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MONTHLY MEETINGS

(Unless Otherwise Posted)

Board 2nd Tues.
1st Responders 3rd Mon.
Fire Dept. 3rd Tues.

RECYCLING/GARBAGE

Advanced Disposal picks up every Tuesday. If you have any questions or concerns please call Eric Vogel at 715-573-8518.

HALL RENTAL FEES

Lg. Room (100 people)
\$300 + \$200 deposit
Sm. Room (50 people)
\$200 + \$200 deposit
Both Rooms
\$500 + \$300 deposit

Please call Eric Vogel at 715-573-8518 for the rental of the hall.

Town of
HAMBURG

June 2023

**HAMBURG
FIRE DEPARTMENT
TRACTOR
PULLS**

SAT., JUNE 24, 2023

HAMBURG FIRE STATION

WEIGH IN STARTS AT 9 AM • PULLING STARTS AT 11 AM

FOOD AND BEVERAGE WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL DAY

BEAN BAG TOURNAMENT AFTER THE PULLS





A Note from the Chairman,

Happy dry June everyone!!! As always, I would like to thank our board members for

their continued service to our community. Also, we can't forget the town employee's and all of the volunteer Fire Department and 1st Responders for their hard work and dedication to Hamburg and surrounding areas.

If you have a concern, please text or call so we can talk. I still am noticing people putting their lawn/yard waste in the road ditches. Please refrain from that as it hinders road drainage and our mowing operations.

LED lighting has finally been installed at the town garage. A new roof was installed last fall as well. We bought a small dump truck too in the last year. We are still looking for a wheeled excavator for ditching and culvert work. Currently this

is subcontracted out. We are in the process of getting quotes on new garage doors at the town shed this year. Make sure to read through the annual meeting minutes in the newsletter.

Thanks again for reelecting us all back on the board this past April. I was not planning on running again this year. I know that I am not the most qualified person to help run this town and I can only fool you for so long. So, hopefully in the future, someone else will. But, in the meantime, you are stuck with me. I remember the weather was not good the night of our town caucus in January. We barely had enough people for a quorum. Also, I did not send out postcard reminders of it. Sorry. But it was properly posted in 3 locations in town and on our website just like all our meetings are! With the addition of the new digital sign board at the fire department, the caucus meeting will be posted there as well, before the next one in January of 2025. Hey, speaking of the sign, we need to

thank our first responders for applying for the grant that was used to pay for it!

I am thinking about not sending out a newsletter next year. The letter is pretty much the same every year and you can find all the info out you need to know on the town website. This would save a little bit of money. Instead, I am thinking I will just send out a postcard for dust control sign up.

There are many ways to get in contact with me. Feel free to stop by the farm if you want, or call my landline (715-539-3781) and leave a message. My cell phone (715-573-8518) is a good way to reach me also, but the reception is not the greatest, so sometimes it takes a while for my voicemails to show up. You can also text me and I'll get back to you as soon as I can.

It's an honor, a pleasure and sometimes a challenge to serve as your town chair!

See you around town,
Eric Vogel

FIRE DANGER

Check out the sign at the fire station to stay informed what the fire danger is for the day. The DNR updates the danger level at 11:00 am every day so you may also check out their website. Just google Wisconsin DNR Fire Danger. Stay safe; make sure you have a burning permit & call the number on that permit before burning. (there is not a charge for permits)

ROAD UPDATES

The east mile of Skye Falls and the east mile of Nauguart Dr. was covered recently with diabase. Parts of the north south roads will also be covered this year as budget allows. Granite will be put on Schoolhouse and Deer Creek north of Hwy L later in June or early July. Culvert repair/installation and ditching will occur after that. Call John or Jordan to get on the list if you wish to receive fill from road ditching this summer. We try to haul ditch material to the closest dump site to be more efficient during this process.

SMOKE AND CO DETECTORS

Now is a good time to replace the batteries and check your smoke and CO detectors to make sure they are working properly.



