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RECYCLING YARD HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Residents can drop off: leaves/compost, metal and appliances, & waste oil only. Stop inside Town Hall, state your address & staff will open the gate.

Saturdays:

December—End of February Town Yard open every first and third Saturday of month from 8am to Noon.

Residents can drop off: leaves/compost, metal and appliances, oil, tires, cardboard, batteries, and electronics (charge for electronics \$1/lb and tires -depending on size).

Town Q & A

Whether you're a new landowner or a longtime resident of the Town of Cedarburg, no matter what questions you have, your neighbors might have already asked. The friendly staff at Town Hall can and will answer! The Wisconsin Town's Association describes Town government as, "the most efficient and most connected form of democracy." The Town Board's decisions model these values in order to best serve our



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property owners and taxpayers. The Board is grateful to our outstanding administrative staff and public works crew members for their loyal, dedicated service. Let us help you, too.

Based on many common inquiries we've received, here is a short list that can help you plan and care for your property. Our trained and knowledgeable staff responds to many calls and emails daily, and will be happy to help with yours. The Town can either advise directly, or refer you to the proper jurisdiction or business entity. This is a condensed summary, and if you don't see your question listed, please call the Town Hall at (262) 377-4509 for assistance, and staff will do their best to assist you M-F from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. The Town's website also provides 24/7 access and direct links to resources. https://www.town.cedarburg.wi.us/

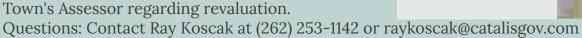
Zoning: Our knowledgeable Administrator, Eric Ryer, takes the lead on zoning issues. The Town provides full zoning, as it has Village powers under Wisconsin law (Article IV, Section 23 of the Wisconsin Constitution, Chapter 61). Under this umbrella, we handle inquiries on zoning, land use, outbuildings, land divisions, rezoning of property, and rural projects such as ponds. Our staff provides input for Landmarks review for projects in the Hamilton Historic District. We also answer property research questions from realtors and current and prospective landowners.

Building Inspection: Our experienced Building Inspector, Paul Mortimer, is in the office at Town Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays *Continued on page 7*

Town Administrator's Desk

Town of Cedarburg Revaluation 2023 The following information is from the

ERIC RYER ADMINISTRATOR



New Property Assessments to be mailed Spring of 2023

The Town Assessor's Office is performing a Town-wide revaluation of all taxable property for 2023, following requirements established in state law. Accordingly, all Town of Cedarburg property owners will receive a New Notice of Assessment letter. These letters will include an updated assessed valuation, contact information for the Town Assessor's Office for any questions or concerns and a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document that explains more about the revaluation process. Also included will be the scheduled meeting date(s) and time(s) for the Town's "Open Book" and Board of Review. The Board of Review meets annually to approve new property assessments and review any objections.

Put simply, the purpose of a revaluation is not to collect more taxes. Rather, it is intended to correct instances of unfairness that can occur over time. The Town of Cedarburg has not conducted a revaluation in 13 years, and state law requires periodic revaluations to address value changes. Over time, values in different neighborhoods and areas, and among different property types, change unequally. Without a revaluation, relative assessments among properties become inequitable, resulting in some owners paying too much in property taxes and others not paying their fair share.

The Town Board chose to undertake a Market Update Revaluation for 2023. This type of revaluation is conducted mostly in-house by the Assessor's Office, analyzing true arm's-length sales that have recently occurred within the Town of Cedarburg and using those sales to determine new assessed values that reflect current market values. This will not require interior viewing of homes.

Upon receiving new assessment notices, Town of Cedarburg property owners will have an opportunity to discuss their new assessed valuation with the Assessor's Office staff, if there is belief that the Assessor's Office made an error or did not have sufficient information upon which to calculate the new valuation. In Wisconsin, this is called "Open Book". This year, Open Book meetings will occur generally in the Spring of 2023 conducted mostly by email or telephone with limited in-person appointments. If residents are still not satisfied after completing the Open Book process, they have an opportunity to appeal an assessment to the Town's Board of Review. The Board of Review meeting will be held at the Town Hall in early summer 2023.

