Town Roadways

**Drainage Ditches**

cannot be filled in with leaves, dirt and/or sod. Sprinkler heads and flower gardens MUST NOT be within the right-of-way.

**Parking on cul-de-sacs** is prohibited November 1-April 1.

**Road Right of Way**

Due to necessary maintenance of town roads (especially snow plowing), decorative mail posts, flower boxes or other items placed on the road right-of-way may be damaged. The Town is not liable for damages done to these items, nor to the grass edge along the road. The right-of-way on most roads is 66 feet wide (33 feet from the centerline).

For building setbacks, contact the La Crosse County Zoning office at (608) 785-9722.

**Shelter Rentals for 2020**

2020 Reservations can be made Beginning January 2, 2020

Contracts are available at the Town Hall. Deposit, payment and signed contract are required to reserve your date.

**Dates fill up please book early**

Dog Licenses and Renewals

All dogs residing in the Town must be licensed by 5 months of age.

A dog license is effective from January 1-December 31. All licenses expire December 31.

The fee is $12 for a spayed or neutered dog and $23 for an unaltered dog. A current rabies certificate is required.

If a dog is not licensed by April 1st, a late fee of $25 is added and after April 1st you must go to the La Crosse County Clerk Office to license your dog.

We encourage you to obtain the license through the mail. Please include: 
1) copy of rabies certificate 
2) self-addressed stamped envelope 
3) phone number

for questions. The tag and certificate will be returned to you by mail in your provided envelope. If no envelope is provided you must pick up your license at the Town Hall.

The Town has a dog ordinance and can be viewed on the town website under Chapter 8: Animals. You can also view La Crosse County (Chapter11) and State ordinances (Chapters 173 & 951) regarding animals at their respective websites.

The Town does NOT issue cat licenses.
2019 Tax Bills

Make checks payable to Town of Onalaska. Cash payments WILL NOT be accepted. Separate checks are needed for property tax, dog license and personal property tax, if applicable.

With any payment, please attach one copy of your bill and keep one for your records.

IMPORTANT: When mailing your payment, the postmark acts as the payment date. Please pay close attention to special charges on your tax bill and include them with your payment.

Tax payments are also accepted at:

Park Bank Holmen
1200 Main St. M-F 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Treasurer Hours:
November 11, 2019 through April 10, 2020
Mon – Thurs. 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Fri 8:00 a.m. – noon.

April 13, 2020 through November 20, 2020:
M-W, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Real estate tax payment options
If you are paying in two installments you must send your July (second) payment to: La Crosse County Treasurer, 212 6th St. N. La Crosse, WI 54601.

The Town CANNOT accept tax payments after January 31, 2019.

Refunds
No refunds will be issued the day of payment and no refunds are given under the amount of $10. All refunds are subject to a $10 processing fee.

Personal property
Tax bills must be paid in full by January 31, 2020.

2020 Elections

February 18
Spring Primary

April 7
Partisan Primary - Spring Election

August 11
Primary Election

November 3
General and Presidential Election

To Register to vote, or to Request an Absentee Ballot visit the website: www.mylvote.wi.gov

Remember: If your address or name has changed since you last voted, you must re-register to vote.

Polling location
Town Hall, N5589 Commerce Rd.

Voting Hours
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Town Official Races:
The following positions/candidates are up for election on April 7th, 2020:
Supervisor III Frank Fogel, and
Supervisor IV Paula Przywojski.
If you are interested in seeking a board seat the first day to circulate nomination papers is Dec. 1, 2019.

Candidacy declarations, nomination papers and campaign registration papers must be filed no later than 5 p.m. on January 7, 2020 in the Town Clerk’s office. If you have questions, please call Mary at the Clerk’s office at (608) 783-4958 ext. 201.

Office Hours

*Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 pm

*Friday 8:00 a.m.- NOON

*Closed for lunch from 12:30 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

The Treasurer is part-time April 13 through November 20, 2020.