If you have received this newsletter and the address is incorrect or you know someone living in the township who is not receiving a newsletter please call Eric Vogel to have it corrected.

TOWN OF HAMBURG USAGE RATES

The Town of Hamburg establishes the following usage rates for their equipment inventory & services that are commonly used & requested. The list below outlines the equipment usage rates that the Town of Hamburg will charge for local residents & surrounding townships requesting support.

- 1) Truck: \$100.00 per hour (\$100.00 minimum)
- 2) Grader: \$150.00 per hour (\$100.00 minimum)
- 3) End Loader: \$100.00 per hour
- 4) Sanding: \$35.00 flat rate (no charge to Maple Grove school & local churches)
Businesses: \$50.00 flat rate
- 5) Culvert installation: Cost of culvert and materials, plus equipment rate usage listed above
- 6) Steamer: \$60.00 per hour
- 7) Labor \$25.00 per hour
- 8) There will be NO private driveway plowing.

DOG LICENSING

All dogs need to be licensed in Marathon County. Please call Teri to get them licensed. Despite this, nearly all the lost dogs we get called about do not have a license, making it difficult to locate the owners. In an effort to reduce this as well, we now have a *local ordinance* in place with enforcement options.



PLOWING ACROSS THE ROAD

Plowing across any road in Wisconsin is illegal because it creates a safety issue for our drivers and increases the likelihood that our equipment will be damaged, costing all of us money. Please stop if you've done that in the past. In an effort to reduce this practice, we now have a *local ordinance* in place with enforcement options.



PIT RUN PROCEDURES

Each household in the Town of Hamburg is authorized to receive 200 yards of pit run. The price is \$3 per yard if you haul it or \$5 per yard if the town loader is used. We have put up cameras to better monitor who is coming and going into the town pit.

OPEN BOOK & BOARD OF REVIEW

Reassessing is happening this year. Open book will be August 8 from 3-5 pm and August 10 from 5-7 pm. Board of review will be August 17 from 6-8 pm

FIRST RESPONDERS & FIREMEN NEEDED

We have positions open for firefighters and first responders. Men and women are encouraged to apply .. if interested please call Ryan Debroux at 715-370-4860 for firefighters or Karri Moodie at 715-2574-8329 for first responders.



BUILDING PERMITS:

Building permits are needed for all NEW home construction. The business to contact is Northwinds Inspections at 715-539-3000 to get the proper paperwork. The permit is required by the state. We will keep you posted as changes may take affect after the first of the year.

BURNING PERMITS:

All fires, including burn barrels need a burning permit which are available annually at no charge. For more information please contact Jodi Bloch at 715-257-7632.

FIRE FEES: \$750 for the first hour & \$375 for each hour after. Please check with your insurance to verify coverage.



FIREWORK PERMITS

A permit, per state statute 167.10 is needed for all fireworks that leave the ground. Permits are free of charge and can be acquired by Eric Vogel.

DRIVEWAY PERMITS

A permit is needed for new driveways in the town. Permits are free of charge & can be acquired through Jordan Artus or John Stubbe.

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 18, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eric Vogel at 7:00 PM. Vogel thanked all for attending. We opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Thirty-three residents were in attendance.

Clerk Dawn Czech read the minutes from the 2022 Annual meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Jim Schara and seconded by Mike Lange.

Czech also read the 2022 Financial report. Question was raised on the amounts spent on Ditching and culverts in 2022. \$23,725.00 was spent on ditching and some brushing, while \$11,443.69 was spent on culverts. The Culvert amount is contained in the Road Maintenance Supplies entry in the Annual Report. Motion was made by Jim Schara and seconded by Craig Carlson to accept the report as read. Motion carries.

Ryan DeBroux, Fire Chief, gave a Fire Department Report.