Looking ahead, it is anticipated that Town of Cedarburg property owners will begin receiving their New Notice of Assessment in the mail sometime during early Spring 2023. In the meantime, should residents or business owners have any further questions, they are encouraged to contact the Town of Cedarburg's Assessment Office, at (262) 253-1142 or raykoscak@catalisgov.com.

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Recreation

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Cedarburg Little League 2023 Registration Now Open Online



Registration for the 2023 Little League baseball & softball season is online and opened January 1. Our membership with Little League International provides the Town program with benefits such as annual background checks on all coaches, foundational rules that ensure that every child plays in every game, and online tools participants for all divisions; Pee Wee K4-K5, to help coaches with a successful season. This program has divisions for ages 4-15. A \$25 late fee begins after February 10th.

New Junior's Division for 2023

2023 sees the addition of a Juniors Baseball Division for ages 14-15. Practices will be scheduled by the coaches of the teams and will take place in Cedarburg at the Korb Sports Complex, or OHOW Fields. "HOME" games will be played at the Grafton Little League Complex to have access to a full sized baseball field. This division collaborates with West Bend, Grafton, and Mequon/Thiensville Little Leagues and will require some travel to those communities to play road games. Practices will begin the week of April 10th and the season should conclude by July 14th.

Cedarburg Flag Football 2023 Registration



Registration for the 2023 season will open online in April. This program meets primarily on Tuesday evenings and runs mid-August through mid-October. The program plans to include a free mini-camp with the Concordia Football Program, a personalized dry wick jersey, and end-of-season playoffs. This program has divisions for kids ages 4-12.

PAUL JUNGBAUER DIRECTOR **PARKS & RECREATION**

Fall Youth Soccer 2023 Registration



Registration for the 2023 season will open online in May. This will be the 7th year of our program, which has grown every year since beginning in 2017. Last year, we had a record number of Minors 1st-2nd Grade, & Majors division for 3rd-5th graders.

New End-of-Season Tournaments in 2023

In 2023, we will have an end-of-season tournament for ALL soccer divisions.

Cedarburg Fall Baseball & Softball 2023 Registration

Registration for the 2023 season will open online in May. The season is played early August through early October, and due to daylight, will involve some Saturday morning games. The program is a good way to continue building on skills learned during the regular Little League or club season. Teams will have several practices and ten games each.

Divisions offered include: 4-6 year old T-Ball



6-8 year old Machine Pitch Baseball 9-11 year old Player Pitch Baseball

U8 Rookies Softball U10 Minors Softball U12 Majors Softball

> Need More Information? Website: www.town.cedarburg.wi.us/parksrecreation/ Contact: Paul Jungbauer: pjungbauer@town.cedarburg.wi.us

Chairman David Salvaggio

Comprehensive Plan Update Has Begun

In 2022, the Town began a major investment in Town infrastructure, completing over five miles of road work as well as the complete rebuild of the Covered Bridge automobile bridge. With road work to continue in 2023 and beyond, the Town is undertaking other long-term projects that residents WON'T see as they drive throughout the Town but will undoubtedly have a lasting impact. One of these is the Comprehensive Plan update. You may remember my article shedding light on this in the Winter 2021 newsletter.

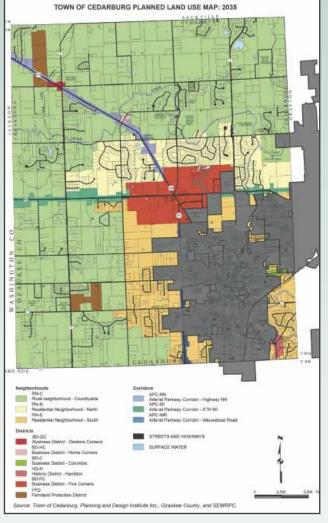
This project kicked off last month, with an expected completion date of late 2023 or early 2024. What is the "Comprehensive Plan" you may ask? Every municipality in the State of Wisconsin is required to have a Comprehensive Plan, which the State Department of Administration defines as "local government's guide to community physical, social, and economic development".

