



September, 2003

Town of Saukville

Chairman's Message . . .

From Terry Hoffman

Hello to All,

Peters Assessment Services has finished re-assessing all the real property in the Town. After visiting each property in the Township, the assessor has determined the market value of each tax parcel and the value of the improvements on each property.

This week each Town of Saukville property-owner should have received a letter showing your property assessment.

If you have reason to think that your assessment is not in line with comparable properties we invite you to the **Open Book, Sat. Sept. 27, 9 am to 4 pm & Wed. Oct. 1, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm** at the Town Hall. Mr. Peters will be on hand to address any questions you have about your assessment. The Town Board of Review will meet later in the year to take up any disputed assessments.

I would like to thank Cindy De Groot for her many years in as Board assistant in the Town offices. Cindy recently left the Town Hall to take a full-time job with Ozaukee County. We all wish her the best in her new position.

Our new administrative assistant, Debra Walls, will be helping us out at the Town Hall. Debra has offered to hold the Town offices open one Saturday morning a month to allow residents who need to visit the Town Hall to do their business when they do their recycling. I hope you will stop by on Saturday, September 27th to say hello and welcome her to our community.

I would also like to welcome our Plan Commission member, Kathryn Golsteyn. Ms. Golsteyn comes to us with excellent credentials and she should be an excellent addition to our commission.

The Plan Commission and Town Board are addressing the issue of factory farms or concentrated feeding operations in the Town. A copy of the proposed ordinance covering CAFOs is available for free at the Town Hall. Action on the adoption of the ordinance will be taken up at the Sept. 16, 2003 Town Board meeting.

We invite you to attend the meetings, which are open to the public. The Plan Commission meeting is held the second Tuesday of each month. The Town Board meets on the third Tuesday of the

TOWN HALL HOURS

Monday through Friday from
9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Fourth Saturday of the month
9:00 am to 12:00 noon
and by appointment

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Open Book:

Saturday, Sept. 27th

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

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Wednesday, Oct. 1st

6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Plan Commission Meetings:

2nd Tuesday each month

Town Board Meetings:

3rd Tuesday each month

Board of Review:

Wednesday, October 22nd

7:00 pm—9:00 pm

**Written notice of intent to object
must be presented at the Town Hall
before**

Noon Monday, October 20th

DUE TO DRY CONDITIONS

THERE IS A BAN

ON ALL FIRES

IN THE TOWN

BY ORDER

OF THE FIRE WARDEN

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Town of Saukville
3762 Lakeland Drive
Saukville, WI 53080

PRSRT – STD
U.S. Postage Paid
Grafton, WI
Permit # 11

Town of Saukville
Rural Route Customer
Saukville, WI 53080

FARMLAND PRESERVATION:
If you did any land divisions or zoning changes, the landowner will need a new certificate to qualify at a cost of five dollars (\$5.00). For more information contact the Town Hall at 675-9217.

HOUSE NUMBERS:

The frame and tiles are available for cost of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) at the Town Hall.

DOG LICENSES ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL DOGS MORE THAN FIVE MONTHS OLD ON JAN. 1ST.

or five months of age within the license year. A \$5.00 late fee will be charged if you fail to obtain a license prior to April 1ST or within 30 days of acquiring ownership of a licensable dog. State law requires that dogs over five months of age be vaccinated against rabies. Please contact the Town Hall for a form and mail it along with the proper fee and a self-addressed stamped business-sized envelope to Saukville Town Hall. (Only one such envelope is required for tax receipt and dog license.) If this is a new dog, or if the old certificate has expired, include a copy of the "Certificate of Rabies Vaccination" from your veterinarian

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Neutered Males or Spayed Females -- \$3.00
Males or Females -- \$8.00

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Adm.: Roger Kison
262-375-1349

Chairman's message continued

month. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm unless otherwise noted.

Agendas and notices are posted at the Town hall, MacCarthy's Tavern and the Oscar Grady Library.

I would like to take this time to thank our Plan Commission and Town Board members, Quarry Committee, Election workers and Town staff for the fine job they do. I appreciate all their efforts.

We hope to see you at a Town meeting soon.

TOWN HALL TO BE OPEN MORNINGS - FOURTH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Do you need to purchase house numbers but find it difficult to get to the Town Hall on weekday mornings?

Would you like to build a garage on your property but you don't want to take off time from your job to pick up the building permit?

You missed the last Town Board meeting and you are interested in what action was taken on an issue that is important to you.

To help with these problems and any other Town business, the Town Hall will be open during recycling hours on the fourth Saturday of each month. Stop by on Saturday, September 27th or Saturday October 25th, or Saturday, November 29th and see the Town staff about your concerns.