Debroux detailed the Fire Department Annual report that gives an accounting of the Fundraising efforts of the FD members. Income in 2022 was \$24,951.65. The Department was called to 85 total calls last year, which 65 were EMS and 16 Fire. There are 29 members on the Department and all of them appreciate the Township's support in all of the Department's endeavors.

Jen Borchardt gave an Emergency Medical Responder Report.

The EMR group has 17 members from Hamburg and surrounding townships. Their annual fundraisers consist of helping at the Fire Dept tractor pull, providing EMS coverage at the Edgar Steam show, and a Fall Mum sale. In 2022 they applied for and received a \$53,840 grant to construct the electronic sign in front of the Town Hall, purchase communication radios, training CPR mannequins and monitors, and a computer smart board for training purposes. A resident requested dimming the electronic sign at night to tone down the glare for the traffic on Hwy A. Night time light values will be investigated.

Motion made by Jeff Artus and seconded by Jim Schara to accept the Fire Department and EMR report. Motion carries.

2022 Supervisors Report.

Jordan Artus, Supervisor, reported on the 2022 highlights:

-A used F350 truck was purchased in 2022 for the Road Maintenance crew to use in their work around the township.

-Ditching was done on Wilde Drive.

-Road resurfacing work was done in 2022 on Skye Falls Drive, Naugart Drive and Einert Creek Lane.

-The 2023 Granite and Diabase bids were opened at the April Town Board Meeting last week. Granite was \$9.99/yd and Diabase at \$10.15/ton.

-Supervisors thanked our Road maintenance crew for their work this past year, and appreciates resident's continued patience with the hard winter road conditions this past winter.

Motion to approve the Supervisors report by Bill Rauen, seconded by Jim Schara. Motion carries.

Vogel presented the Chairman's Report.

Vogel thanks the assembled residents for coming. Highlights of the past year include:

1. The Spring elections this month reelected the entire Town Board to an additional 2yr term. They thank you for your confidence.
2. Town Hall rental rates have increased by \$100.00 per rental due to recent property damages by some renters.
3. Residential garbage and recycling contracts will be up for renewal in 2023. The bidding process will start this fall.
4. A township wide Property Assessment re-eval is happening in 2023. The annual Board of Review will be in August.
5. A new metal recycling dumpster will soon be available for residents to use at the Town Shed. A list of approved metal recyclables will be in the Hamburg Newsletter.
6. The Town Shed has had a roof and door replacements in 2022.

7. Approximately \$134,000 worth of grant monies has been awarded to the Fire Department and EMR as was previously mentioned.
8. Phone service has been discontinued at the Town Shed and Town Hall due to low volumes of calls at both locations. This will save the Township \$1800 per year.

Vogel then asked Robin Hansen, Maple Grove Principal, for a school update.

Hansen thanked all for the Townships support of Maple Grove and for passing the recent operating referendum in the Athens School District. This past weekend's Maple Grove Pancake Breakfast served nearly 500 persons at the Hamburg Town Hall. It was the culmination of a whole unit of learning about maple syrup production and marketing by the entire school population. The school is always looking for community participation. Hansen thanks the Hamburg Fire Department for their "Fire Up to Read" program, which has FD/EMR members reading to the students on a weekly basis again this year.

Motion was made by Clayton Nueske, seconded by Jim Schara to accept the Chairman's Report. Motion carries.

Old Business

Vogel reported on the action the Town Board had taken as directed by residents at the 2022 Annual meeting. (1.) Town Road Shed's roof was replaced last fall using Federal American Rescue Plan Act funds of \$49,000. (2.) The purchase of the Road Maintenance utility truck for \$30,000. (3.) Culvert and ditching of selected areas within the township.

The Town Board is actively looking for an excavator to be used in ditching and culvert installations. Residents questioned the existing machinery the town currently owns to accomplish this work. Supervisors state all equipment is aging and a new-used excavator would take the place of hiring an outside contractor to do the work. They estimate spending \$80-\$100,000 will be necessary to get a good used excavator. Questions were also raised on a Lease to Own new machine, with a good service agreement.

