Town of CEDARBURG



Preserving Yesterday's Heritage for Tomorrow

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2024 ELECTION DATES:

- February Primary: No Town Election
- April 2, 2024: Spring Election and Presidential Primary
- August 13, 2024: Partisan Primary
- November 5, 2024: General Election

Notes & Reminders

- Town Yard Now Open Seven
 Days a Week. Stop into Town
 Hall to purchase an Access
 Card
- Winter Yard Hours:
 8 am to 4 pm, daily.

Hello Neighbors,

With much of Ozaukee County bursting at the seams in a growth spurt, residents praise the quality and pace of life here in our small town of Cedarburg. You can bet your neighbors cherish this, too. Moving into a new year is a great time to reflect on why living here is very special. It's true the Board works hard to respect and preserve simple things about our small town. That is our common ground. We seek not only to provide for the basic economic needs that modern life requires, but to honor the rural foundation that helps to lift our spirits.



Tom Esser Supervisor Seat 4

We live in an environment filled with natural beauty, which lends itself to parks that many can enjoy. These range from a simple green space, a quiet grove with a bench, to the Korb Sports Complex, an active environment and healthy athletic space for our children to learn and play together. Walking a grass lined trail along a creek, or hearing the crack of the bat on a summer night over at the Korb, are the simple pleasures of our special place.

This year, the Town recreation program grew in both space and participation. While these programs are self-supporting, they thrive because of the generous financial support of our local businesses, our exceptional volunteers, and, of course, the paying users who have stepped up to participate. All of these elements have made these popular programs grow and flourish. It's very important for children to stretch and play for their physical and mental well-being. Our recreation programming has won an award as an example of good government.

Our reputation for gorgeous green spaces is a big draw for the town. Whether from your car or your easy chair, you might catch a glimpse of some wildlife passing by: a flock of geese outside your window over your morning coffee, some turkeys on the lawn enjoying a sunny afternoon, or the barn owl you hear as darkness descends. Any one of us might feel lucky to see a hawk circling above or a deer trot by with their fawn. All these creatures live in your neighbors' yards, too. How many of us take the long way home down our favorite country lanes just to pass a few horses or cows or sheep for the fun of it?

We are very fortunate to have many successful farms, including various crops and equine operations. When the harvest is in,

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK

2024 Road Projects: 4.5+ Miles of Work Planned

The Town is planning on completing over 4.5 miles of road projects in 2024 as part of the approved budget. This will bring the total to over 13 miles of road work in a 3-year period. The 2024 project list anticipates \$1.745 million in expenditures. The budget also schedules a significant investment in Town equipment of \$720,000.



ERIC RYER
ADMINISTRATOR

Road Plan 2024 (parts or all of the following):

Stonefield, Cullen, Foxway Lane, Glacier Court, Dawnview Lane:

 Cedar Valley and Bittersweet
 Sycamore Drive
 Cedar Sauk and Kings Court
 Maple Road
 Foxcroft and Huntington
 Cedar Creek Bridge Design

 1.14 miles

 0.5 miles
 0.85 miles
 1.01 miles

 Engineering

For questions on these projects, contact Director of Public Works Adam Monticelli at Town Hall.

Cedar Creek Bridge Grant: \$1.6 million Project for 2025

The Town was awarded an 80/20 grant for the complete tear down and rebuild of the Cedar Creek Road bridge that spans Cedar Creek east of CTH I. The grant is 80% State funding, and 20% Town funding. The funds can be used to offset the cost of engineering, design, and construction for the total replacement. The total project cost is estimated at \$1,641,859, of which the Town is responsible for 20%, or about \$329,172. The timeline for this project is design work in 2024 and construction in 2025. The anticipated benefit to the Town taxpayer is ~\$1,312,687 of the costs being covered by the grant. When looking back to 2022 when the re-envisioned Capital Plan effort began, grants for 2022-2025 now total \$3.8 million coming back to the Town.



Photo Above: Covered Bridge following completion of total reconstruction in summer of 2022.



Photo Above: Cedar Creek Bridge east of CTH I as it exists today. The Town anticipates reconstruction of this bridge in 2025.

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2024 Youth Track & Field Meet

The Town of Cedarburg recreation department will be hosting a youth track & field meet in the spring of 2024. This program will include a practice on a Saturday, entry into the track meet, a t-shirt and track meet awards. Participants in Kindergarten-4th Grade will be allowed to participate in three events. Awards are given out to the top 3 finishers in each event and each division. Details on the practice date and date of the track meet will be posted on the Town of Cedarburg's track & field webpage. To be added to the email list when registration is open, please email Director Jungbauer at: pjungbauer@townofcedarburgwi.gov

Youth Track & Field at FIL

Registration for the Kindergarten-4th Grade youth track & field program for FIL will begin in February. Volunteer Coaches for this program will be needed! All past participants will receive an email when registration is opened, as well as an informational flyer being sent to all FIL students.