OPEN BOOK SATURDAY, SEPT. 13TH 9 AM - 4 PM & WEDNESDAY SEPT. 17 6:30 PM— 9:30 PM AT TOWN HALL

A reassessment is required whenever a town's assessment falls to about 80% of the state's estimate of fair market value. A "walk-through" reassessment, like the one that was done in the Town this summer, produces a consistent and fair overall valuation of properties and improvements in the Town.

An increase in the assessed value of a property does not necessarily mean that your own taxes will increase. The assessed value of the property is only one component used to figure your final property tax bill. Your property taxes are determined by multiplying the *assessed value* of the property by the *tax rate* per thousand dollars of property value. If the taxing jurisdictions budgets do not increase the total property taxes collected from Town residents will not increase.

Your total property tax bill is affected by the school tax assessment, the county tax assessment, the assessment for the technical schools, and a small portion, about 6%, for the Town levy.

The Town budget for 2004 will be presented later this year. Last year the budget hearing was in late November. This is an open meeting and town residents are encouraged to attend. Notice for the date and time of the budget hearing will be posted at the Town Hall, MacCarthy's Tavern, the Oscar Grady Library and published in the Ozaukee Press.

JUNK CAR & TRASH ORDINANCE REMINDER

Town ordinance 97-4 requires the clean-up of junk and junk cars that are visible from the road or neighboring properties.

Farm machinery, seasonal use vehicles and cars under active restoration are exempt from this ordinance.

The ordinance empowers the Town to order clean-up of the property with the cost of the clean-up added to the property tax bill of the owner of the property.

No trash, junk lumber, used tires, household goods, or appliances will be allowed to accumulate in open unsheltered areas on private property for more than thirty days.

No disassembled, inoperable, junked or wrecked motor vehicles shall be stored unenclosed upon private property unless it is in connection with an authorized automotive repair, storage or salvage business located in a properly zoned area.

For removal of household goods, check the Yellow Page's listing for Rubbish and Garbage removal or donate useable furniture and appliances to an organization like Goodwill or Family Sharing of Ozaukee County.

Town to Challenge State Census Figures

The Wisconsin Dept. of Administration estimated that the population of the Town has grown from 1755 residents in 2000 to 1771 residents in 2003.

Town officials believe that the 2003 estimate is too low. Based on occupancy permits for new construction issued by the Town, 27 new houses were built in the Town since the census was taken in 2000. If all those homes are occupied at this time the actual population of the

Town would be at least 1782. If more than one person lives in each home then the population increase would be that much more.

Some State aids are population based. It is important that the population figures used by the State are correct so that the Town of Saukville will receive all the State aids that it is entitled to.

The Town will prepare a challenge and send it to the State in September. The State will determine whether or not the challenge is valid.

Please Note:

The Town Plan Commission will not consider proposals for land divisions or zoning changes from anyone other than the owner of the property under consideration.

A Note from Roger Kison, Building Inspector

There has been a change in building permit procedures involving septic system evaluations. Both the Ozaukee County department of Planning, Resources and Land Management and the Town have agreed that projects involving additional bedrooms, additional sanitary waste load, or that are located within 1000' of a navigable lake, pond or flowage, and within 300' of navigable rivers, streams or intermittent streams will be the only projects that will involve County approval.

Building projects such as decks, sheds, interior remodeling, and any other projects that do not fall into the above category will be able to have building permits issued without additional County approval. In order for these building permits to be processed without County approval, the surveys or site plans submitted must show exactly where the

sanitary system is located in conjunction to the proposed improvement (deck, shed, etc.) Secondly the property owner must sign a disclaimer form.

Descriptive building handouts and applications are available at Town Hall. By following the requirements in the handout, it will speed up the permit process. Complete submittals including detailed plans are important, as they are the road map to complete your project. **Processing of most building permits will take 5-10 working days. Please plan accordingly.**

In the Town of Saukville, building permits are also required for decks, accessory buildings, new siding, air conditioners, furnaces, and water heaters or water softener replacement.

Permits are valid for one year only. The Town Building Code states that substantial work shall be started within 6 months of the date of the permit issuance.

After one year the permit expires.

All projects requiring permits are also required to have rough and or final inspections made by the building. If your project is ready for inspection, please call our office at (262) 375-1349 to make an appointment for inspection. Inspections are scheduled Monday through Friday. Note that residential roofing, or re-roofing projects do not require a permit unless structural work is done; such as rafter replacement, addition of skylights, etc.

If you have any questions or comments or have any suggestions for a topic to be addressed in the Town newsletter please let me know and I will be happy to try to address it.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL Diggers Hotline before doing any excavating. They will mark underground utilities such as gas and electric. Their toll free number is: 1-800-242-8511.