Motion was made by Brad Borchardt to spend up to \$150,000 on a wheeled excavator, seconded by Clayton Nueske. Motion carries with a voice vote of 31 Yea, 2 Nay.

Motion was also made by Jennifer Kearns and seconded by Craig Carlson to increase the Annual Machinery Fund contribution by \$15,000, to \$40,000 total per year. Motion carries with a voice vote of 32 Yea, 1 Nay.

New Business

-Residents raised concerns over the recent Wind Turbine push in neighboring townships. Land owners are being offered money for the leasing of selected acreage on their properties. The Turbines are approximately 800 feet tall and the quarter mile area of land around them needs to be kept clear of structures and activity (i.e., farming, hunting, recreational activity, etc.).

The Town of Rib Falls is currently looking at an ordinance against this type of development, using existing ordinances used by municipalities in Western Wisconsin. The Hamburg Town Board will be looking into this issue.

All are encouraged to discuss this issue with their neighbors and family members.

-Residents of the Lincoln Drive area near the active mining and gravel pit site, to the West of Hwy 107, are VERY upset over the recent large-scale blasting going on. Matthew Zastrow, mine representative, reported they are one of four quarries in Wisconsin to be supplying rock to line the shores of both the Mississippi River and the Lake Michigan shoreline. He apologized for the large-scale blast recently, and states they will be scaling back on the explosive power in future. Residents will be notified by letter before the next blasting session and the mine supervisors will monitor their hours of operation to cause the least disruption. The road conditions on Lincoln Drive will also be scrutinized by the Township. Zastrow states that the mine will provide materials to repair any damage caused by the trucking of material from the mine.

Vogel announces the next Annual Meeting is set for April 16, 2024 at 7pm at the Town Hall.

Jennifer Kearns made the motion to adjourn at 8:35 pm, seconded by Bill Rauen. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn R. Czech,

WHAT CAN YOU RECYCLE IN YOUR BIN?

ACCEPTABLE



MORE HELPFUL TIPS

PLACE ALL RECYCLABLES LOOSE IN THE RECYCLING BIN OR CART.



RINSE PLASTIC AND METAL CONTAINERS TO REMOVE ALL REMAINING RESIDUE.

DO NOT PLACE YARD WASTE IN YOUR RECYCLING CART.



ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN YOUR CART OR BIN TO BE COLLECTED. DO NOT PLACE RECYCLABLES ON TOP OF OR AROUND YOUR CONTAINER.


















BOTTLE CAPS CAN REMAIN ON THE ITEM AND CAN BE RECYCLED TOO!

IF YOUR RECYCLING PROGRAM ACCEPTS GLASS, YES, ALL COLORS ARE ACCEPTABLE.



WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT (IN THE GARBAGE).

