sister Bay Residents only.

Door County Library- SB/Liberty Grove

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

2:30 p.m. Sister Bay/Liberty Grove Library

Virtual Readers Rampant Book Discussion.

Readers Rampant Book Club: “The Book of Lost Friends” by Lisa Wingate. Books are available in regular, large print, and audiobook and on the digital apps Overdrive/Libby (e-book, e-audiobook). Participants and listeners are welcome. Visit the website calendar for Zoom details. Contact: Christina, 920-854-2721.

SPECIAL EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK – April 4-10th

Celebrations during National Library Week include a “Welcome to your Library” Social Media Spirit Week with the hashtag for each day plus #DoorCountyLibrary

- **Sunday, April 4:** Post Your Shelfie Sunday — Take a picture of your home or work library or a stack of books, and tell us your favorite book and why. #ShelfieSunday
- **Monday, April 5:** Magazine Monday — What’s your favorite magazine? Then borrow an online magazine and tell us which one you selected. #MagazineMonday
- **Tuesday, April 6:** Hoopla Tuesday – Borrow something online from Hoopla today and tell us what you selected. #HooplaDigital
- **Wednesday, April 7:** Why do You Love Door County Libraries? National Library Workers Day — Say hi to us answering the following question: “I love Door County Library because ... “ #iLoveMyLibrary #nlwd21
- **Thursday, April 8:** Character Thursday – Share your favorite book character and find the character inside a Door County Library and share a selfie with them. #BookCharacterDay
- **Friday, April 9:** Bookface Friday – Find a book with a face on the cover and take a pic with the face on the book covering your face. #BookfaceFriday
- **Saturday, April 10:** Learn Your Story Saturday – Use one of our history/genealogy databases and tell us about it. #MyLibraryMyStory

May 12 - The Library Book by Susan Orlean

Participants and listeners are welcome. Call 920-854-2721 for details.

Liberty Grove Senior Resources

The “**Senior Newsletter**” is a monthly publication of the Door County Senior and Community Center. Their goal is to keep you informed of issues and events that may be of interest to you as well as available resources in Door County.

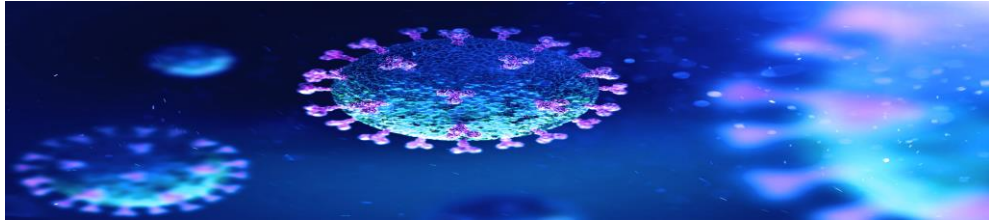
You can access the “newsletter” online by going to the **Door County Website** at www.co.door.wi.gov and clicking on Department, Senior and Community Center and then newsletter. You can also find it under **Quick Links** on the right side of the page.

If you would like to have a newsletter sent to you via email, please contact **Wendy** at DCSRC@co.door.wi.us and you will be put on a list to receive one each month.

Senior Guidance, an organization dedicated to providing helpful senior living resources for the elderly. There is a dedicated section that provides extremely detailed information on Wisconsin assisted living, a listing of services available for seniors living in Wisconsin: www.seniorguidance.org

LAKE LEVEL CONDITIONS

The projected water levels for April 2nd indicate that water levels on Lakes Superior and Michigan-Huron are near their levels from a month ago, while Lakes St. Clair, Erie, and Ontario have risen by 2 to 3 inches since early March. Projected water levels for April 2nd across all the lakes are tracking below levels from one year ago. In comparison to the average April monthly levels, the projected levels for April 2nd are above average on all lakes, except Lake Ontario. By May 2nd water levels are forecast to rise by 2 to 4 inches on Lakes Superior, Michigan-Huron, St. Clair and Erie, while Lake Ontario is forecast to rise by 6 inches. See our [Daily Levels](#) web page for more water level information.



COVID-19 Vaccine Updates - Door County

Door County is working diligently with our community partners to provide vaccine safely and effectively to our community.

Door County Public Health's online scheduling system is now open. We are allowing self-scheduling of appointments.

To schedule an appointment go to www.bookdcph.timetap.com If you do not have access to internet, need assistance in scheduling/rescheduling, or have questions regarding your eligibility you may contact our office at 920-746-7180 for assistance.

We are now accepting online scheduling of appointments for the COVID-19 vaccine. You will schedule your *first dose only* at this time. Your 2nd dose will be scheduled at the time you receive your first.

All Wisconsin residents age 16 and older are now eligible to receive the vaccine. You must be 18 years or older to receive the Johnson and Johnson Vaccine.

Due to the high volume of our clinics we are unable to accept vaccine preference requests prior to the clinic. When you arrive at your scheduled appointment time, you will be offered a choice of vaccine. We will make every effort to accommodate your reference, while supplies last. Vaccine is limited to availability.

- **April 1, 2021 - [Emergency Health Advisory Regarding Face Covering](#)**

- Covid-19 Vaccination Side Effects
- • The COVID-19 vaccination will help protect you from getting COVID-19. After your vaccination you may have some side effects, which are normal signs that your body is building protection. These side effects should go away in a few days. Some people experience sore arm, slight fever, or feeling tired, while others have no side effects at all. We recommend for best protection against COVID-19, to get both doses of the vaccine, even if you have side effects after the first dose.
- IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE Emergency assistance - Dial 911, Door County Medical Center COVID Hotline: 920-746-3700

Critically High Activity Level

COMMUNITY GATHERINGS: Follow social distancing, face coverings, and sanitation guidelines when in public settings and consider the following guidelines for planning or attending events and gatherings.

- **COVID-19 is still spreading across our Wisconsin communities.**

Staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others from getting sick.

Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) recommends Wisconsinites cancel or postpone all travel, including travel within the state.

Scientific evidence shows that masks, partnered with social distancing, play an important role in reducing the spread of COVID-19

If you have immediate questions, you may contact Public Health during regular business hours (Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm) at 920-746-2234

Guidelines from Door County Public Health Department in regard to large group gatherings remain as follows:

Low Risk Staying at Home	Moderate Risk Gatherings Under 10 People	High Risk Gatherings of 10-50 People	Not Advisable Gatherings of 50 or more
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Risk of COVID-19 spreading at events and gatherings increases as follows:

Lowest Risk	More Risk	Higher Risk	Highest Risk
Virtual-only activities, events, and gatherings.	Smaller outdoor and in-person gatherings in which individuals from different households remain spaced at least 6 feet apart, wear cloth face coverings, do not share objects, and come from the same local area (e.g., community, town, city, or county).	Medium-sized in-person gatherings that are adapted to allow individuals to remain spaced at least 6 feet apart and with attendees coming from outside the local area.	Large in-person gatherings where it is difficult for individuals to remain spaced at least 6 feet apart and attendees travel from outside the local area.

COVID-19 Travel Recommendations by Country

If you travel, take these steps to protect yourself & others from COVID-19 during your trip

PREVENT COVID-19 DURING TRAVEL



If you travel, take these steps:



Keep Distance & Wear Cloth Face Cover



Wash Hands



Or Use Hand Sanitizer

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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