

# **Town of Sharon News**

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## Saturday, May 14, 2022

Town of Sharon Garage 1721 Grader Lane off Hwy 66, west of Polonia 8AM to 2PM



### **APPLIANCES & OTHER**

<u>These items are FREE</u>: Bicycles, washers, dryers, microwaves, dishwashers, water heaters, auto and Truck batteries, lawn mowers, anything metal, computers, laptops and like electronics

Freon Fees		Tires		
Freezers	\$25.00	Car tires	\$ 8.00 each	Welceme
Dehumidifers	\$25.00	Truck tires	\$ 8.00 each	
Refrigerators	\$25.00	Semi tires	\$23.00 each	Spring
Air Conditioners \$25.00				Oprille

Loader/skidder, tractor, or large iimplement tires \$28.00 Computer monitors and TVs - 50 cents per pound

Any clean up at your property (large items like autos, etc.) ask at site for pricing. No paper, plastics, wood, furniture or items like these as these are land fill items. For special disposal needs, call the Portage County Transfer Facility at 715-343-6297.



## WHAT'S NEW IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?



## POLONIA PARK!

The Town of Sharon has a public park & is called "Polonia Park." It is located 0.03 miles south of State Highway 66 at: 1687 County Rd K N Custer, WI. Sacred Heart Church donated the parcel that included the baseball diamond, concession stand & bleachers. Thank you, Sacred Heart Church for your generosity. Many improvements & ideas are planned including but not limited to: the addition of picnic tables, benches, extend current concession stand with enclosed seating area & attached pavilion, playground area & a parking lot. If you are interested in donating toward the Polonia Park improvement, mail to: Town of Sharon , 6704 State Hwy 66, Custer, WI 54423 with **check payable** to: Town of Sharon Attn: Polonia Park. Volunteers are needed to help make the park an enjoyable place for everyone. The Polonia Park committee members are: Lori Printz, Gayle Hintz, Kevin Schleicher, Kris Kranski & John Hopfensperger. Let's get this PARK started!



TOWN BOARD MEETINGS/OFFICE HOURS: Town Board meetings are held monthly on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Town Plan Commission meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm (if needed). In-person office hours are: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm; Wednesdays from 9 am to 3 pm; and, Saturdays from 9 am to 12 noon. Please check the town website monthly for specified Saturday morning dates. However, it is ususally every other Saturday morning. Please note that you are able to text or call Pam, the Clerk/Treasurer at 715-321-6201 anytime before and after office hours.

outdoor drop box conveniently located by the front entrance of the town hall. This drop box is secured to the cement slab. It provides you with an opportunity to drop off dog/driveway/weight limit permits, invoices, any payments due the town, basically anything that you would mail or bring in person can be deposited at any time. The drop box has a front locking access door. It is open for business. The town also has a security light for night drop off. We believe this asset will meet our needs today and in the future.

**BURNING PERMITS**: Burning permits are required by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources ito conduct legal and responsible burning. They encourage the public to burn safely to be effective in protecting lives, property and natural resources from the damages of willdfires.

## SIMPLE STEPS TO SAFE BURNING

- 1. GET A PERMIT—Visit dnr.wi.gov enter keywor d "fire" to obtain a free permit online or call 1-888-WIS-BURN (947-2876). The permit can be instantly emailed or mailed (3-5 business days).
- 2. CHECK BEFORE BURNING—On the day you wish to burn, call the hotline or check onine after 11 a.m. for current burning restrictions. Fire conditions change quickly, so it's important to check each day you burn to find out if burning is allowed, burning hours and any size limitations.
- 3. FOLLOW THE RULES— Follow the daily fire restrictions listed on the permit. Make sure you have all the necessary tools to keep your fire contained. Lastly, make sure your fire is completely out before leaving.

**DRIVEWAY PERMITS**: Driveway permits are the first step when considering a new structure off of a town road or a second driveway. If you are on a County Road, contact Portage County. The permit form will help determine the need for a fire number or culvert to assure the placement of the driveway meets the spacing requirements. Driveway permit forms can be found on our website address listed above.

HARTER'S FOX VALLEY DISPOSAL GARBAGE/RECYCLING: Garbage is picked up every Friday and recyclables are picked up every other Friday, except when a holiday falls on a weekday. This would change pick up to Saturday of that week. Please place your garbage and recycling carts out no later than 5:00 a.m. on scheduled pick up day. If you have had your garbage/recycling missed for pick up, please call Harter's at 1-888-804-8556 or call the office at 715-592-6600. If you need a copy of a garbage/recycling pick up schedule, please call the office or visit our website.

ATV/UTV ORDINANCE #02-2020: On June 9, 2020, the ATV/UTV ordinance was adopted & was effective on July 3, 2020. The ordinance contains rules & restrictions to keep riders & residents safe. We encourage residents to provide feedback & share their experiences. Residents can call our office or email (townofsharon@outlook.com). ATV/UTV users are expected to be aware of the ordinance in our town & adhere to the laws & requirements as written by the state & town. If all road users do their part, we will all have a safe, respectful & enjoyable experience on Town of Sharon roads.