UNACCEPTABLE

	PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS	These are the most common item in the bin or cart that shouldn't be there, and they can be the most detrimental. When they get caught in the recycling sorter, they have to shut the whole system down and manually pull them out. Instead, consider recycling them by taking them back to grocery, pharmacy, or big-box stores where there are specially designated bins for recycling plastic bags.
	TAKE-OUT CONTAINERS & DONUT BOXES	Food residue can contaminate the boxes or other recyclable material. They can only be recycled if free of food waste and residue from food (think cheese from pizza).
	POLYSTYRENE (STYROFOAM)	Although Styrofoam is recyclable, it requires highly specialized equipment that single stream recycling facilities are not equipped with. Some restaurants (such as Chick-fil-A) accept their own Styrofoam cups for recycling.
	PAPER COFFEE CUPS	Although often thought of as a better alternative to Styrofoam, paper cups pose issues to recycling as well due to the plastic coating applied to prevent leaking. Your best bet is to bring your own mug!
	SHREDDED PAPER	Shredding paper reduces its size so dramatically that it ends up mixed with the residue or glass at recycling facilities. Because the machines sort broken glass and other debris by size, the shredded paper often gets destroyed or disposed of because it ends up in the wrong place. Once it is mixed with glass or residue, it cannot be recovered for recycling.
	PIZZA BOXES	This is one of the most common recycling mistakes. Although they are made of cardboard, the grease from the pizza contaminates the raw material. You can tear off the unvarnished parts and recycle them though!
	HOUSEHOLD GLASS	Items like window panes, mirrors, light bulbs and dishes are dangerous and should be left out of your recycling. Light bulbs can be recycled at many hardware and home improvements stores. Dishes, if not broken, can be donated to local charities.
	WET PAPER	Paper that has gotten wet can make recycling difficult or impossible. Take care to cover your recyclables to keep them safe from the elements. Wet paper should be discarded with the trash.
	MILK & JUICE CARTONS	These are often coated with a thin layer of wax but can still be recycled in many (but not all) communities. Best bet is to check with the local municipality, hauler or recycler to see if these can be recycled.
	BABY DIAPERS	The plastic and paper from them cannot be salvaged. Plus it's just plain gross!
	AEROSOL CANS	While these are made of metal, because of the chemicals used to pressurize the cans, they are classified as a household hazardous waste and should be discarded as such - not with recyclables or with the garbage.
	CERAMICS & POTTERY	This includes things like coffee mugs and old flower pots. Look into donating items like this if they are in alright shape, someone else may be able to reuse them!
	PAINT, PESTICIDES, AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS, DIESEL FUEL, GASOLINE, KEROSENE & CAR BATTERIES	They cannot be accepted and should be disposed of at a hazardous waste disposal facility.
	AUTOMOTIVE PARTS & SCRAP METALS	These are too large and cumbersome for recycling equipment and could cause injury.
	HYPODERMIC NEEDLES	At one time, people were told that it was safe to put needles into a plastic bottle. It is not safe. Our workers can be exposed to grave illness and blood borne diseases. People need to properly dispose of used needles.

Hamburg has a metal recycling container at the Hamburg Town Shed for ongoing usage.

Below is a list of items that can be recycled:

A/C CONDENSER CORES
AEROSOL CANS (Empty, Punctured)
AIR CONDITIONERS
ALTERNATORS/STARTERS
ALUMINUM - listed below:
Awnings, Cans, Gutters, Ladders,
Rims, Siding, Signs & Wire
APPLIANCES - ALL
AUTOMOBILES (Engines, Parts & Rims)
BALLASTS (No PCB'S)
BARRELS (Aluminum & Steel)
BATHTUBS (Cast Iron)
BATTERIES (Lead-Acid, UPS, Li-Ion,
Ni-Cd & Ni-Mh) & Steel Cased
BBQ GRILLS
BEVERAGE CANS
BICYCLES
BLENDERS
BLOWERS-LEAF, ETC (drained)
BOATS (Aluminum & Steel)
BRASS/BRONZE (All types)
BRONZE (All types)
CABLE (Aluminum, Copper & Steel)
CANOES (Aluminum & Steel)
CANS (Aluminum & Steel)
CARBIDE-TOOLING, OTHER
CARS (Engines, Batteries & Rims)
CAST IRON (Bathtubs, Sinks, etc)
CATALYTIC CONVERTERS
COAXIAL CABLE
CHAIN SAWS (Gas & Oil free)
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
CIRCUIT BREAKERS
COAT HANGERS (Steel)
COMPRESSORS
CONDUIT PIPE (Aluminum & Steel)
COPPER
(All types: Gutters, Pipe, Tube & Wire)
CRUTCHES (Aluminum)
DEMOLITION SCRAP
DIESEL ENGINES/BLOCKS
DIECAST-ALL TYPES
DISHWASHERS
DRINK CANS
DRYERS/WASHING MACHINES
DUCT WORK
ELECTRIC METERS
ELECTRIC MOTORS
ELECTRIC WIRE
(stripped & unstripped)
ENGINES, CAR & MOWER, ETC
(drained)
EXERCISE EQUIPMENT (most accepted)
EXTENSION CORDS
FANS