Holiday Closures

Christmas
December 24, 2019
December 25, 2019

New Year’s
December 31, 2019
January 1, 2020

Good Friday
April 10, 2020

Memorial Day
May 25, 2020

Independence Day
Friday, July 3, 2020

Labor Day
September 7, 2020

Thanksgiving
November 26, 2020
November 27, 2020
dumpster day expanded (formerly known as electronic and appliance recycle event)

when: saturday, may 2, 2020 8-11:30 a.m.
who: town of onalaska residents only (no business or contractor use.)
where: town of onalaska, town hall n5589 commerce road parking lot

how it works: residency will be verified by a lot attendant to gain entrance to the property. please have your photo id ready. upon verification you will make payment in the form of a check or cash, then be directed where to drop off your items. you must be prepared to unload yourselves—minimal assistance for unloading will be available.

what can i bring and at what cost? the town has made extensive effort to keep this resident-only event as cost-friendly as possible however, it is necessary to charge for most items. cost is per item as follows:

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costs are subject to change based upon market fluctuation.

questions? call the town of onalaska town hall at 608-783-4958

fred funk landing completed

the newly renovated fred funk boat landing has re-opened and is providing motor boat access to those seeking to enjoy water recreation activities. new boat ramps, new docks and new lighting has been installed. the project was made possible by private and government funds. thank you to all who worked to make this upgrade a success.

in effort to help offset the costs of maintaining the landings and keeping the latrines clean and trash collected, the town is encouraging donations from boat ramp users at both the mosey and fred funk landings. if you are a boat launch user, please consider making a user donation to keep the boat launches fee free so as to allow all people to access this resource. donation boxes are located at each landing.

Census 2020

The census is more than just a head count. It provides a picture of our nation that helps determine development; distribution of federal funding; and apportionment of congressional seats, as well as providing an assessment of how our communities are changing over time. Our nation’s founders believed this data was so important that they mandated the census in the Constitution. Once every decade, the federal government conducts a census of the entire population in the United States.

In 2020 the U.S. Census Bureau will accept responses online, you can still respond by phone or mail if you prefer. Federal law protects your census responses. No law enforcement agency (not the DHS, ICE, FBI, or CIA) can access or use your personal information. Data collected can only be used for statistical purposes to help formulate decisions, including how much federal funding a community receives.

The Census Bureau will never ask for your Social Security number, bank or credit card account numbers, for money or donations, or anything on behalf of a political party. Learn more about the 2020 Census by visiting www.2020census.gov.
2020 At a Glance

List below is for planning assistance only. It is an overview and is not inclusive of all 2020 events. Dates subject to change.

January 2020
- 2nd First day to reserve Park Shelters for 2020 season
- 7th last day to submit nomination papers to run for Town Board
- Christmas Tree Drop off (see Recycler flyer for details)
- 31st Personal Property tax payments due
- 31st Real-estate Property tax payments due

February 2020
- 18th Spring Primary Election Day

March 2020
- 17th Yard waste site opens for the season (weather permitting)
- Curb side chipping begins (weather permitting)
- 31st Last day to obtain dog license from Town Treasurer

April 2020
- 7th Spring Election
- 10th Town Offices Closed
- 15th Park Shelters Open for the Season
- 21st Annual Meeting of Electors

May 2020
- 2nd Electronic and Appliance Recycle Event
- Water Quality Sampling Drive, Town Hall date to be determined

June 2020
- Routine operations continue

July 2020
- 3rd Town Offices closed
- 31st Second Half property tax due to La Crosse County

August 2020
- 11th Partisan Primary Election
- Schedule Open Book

September 2020
- 7th Town Offices Closed

October 2020
- 15th Park Shelters Close for the Season
- Yard Waste site closed on Thursdays

November 2020
- Yard Waste site closed on Thursdays
- Last month for curbside chipping (weather permitting)
- 2021 dog licenses become available from the Treasurer
- 3rd General and Presidential Election
- 14th last day Yard Waste drop site is open for the season
- 17th Budget Hearing, Board of Elector Meeting
- 26th and 27th Town Offices Closed

December 2020
- 24th, 25th, and 31st Town Offices closed
- 31st All 2020 Dog licenses expire

Town Meeting Schedule
First Tuesday of each month Storm Water Utility 7 p.m.
Monday preceding the second Tuesday Plan Commission 7 p.m.
Second and fourth Tuesday of each month Town Board 7 p.m.
Third Monday Shoreline Committee 7 p.m.
Third Tuesday of each month Park Committee 7 p.m.
Fourth Wednesday Refuse and Recycle Committee 6:30 p.m.
Ordinance Committee meets as needed

Water Quality Sampling
Even if your drinking water looks, tastes, or smells good; it may still contain harmful bacteria and the only way to know is by testing. Water quality changes over time, so testing every year is recommended.

La Crosse County Health Department will be doing a water collection in May of 2020 and the Town of Onalaska will host a collection drive at our town hall.

Watch mail and the town website for details Spring of 2020.

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