<u>DOG LICENSES</u>: Upon reaching five months of age, all dogs must be licensed and have an active rabies vaccination certificate from a licensed veterinarian. Please remember that all dog licenses expire on December 31 of each year. Your dog is not licensed for the current year until you apply for it. State Laws and Portage County Ordinance require that all dogs are to be vaccinated and licensed.

You may license your dog via mail or at the Town Hall office. A spayed or neutered dog is \$12.00 and dogs that are not spayed or neutered cost is \$22.00. Any person having custody or ownership of a dog shall promptly remove & dispose of any excrement left or deposited by the animal upon public or private property of others.



IF YOU LOVE ME, LICENSE ME. IT'S THE LAW!

GRANT MONEY RECEIVED FOR ROADS: The Town received grant money for road projects in 2021 and we have also been awarded grant money in 2022 for road projects. For several years, the Town Board submits multiple applications for these funds because why not? There's free money out there — let's go and get it to improve our roads! The funding for the local projects is a component of the Local Roads Improvement Program (LRIP), a reimbusrement program of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. This program assists local units of government in improving deteriorating town roads under the authority of the local unit of government by paying up to 50% of the total eligible project costs, with the balance matched by the local unit of government.

In 2021, the town was awarded \$119,312.50 for the reconditioning part of Ellis Road and \$199,019.28 for the recondition of County Line/Pulaski Roads. For 2022, the town has been awarded a limit of up to \$190,121.40 for the road project scheduled for Hillcrest Road. We have also been awarded a limit of up to \$119,099.61 for the scheduled road project on Edgewood Road. Any grant money we can obtain is a key piece to providing a quality transportation system that promotes public safety.

<u>WEIGHT LIMITS</u>: Seasonal weight limits may be imposed during the spring thaw. If anyone wants to exceed a special or seasonal weight limit, they must first obtain a permit from the town. A permit form can also be found on our website.

<u>TOWN EXPENDITURES—2021</u>: How is the town spending the money? The following is a brief breakdown of expenses. Garbage and recycling: \$147,495; Public Safety (Fire Protection and First Responders) - \$104,606; Highways and Streets (town roads/equipment) - \$318,618; Debt Service (loans) - \$368,905; General Government (Town Board, Clerk/Treasurer, Elections, Assessor, Municipal Building and Insurance) - \$130,991.00; Polonia Street Lights - \$7,519; Animal Control (Humane Society) - \$4,569; Plan Commission and Jacqueline Lake District - \$2,714.

**DONATE OLD GLASSES**: If you no longer need your used glasses or sunglasses, please consider donating them to the Wisconsin Lions Foundation. They can accept prescription eyeglasses (frames with lenses intact and undamaged) non-prescription sunglasses and reading glasses. Lenses without frames are not used, eyeglass cases may or may not be used, but may help avoid damage in transit. There is a Lions receptacle at our town hall. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**TOWN OF SHARON FIRST RESPONDERS**: The Sharon Fiirst Responders are looking for individuals who would be interested in becoming a first responder. If you are interested, please contact Mary Michelkamp at 715-592-4962 for details.

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Mailing Address Line 1
Mailing Address Line 2
Mailing Address Line 3
Mailing Address Line 4
Mailing Address Line 5

#### WHICH "1-1" NUMBER DO I CALL?

- 211- Connecting people to resources: Dial 211 for "free" & confidential crisis & emergency counseling, disaster assistance, food, health care & insurance assistance, stable housing, utilities payment assistance, employment services, veteran services & childcare & family services.
- 411 Directory assistance: When you call an operator to request a telephone number.
- 511– Non-emergency vehicle assistance: Dial 511 and say "Motorist Aid." If you do not have your cell phone, you can use the freeway call box. During "Free Service Patrol" (FSP) service hours, your request for non-emergency assistance will be forwarded to FSP, & a truck will be instructed to assist when it is available.
- 611– Connection with a wireless provider: The number 611 is reserved in the U.S. & Canada for an immediate connection with a wireless provider. The call is free & it is a convenient way to check on a bill or inquire about other wireless services provided by a telephone carrier.
- 711– Telecommunication Relay Service: The number 711 is a relay number for every state in this country. When a TTY (TeleTypewriter) caller or a non TTY user calls the relay number, the operator will dial the number they wish to contact & relay the messages between the two parites, using voice & TTY. (This functionality is specially built to assist deaf & hearing impaired individuals. Today, many smartphones have the ability to connect to TTY devices that allow hearing-impaired people to communicate with others using a TTY device).
- 811– Digging, trenching, drilling or grading: We refer to this as digger's hotline. When planning a project which involves digging, trenching, drilling or grading, state law requires you to call 811 at least 3 days before beginning the project. Your local utility will locate & mark the underground utility lines. When digging, try to stay at least 18 inches away from the marked lines. Hand digging with extreme caution is required within the 18 inch tolerance zone.