FENCING (no concrete attached)
FIRE EXTINGUISHERS
(cut or punctured)
FIREPLACE GRATES, DOORS
(no glass)
FORKLIFTS -TRUCKS, ETC.
FREEZERS
FUSE PANELS
FURNACES
GAS TANKS (cut in half only)
GENERATORS - Car, Home & Large
GUTTERS - Aluminum, Copper & Steel
HANGERS, COAT - Steel
HELIAX
HOT WATER HEATERS
I-BEAMS - Steel
IRRIGATION PIPE - Aluminum & Steel
IRON CAST, OTHER
INSULATED WIRE -
Aluminum & Copper
LADDERS - Aluminum & Steel
LAWN MOWERS (gas & oil drained)
LAWN FURNITURE
LEAD - See Below:
Lead Weights, Wheel Weights,
Shields, etc.
LEAF BLOWERS (gas & oil drained)
LIGHT FIXTURES - with & without
ballasts/transformers
LITHO PLATES
MANGANESE
METAL - See Below:
Cast, Galvanized, Iron & Sheet, etc)
MICROWAVES No Charge/No Value
MIXERS
MOTORS & BLOCKS,
ELECTRIC & GAS
(must be drained of all fluids)
NAILS - Aluminum & Steel
OVENS - All Types
PLUMBING FIXTURES
PIPE - Copper, Galvanized & Steel
Lead Weights, Wheel Weights,
Shields, etc.
POLES - Aluminum & Steel
POP CANS
POTS & PANS
SCREENS - from Doors & Windows
SCREWS - Aluminum, Brass & Steel
SEALED UNITS/COMPRESSORS
SHELLS - Brass, Casings & Others
SIDING - Aluminum
SIGNS - Aluminum & Steel
SINKS - Cast Iron, Metal & Stainless
STARTERS/ALTERNATORS

SODA CANS
STAINLESS STEEL, ALL
(including sinks)
STARTERS & ALTERNATORS
STEEL - All types
Beams, Cabinets, Cans, Hangers, etc
STEEL Borings, Stampings & Turnings
STOVES Electric, Gas & Wood
STOVE TOPS
STRUCTURAL STEEL
TANKS (cut in half or 2ft. square cut in)
TELEPHONE WIRE
TIN
TIN FOIL (must be clean)
TOBACCO RACKS
TRACTORS Farm, Lawn & Other
TRANSFORMERS (oil free)
TRANSMISSIONS (must be drained)
TRIPLEX WIRE (Stripped & Insulated)
TRUCKS (all Truck Parts)
TUNGSTEN
VACUUM CLEANERS
No Charge/No Value
WASHING MACHINES/DRYERS
WATER HEATERS
WEED WACKERS (oil & gas free)
WHEEL & RIMS Aluminum & Steel
WHEEL WEIGHTS Lead & Steel
WIRE - Stripped or Insulated
Alum, Copper, Steel & Triplex,
Stripped & Insulated
WIRING HARNESS Car, Truck & other
WHITE GOODS Appliances
WROUGHT IRON
ZINC

*Additional Information:
We kindly accept and recycle the following items if the compressors are removed:
Refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, air conditioners, tires, LP tanks and drain oil.*

Due to new E-Scrap recycling regulations, we are unable to take any type of Televisions, including Tube, LCD, LED, etc. at this time.

DUST CONTROL

PAYMENT AND REQUEST MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 22, 2023

Our goal is to put dust control on all new surfaces.
Dust control will still be available to residents as it has been in the past.

The cost for each 300 foot strip will be \$150.00.

Please send payment along with the form below to:
Town of Hamburg, Attn: Eric Vogel, 244438 Schoolhouse Lane, Athens, WI 54411.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Strips Purchased _____ x \$150 = Total Due _____