Paul Jungbauer Director of Parks & Recreation





2024 Registration Now Open

2024 will be the 15th season of Cedarburg Little League. Cedarburg Little League offers T-Ball, Baseball, & Softball divisions for youth ages 4-15. For more information on the program including how to register, please visit www.cedarburglittleleague.com

Registration is now open for all divisions, and will close on February 28th.

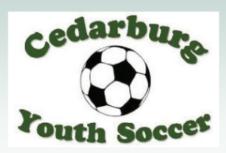
UMPIRES NEEDED

The Town is seeking umpires for the 2024 Little League season. Applicants must be at least 13 years of age and if under the age of 16 you they must be able to obtain a work permit. If you are interested, please call Director Jungbauer at 262-377-4509 ext. 2.

Fall Program Registration Will Begin In June

The Town Offers Flag Football, Youth Soccer & Fall Baseball/Softball in the fall.







CHAIRMAN SALVAGGIO

Krohn Park Restoration Update

This is a follow-up on my Summer 2023 article regarding the restoration of Krohn Park, which is one of three Town parks that offer canoe access to Cedar Creek (also Creekside and Cedar Creek Farms Canoe Launch).

Our Town crew recently installed the final stone park sign at Krohn, completing the

"re-branding" effort to swap out old wooden park identification signs at all Town parks with generally maintenance free stone signs.

More significantly, before the sign was installed, work was done to remove downed trees, hazardous trees at risk of falling, as well as invasive species.

The pictures at right speak volumes, showing how the park has once again been opened up to create much safer access to the creek and enjoy the park in general.

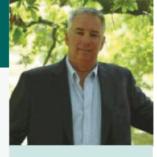
The Park and Recreation Committee plans on revisiting the park in spring to assess the work and plan out any next steps they would like to consider.

Some potential ideas could include:

- Clearing remaining debris
- Tree planting with slow growing natives
- Turf seeding in certain areas
- Paths
- Benches
- Additional canoe access

Top Photo at Right: Krohn Park before clean up work was completed. Note the hazards and general lack of ability to traverse the park.

Bottom Photo at Right: Krohn Park following clean up work. While work remains, the park is now much safer and hazardous trees and invasives have largely been removed.



David Salvaggio Town Chairman





SNOW & ICE OPERATIONS

There are four primary snow and ice control patrol trucks that cover 25.8 sq. mi. and 60 miles of roadway in the Town of Cedarburg. We understand most residents would like their road plowed or salted first, however that is simply not possible. Each patrol truck originates at Town

Hall to travel their routes and terminates at Town Hall when complete. Each route takes roughly five hours (depending on how heavy the snow, snowpack, ice, air temps, etc.), so for example, if you have a patrol truck come by at 3 am and it's a heavy snowstorm you will likely see your road covered in snow and then plowed

Adam Monticelli DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

again around 8 am. The Town has spent considerable time over the last 20+ years fine tuning our standard operating procedures including route evaluation to complete our routes in the most efficient and safe way possible. On occasion we've adjusted our routes as subdivisions have been developed and new technology/ information has become available to us, thus answering the question of why you no longer see a patrol truck at 8 am and now you see them at 10 am. The last route adjustment was approximately four years ago.

Why can I see the City of Cedarburg streets pavement but not my Town road pavement?

Bear with me while I try and explain this one, it will not be an all-inclusive list of why, but it should help explain it. First, what makes snow and ice melt? As it relates to this article we can start with heat, friction (from vehicle tire traffic), and salt.

The City of Cedarburg is 4.8 sq. mi., and the Town is 25.8 sq. mi., so roughly 1/5th the size of the Town of Cedarburg in area. The population of the city is 12,400 vs the Town which is 6,021. So, the city has two times the amount of people living in an area 1/5th the size of the Town. This density population is a key contributor to why snow and ice melts faster in the city. Continued on page 6



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Next, we consider ADT (Average Daily Traffic), which is the average vehicle traffic a road sees on an average traffic day. For example, Bridge Rd in the city has an ADT of 4,700 vehicles daily, whereas Bridge Road in the Town has 1,300 vehicles (west of Wauwatosa Daily North 1,400 periods).

Rd). Why would ADT be important? Well, if I live on a city road that has 4,700 vehicles a day traveling it vs a town road that has 1,300 vehicles a day traveling it, then my city road will be down to bare pavement much quicker than my town road simply because the amount of vehicle traffic and friction (heat) that is being

Adam Monticelli Director Of Public Works

produced on that road by those vehicles. In addition to the friction helping to create heat you can add in the salt that is being distributed by every vehicle that travels the road. Salt is placed intermittently throughout the routes via patrol trucks, we rely on vehicle traffic to help distribute the salt along the route thus spreading the salt and allowing the compounds in the salt to melt the snow and ice.