The Town budgeted for the plan update and has contracted with the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) to perform the work. SEWRPC is currently in the data gathering phase of process, updating census and other demographic information that has changed over the last 10 years. Over the next year, SEWRPC will be coordinating with Town staff, the Plan Commission, and Town Board as they continue their work. The Town will be posting materials to the Town website throughout the process as they become available so the public can view draft chapters.

Central to the update is the focus on strategically planning for desired growth and development over the next 10-year period, while understanding that more rural areas of Town will see little change. Special consideration will be given to the 5 Corners area to encourage a Town Center. While the update process is not a quick one, this is on purpose; the process is meant to be deliberate and thoughtful so the document can withstand the next decade.



DAVID SALVAGGIO TOWN CHAIRMAN



Above: Future Land Use Map from the current Comprehensive Plan.

2023 Election Schedule

Elections 2023

For 2023, two elections are scheduled. The dates of those elections are listed below. 2023 Spring Primary (tentative): February 21, 2023 2023 Spring Election: April 4, 2023

The Polling location for voters in Wards 5-10 has changed, with voters that previously voted at Circle B voting now voting at the Ozaukee Pavilion starting this February; for more details, please go to Page 9. Voters in Wards 1-4 will still vote at Town Hall.

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Administrator's Desk continued

2023 Road Projects

The Town will be completing two major arterial road projects, along with one subdivision.

Town Tax Levy for roads in 2023: ~\$951,000 Grant Funds obtained for roads in 2023: ~\$1.4 million

Cedar Sauk Road: Total Cost: ~\$1,171,000. This project will address 2.25 miles of Cedar Sauk Road from CTH Y to Northwood Drive. 80% of the project will be covered by a grant, with the project replacing the pavement, correct the roadway cross-slopes (remove tire rutting), and repairing failed roadway base where necessary.

Columbia Road: Total Cost: ~\$688,863. This project will address 0.42 miles of road work on Columbia Road from Keup Road to 400 west of First Avenue (Village of Grafton). 70% of the project will be covered by a grant. The project is a complete reconstruction of the severely deteriorated asphalt, with the design including new sidewalks and curb and gutter.

Keup Road north of STH 60 and Cedarton Parkway (\$435,000).



Supervisor Esser continued

from 1pm-3:00pm to meet with homeowners and contractors. Our Town Clerk maintains property files and assists during regular business hours with non-building code and permit questions.

Road and Facility Maintenance: Our capable Public Works Director, Adam Monticelli, and public works crew maintain all Town-owned vehicles, equipment, and buildings, including the Town Hall and Fire Station No. 2. The long list of services includes: snowplowing, road patching, crack filling, ditch mowing, clearing drainage easements, tree trimming, checking washouts, Town yard maintenance, and inclement weather cleanup. Our crew prides itself on being responsive to resident concerns, but staff do not intervene in interpersonal neighbor disputes regarding drainage if they are caused by private property landscaping or grading. Public Works staff are



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are on-site during the Saturday open hours of our recycling yard. The Yard is also accessible for residents daily from 8am-4:15pm, just stop inside Town Hall, verify your address, and staff will open the gate for access. A calendar and list of accepted recyclable items are available on the Town website.

Elections, Notary: Our skilled Assistant Administrator/Clerk, Jack Johnston, administers all elections, trains inspectors, and serves as a Notary with no fee. Note: Since the Circle B property has been listed for sale, residents of Wards 5-10 will now vote beginning in 2023 at the new County Fairgrounds polling location at the Ozaukee Pavilion. This facility will provide safe, convenient voting access and is coordinated by our Town Clerk and Ozaukee County staff.

Parks & Recreation: Our talented Parks and Recreation Director, Paul Jungbauer, manages all recreation programming, including Little League, Flag Football League, Track and Field, and Youth Soccer. The Town operates the self-supporting rec program, focusing on programs for the Cedarburg area, and all local youth are invited to participate at the Korb Sports Complex and OHOW Fields. Paul also manages the seasonal staff that maintain the parks, and handles inquiries about our beautiful and popular parks and facilities, including Korb Sports Complex rental opportunities.

Law Enforcement: The Town is served by the Ozaukee County Sheriff for emergency response. The Town Constable, Ryan Fitting, handles all Town Code issues and enforcement, including public nuisances, illegal burnings, dogs at large, and other local concerns.

Fire/EMS: The Town contracts with the Cedarburg Fire Department. The current contract runs through the end of 2024.

Here are some common questions best answered by other authorities:

Roads: The Town is heavily invested in road maintenance, and 2022 began implementation of the updated Capital Improvement Plan to address and improve Town roads. However, some roadways are owned by Ozaukee County, not the Town, including: NN, Pioneer, Western, Granville, Lakefield Road, and CTH I. The County, not the Town, makes decisions about these roads; it's outside our jurisdiction. The State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation manages STH 60 and STH 181. Your questions regarding County and State highways (plowing, maintenance, seasonal care, ditches, signage, traffic management, speed, etc.) should be directed to the Ozaukee County Highway department or State Department of Transportation. The County Board member for the Town may also be a resource for questions and comments on their roads. Continued on page 8

Supervisor Esser continued

Electricity Reliability Issues – Power Outages: Residents contract directly with WE Energies for service, and in some cases, Cedarburg Light and Water. The Town can reach out to the utility to advocate for our residents' concerns, but we cannot force companies to complete maintenance or upgrades to their equipment. Inquiries regarding storm response and service outages should be directed to the WE Energies emergency services phone line or online resources, since WE Energies is solely responsible for outage concerns.

Wells/POWTS: Wells and Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems are overseen by the Ozaukee County Land and Water Management office. They issue permits, handle all inquiries, and answer questions for our residents. In addition, this County office can assist with information about record-keeping details and timely maintenance requirements.

Refuse and Recycling: The Town has contracted with Waste Management for Town refuse collection starting January 1, 2023. In addition, the Town will continue our recycling contract with Waste Management. The placement of carts is a common question: to operate the automatic lift, a distance of 6 ft. is requested between carts. All lids must be closed (no open or overfilled carts). The refuse/recycling calendar is available on the Town website and was also mailed to residents this month. Inquiries regarding pick-up or service delays should be directed to Waste Management at (888) 960-0008 or (262) 251-4000.

Your concerns are important to us. The Town's e-Notify provides real time information to residents via email. If you would like to sign up, follow this link: https://www.town.cedarburg.wi.us/subscribe-to-updates/

We hope you enjoyed the holiday season and best wishes for the New Year!

Do I Need a Building Permit?

Common Projects Not Requiring Town Permits

Ever wonder if a permit was needed for a project you wanted to complete? A permit is not needed for the following: fence, roof reshingle if there's no rafter work, kid's playset (but must be 10' from property line).

Contact Building Inspector Paul Mortimer at (414) 640-9523 with questions or Town Hall at (262) 377-4509. His office hours are weekly on Tuesday/Thursday from 1-3pm. A full list of Town permits and fees can be found at:

https://www.town.cedarburg.wi.us/permits-applications/



PAUL MORTIMER BUILDING INSPECTOR

Clerk's Office Notes

New Polling Location for Wards 5-10 Wards 1-4 Still Vote at Town Hall

JACK JOHNSTON ASST. ADMIN. CLERK



Voters residing in Wards 5-10, that voted at Circle B in prior elections will now be voting at the Ozaukee Pavilion, W67N866 Washington Ave, Cedarburg, WI 53012. This is located in the City of Cedarburg and is a part of the Ozaukee County Fairgrounds accessed off of Piggly Wiggly Place.