Lastly, take into consideration the storm sewer system that travels throughout the city streets. These systems allow air to flow through the pipes which in turn helps keep the roadbed and surface slightly warmer thus helping to melt the snow. Look at the manhole covers and center of the roadways the next time you drive through the city after a snow event, notice the melting that is occurring around those areas much faster than other areas of the road. As we all know, the Town of Cedarburg does not have storm sewers, all of our snow melt and rain water goes into our ditch lines and grass swales.

Finally...

The Town of Cedarburg Public Works Department will do everything humanly possible to clear all Town streets in a timely and safe fashion to the best of our ability. Thank you!

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SUPERVISOR ESSER CONTINUED

you can spot our local farmers on tractors pulling wagons full of hay, soybeans, corn, or pumpkins right off their field. You can find honey, eggs, or apples for sale down the road, or get fresh corn on the cob from a friendly corner vendor. You can't get more organic than buying vegetables from your neighbors.

We all drive here, so in 2023 we continued to improve our roads, following our earlier commitment to a steady upgrade program. The Town and City of Cedarburg also collaborated on shared plans and equipment for further savings to both, offsetting taxpayer costs with State grants. These projects improve safety and save money with scheduled maintenance and regular inspections - all to the good.



Tom Esser Supervisor Seat 4

It's true that the busy County and State roads run directly through our town, bringing both traffic and prosperity. Our small town has incubated numerous successful businesses over the years. Many have become landmarks that we all enjoy, drawing visitors from beyond the Cedarburg borders. And that's understandable - after all, the best ice cream in the country is in our own little backyard.

Since the end of the year is a conclusion, it is also a time to reflect. Each of us may be mindful of many blessings the past year has brought. In 2024, the Town of Cedarburg plans to build on the momentum from our successful 2023. I hope you agree our small town is a great place to live. Best wishes to you and your family in 2024.

Thank you, Thomas Esser

PLANNING UPDATES

Comprehensive Plan

The Comprehensive Plan update is scheduled to be completed in spring of 2024. This work will bring current the information contained in the document and update the Future Land Use map and options for property owners. The Comprehensive Plan establishes long-term goals to strategically guide the growth of the Town. The Town anticipates having an open house regarding the draft Future Land Use Map and Land Use Chapter so property owners can see if any of the updates would affect their property and comment on the plan for planning staff, the Plan Commission, and Town Board to consider before taking action on the Plan. Remaining steps after the open house are established by statute and include public noticing, notification to interested parties on the proposed amendment at least 30 days prior to the public hearing to any person who submits a written request to receive notice of a proposed amendment under Section 66.1001(4)(f), a public hearing, recommendation by the Plan Commission, and adoption by the Town Board via Ordinance, and lastly distribution of the amendment will be sent by the Town Clerk to the parties listed in Section 66.1001(4)(b).

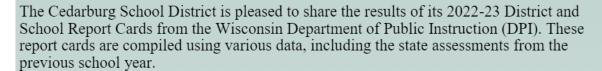
Zoning Code Update

The Zoning Chapter of the Town Code of ordinances is the backbone of Town land use and daily implementation. Work on the Zoning Code has included two publicly noticed planning workshops with the Town Board and the planning consultant completing the project. The goal is to update the Zoning Code concurrently with the Comprehensive Plan for consistency between the two. The first amendments to be taken up by the Plan Commission and Town Board will address mainly the zoning districts found in the 5 Corners Town Center, transitioning away from warehousing style uses and encouraging Town Center style development.

You can follow the progress of these efforts on the Town website and in meeting packets.

CEDARBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Cedarburg School District Celebrates Success





The Cedarburg School District's rating score 93.3 ranks CSD 2nd in the state out of 367 Wisconsin's 4K-12 public school districts and earned the highest rating of *Significantly Exceeds Expectations* on the 2022-23 District Report Card. This rating is based on four priority area scores: achievement, growth, target group outcomes, and on track to graduation. The overall district score improved since the last report card in 2021-22, and CSD is incredibly proud that, for the third time, each of its five schools earned the rating of *Significantly Exceeds Expectations*. This performance is exceptional, and the achievement of ALL students continues to be celebrated.

- **CHS** ranked #5 out of 428 9th-12th grade high schools (#3 out of traditional HS)
- Webster ranked #1 out of 254 6th-8th grade schools
- Parkview ranked #6 out of 605 4K-5th grade schools
- **Thorson** ranked #20 out of 605 4K-5th grade schools
- Westlawn ranked #11 out of 605 4K-5th grade schools

"Our students' achievement is a collective endeavor. We value the support of parents and families in each child's education, the dedication of our teachers in creating inspiring classrooms, our students' commitment to taking ownership of their learning, and the connections and support of the dynamic community in which we live. Our schools are the heart of the community, and the whole community plays an essential role in the growth and development of its young people. Together, we make a difference. As a district, we are incredibly proud, and this achievement recognizes the work of our entire 4K-12 system," said Superintendent Dr. Jeridon Clark.