Why the change?

With Circle B for sale, the Town wanted to find a suitable polling location for a number of years to come. With limited options in the Town of Cedarburg that had adequate amenities to host elections large and small, our governmental partners at Ozaukee County were gracious enough to agree to offer up their space for future years.

PLEASE NOTE, VOTERS IN WARDS 1-4 THAT VOTE AT TOWN HALL ARE NOT IMPACTED BY THIS CHANGE. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO VOTE AT TOWN HALL



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Cedarburg Fire Department

Change Your Clock Change Your Battery

On November 6, 2022, we rolled our clocks backwards for the end of Daylight Savings Time and a good reminder for people to use this opportunity to change their home's smoke alarm batteries as well. Did you check your smoke alarms? Because working smoke alarms are a critical element of home fire safety, the Cedarburg Fire Department supports any and all efforts to reinforce the importance of working batteries. However, today's smoke alarms are not all designed the same, making battery messaging more nuanced.

Following is information to help make sure all smoke alarms have working batteries, accounting for the multiple types of smoke alarms on the market and their varying battery requirements: - Smoke alarms with non-replaceable 10-year batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.

- Smoke alarms with any other type of battery need a new battery at least once a year. If that alarm chirps, warning the battery is low, replace the battery right away.

- When replacing a battery, follow the manufacturer's list of batteries on the back of the alarm or manufacturer's instructions. Manufacturer's instructions are specific to the batteries (brand and model) that must be used. The smoke alarm may not work properly if a different kind of battery is used.

Public Works Notes

Refuse Collection Transition to Waste Management

Starting Monday, January 2, 2023, Waste Management took over refuse collection service for the Town of Cedarburg. Refuse will continue to be picked up weekly on your currently scheduled day of the week. There is NO CHANGE to your collection day. Below are some concise answers to FAQs:

Missed Collection: visit the Town website for detailed directions on how to notify WM so they can put in a service ticket to come back to your home and complete the collection. This applies to both refuse and recycling collections. The directions are found on the Refuse and Recycling webpage.

Cart Replacement: visit the refuse and recycling page on the Town website for the same directions as above for cart replacement. It will be delivered to the end of your driveway.

Town Yard: The Town Yard will still be open providing the same drop off services and hours.

Note: Upgrades to the Town Yard security and access control system will be coming Summer 2023. This upgrade will make the residents access to the Town Yard easier, more efficient and lessen your visits into Town Hall to gain access. Keep an eye out for information on this new system.

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DIRECTOR

Public Works Notes CONTINUED

The Snow is Coming

Public Works employees have been preparing for winter and the upcoming plowing season. Now is also a good time for residents to take a look at your mailboxes and posts. Check for obvious damage such as cracked boards or posts, missing screws, etc. A rotted post will not stand up to a Wisconsin winter very long, and repairs are more difficult after the ground has frozen. If you can tighten it up or add an extra screw please do so, it'll lessen the frustration later. As a reminder winter parking restrictions are as follows per Town code. No person shall park any vehicle on any street, road, highway, public way, or public parking lot in the Town between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. from November 15 through March 31.

During the winter months on refuse/recycling collection day, do not set refuse and recycling containers out before 6 a.m. When placing the containers please place them behind the roadway edge within 3 feet rather than in the road where plows could hit them. To ensure mail delivery, please clear snow away from the front of your mailbox.

When driving, remain at least 70 feet back from a snowplow. Plows, loaded with salt/sand, weigh 33,000 pounds and an average vehicle weighs only 3,000 pounds. As a reminder, Town trucks are Omaha orange and City trucks are Canary yellow.



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