The DPI creates a Report Card for every publicly funded school and district in the state. These report cards can be accessed online at:

http://dpi.wi.gov/accountability/report-cards.

Cedarburg School District's Report Cards are under Departments and Educational Options on their website, linked below:

https://www.cedarburg.k12.wi.us/departments/notice-of-educational-options.cfm

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LANDMARKS PRESERVATION AWARD

The Town of Cedarburg Landmarks Commission is happy to re-introduce the Landmarks Preservation Award in 2024. The Preservation Award, previously given between 2004 to 2014, is inspired by the Town motto "Preserving Yesterday's Heritage for Tomorrow" The Town Board has re-approved granting the award, which now states:

• Preservation of a home, barn, outbuilding, or other significant structure by restoration of its architectural character, structural integrity and state of repair to ensure its future.

The Landmarks Commission offers this award to encourage the preservation of century-old structures, in keeping with the rural character of the Town and its historic agricultural heritage. Structures that qualify for nomination in 2024 must be built before 1924.

The following properties are previous award winners. A plaque is on display at the Town Hall.

Past Landmarks Preservation Award Winners

- 2004: George & Jean Rudich, 318 Green Bay Road
- 2005: Linda Steinke & Sandy Desjardins, 1587 Highway I
- 2006: David & Doralice Graff, 7925 Kaehlers Mill Road
- 2007: Biuk & Barbara Karimi, 7806 Western Avenue
- 2008: David Bolwerk, 245 Granville Road
- 2011: Eernisse Funeral Home, 1167 Washington Avenue
- 2011: Paul Rasmussen, 126 Green Bay Road
- 2012: William & Jack Henke, 240 Hamilton Road
- 2014: Roger & Franz Bentz, 1051 Wauwatosa Road

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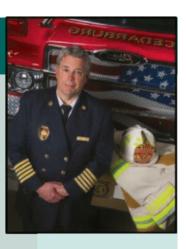
CEDARBURG FIRE DEPARTMENT

Dear Town of Cedarburg Residents,

As your Fire Chief, I deeply appreciate your engagement and participation in the Cedarburg Fire Department survey that closed on Dec. 20. Your feedback will help our elected leaders determine the best path forward as we seek to ensure quality services for our community in emergency situations.

Our survey partners are compiling your input and will share final results in January. Those results will be publicly available and we will share them with you.

In the meantime, I'd like to reiterate that the Cedarburg Fire Department is finding it increasingly difficult to provide quality emergency services. We are finding ourselves with fewer and fewer people to respond to more and more calls for service.



JEFF VAHSHOLTZ FIRE CHIEF

Why? In part because our dedicated group of volunteers cannot continue to bear the increasingly heavy burden of responding to every emergency in our community, particularly without pay. It may surprise you to learn that this group is largely unpaid for the critical services they provide – we are one of the last departments in the county that do not follow a paid-on-call model and do not compensate the majority of our team for their work, unless that work includes transporting a patient to the hospital.

Between 2012 and 2022 we experienced a nearly 47% increase in calls for service. This takes its toll on our volunteers, especially during the overnight shifts when they are getting up two or three times, getting dressed, leaving their homes, going on a fire suppression or emergency medical services call, writing a report, trying to get back to sleep, and then getting up for their day job in the morning. More information about the Fire Department's challenges are available on our website at https://www.cedarburgfiredept.com/future/

Unlike other challenges in the world, this is a problem we can solve in our community. If we can identify a funding source to provide wages to our volunteers and add a moderate number of full-time staff to the department over the next few years, we know we can reverse this challenge and ensure the future of quality fire suppression, rescue emergency medical services in Cedarburg.

I look forward to continuing to work with our elected officials in 2024 to identify the right next steps for our community.

If you have any feedback, questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jeff Vahsholtz Chief, Cedarburg Fire Department





LANDMARKS CONTINUED

Applications are available now on the Town website or at Town Hall. The deadline to apply for the award is April 1, 2024. If a winner is chosen, the announcement will be in late April, with an award ceremony in May.

Questions can be directed to Assistant Administrator/Clerk Jack Johnston at 262-377-4509 ext. 3 or jjohnston@townofcedarburgwi.gov



JACK JOHNSTON
ASST. ADMINISTRATOR/
CLERK

PUBLIC WORKS CONTINUED

Refuse and Recycling Cart Placement

During the winter months on your 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 10 feet rather than in the road where plows could hit them. Snow plow drivers want to clear the streets for your safety and obstacles such as refuse carts need to be out of the way. 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 sand, weigh 33,000 pounds and an average vehicle weighs only 3,000 pounds.





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