

Town of Lawrence – Fall/Winter Newsletter 2023

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Let's work together to keep our
roads safe for everyone



SUPPORT LOCAL!

Our local businesses are the backbone of our community. Make a conscious choice to always support local businesses first, because they are your friends, neighbors, and care about our community just as much as you do. Follow them, like them, and share on social media!



Town Directory

Town Board

Town Chairman

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Town Phone Numbers

EMERGENCY	911
Animal Control	(920) 391-7450
Assessor (Associated Appraisal)	(920) 749-1995
Building Inspection	(920) 347-3715
Fire Non-Emergency	(920) 336-9131
Municipal Court	(920) 869-3801
Police Non- Emergency	(920) 391-7450
Public Works	(920) 660-6695
Town Administrator	(920) 347-3710
Town Clerk/Treasurer	(920) 347-3719
Town Deputy Clerk	(920) 347-3713
Town Hall	(920) 336-9131
Water Utility	(920) 660-6695

Town Information

Address

2400 Shady Court
De Pere, WI 54115

Website

www.lawrencewi.gov

Email

townlaw@lawrencewi.gov

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/TownofLawrenceWI/>



Town Chairperson's Message

Dear Town Resident,

The Town of Lawrence continues to establish itself as an attractive, progressive community in Northeast Wisconsin. We take pride in branding Lawrence as a "Great place to live and work!" Our residential and business growth ranks Lawrence among one of the fastest-growing communities in Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Department of Administration census figures sites Lawrence at a population of 6,834 residents in 2023. This is an increase of 528 residents or an 8.37% change from the 2020 census.

We enjoy many assets that contribute to our growth. Services for youth and families are a strong attraction to our community! The West De Pere and Wrightstown School Districts provide quality pre-K - 12 educational and co-curricular opportunities. We also have a variety of outstanding higher education institutions that are great resources for attracting people to our area. Other assets include strategic location, stable tax base, Interstate Highway 41, sporting, recreational, and fine arts venues, two regional airports, outstanding healthcare, quality protective and maintenance services, an abundance of land for development, and supportive residents who exhibit supportive community pride.



The Town of Lawrence demonstrates great pride in serving our community. As the Town of Lawrence Chairperson, I am proud of our dedicated staff and their efforts in keeping our community safe, well run, and attractive. For example, Quarry Park received considerable improvements to the bleachers, a concrete pad near the pavilion, and scoreboards. Our parks and cemeteries received considerable site improvements including tree trimming, removal, and repairs that make our facilities safe and attractive. Roughly \$350,000 was budgeted to repair and resurface Town roads. Bridges were inspected and repaired when necessary. We are currently planning an expansion of our water and sewer utilities and future water service enhancements when needed. Our staff has done a great job of keeping our community safe and attractive.

Infrastructure improvements are essential to the Town and surrounding communities. The I-41 project which includes new interchanges is scheduled to begin in 2025. For more information on the I-41 project, scan the QR code below.

A significant development is the Lawrence Parkway project located behind the Town Hall. It serves as an area of development for indoor and outdoor recreational facilities including a park, businesses, and residential growth that will attract many people to Lawrence. Town residential growth has been an asset and a financial benefit in Lawrence. In 2023, Lawrence had 4 homes highlighted in the Brown County Fall Showcase of Homes.

We are currently engaged in the update of our Town's Comprehensive Plan. This plan will provide future direction in community development within the Town. The process will be completed in early 2024.

For any questions not addressed in this newsletter or on our website, call the Town Hall at (920) 336-9131. You can also "like" us and follow us on Facebook. Please drive carefully in school zones and where pedestrians and bicyclists are present.

Thank you for your continued community support and best wishes!

Dr. Lanny J. Tibaldo
Town Chairperson



Stay Connected on the I-41 Project



Elections

2024 Election Dates

February 20, 2024 August 13, 2024
April 2, 2024 November 5, 2024

***Visit our website for important election deadlines*

VOTE HERE!

2400 Shady Court, De Pere, WI 54115

Polls open at 7:00am on election day

In-Person Absentee Voting (Early Voting)

Voters can request, receive, mark, and cast their ballot all in 1 visit at the Town Hall.

In Person Early Absentee voting starts 2 weeks prior to the election and ends the Friday before the election.

Please visit our website or follow us on Facebook for dates and times.
www.lawrencewi.gov

3 Easy Ways to Register to Vote



Online

- Visit www.myvote.wi.gov

Walk-In

- Town of Lawrence Town Hall
- 2400 Shady Court, De Pere, WI 54115
- YOU MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF RESIDENCE



Mail-In

- Send Voter Registration Application to Town Hall
- 2400 Shady Court, De Pere, WI 54115
- YOU MUST INCLUDE PROOF OF RESIDENCE



Where is my Polling Location?

Can I Track my Ballot?

Where Can I Update My Name & Address?

How do I Request an Absentee Ballot

What's On My Ballot?

Visit MyVote Wisconsin

<https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/>



Public Works

SNOW PLOW MARKERS

In late fall, the public works department will install plow guidepost markers as they deem necessary. These guidepost markers are used to alert plow drivers of the road's edge, typically in the areas where there is a curve in the road. We ask that you leave these markers where they are installed.

Residents may install additional markers at their own expense but must be plastic or fiberglass. Wooden stakes can be used but must be no bigger than 1 inch in diameter.

The Town is not responsible for any damage to private markers placed in Town Right-of-Way during plowing operations.



Did you know....

A leaking toilet can waste up to 15,000 gallons a month (volume equal to a typical home swimming pool)!

An old or faulty toilet flapper often causes a leaking toilet. Over time, the flapper decays or minerals build up on it. Replacing the toilet flapper is a relatively easy, inexpensive do-it-yourself project.



The Town of Lawrence Public Works Department will be accepting applications for a temporary summer position. Duties may include grass cutting, watering, park maintenance and other general maintenance work. Individuals must be able operate lawn mowers, weed eaters, and other small equipment. Training will be provided. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age at hire date, possess a valid driver's license, and pass a drug screen and background check. Application dates will be announced in the early spring.

ATTENTION: WATER UTILITY CUSTOMERS

The Water Department may need to inform our residents of water emergencies, leaks, or excessive water usage.

Please scan the QR code to fill out the form with your updated contact information.

Any questions, please call the Town Hall at (920) 336-9131



Are you prepared for winter?



1. Protect your Pipes
 - a. Disconnect garden hoses, insulate outdoor pipes and spigots, and insulate crawl space pipes to protect them from breaking.
2. Clear Storm drains
 - a. Safely remove leaves and debris from storm drains to help prevent flooding in your neighborhood.
3. Keep all mechanical exhaust vents clear at all times.
4. Check smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.

Fire Department

Please Shovel Your Fire Hydrants

Winter storms can often hide fire hydrants under snow making them difficult to find in an emergency. In the event of a fire, firefighters must locate and shovel out fire hydrants before hooking up to them. This is precious time lost.

We are asking that you help us by keeping the fire hydrant closest to your residence/business clear of snow. We would need a 3-foot clearance on all sides. Please be aware of vehicle traffic when shoveling snow. Do not stand in the street and be careful not to slip and fall out into the roadway.



Check your Heating System

Early October is the ideal time of year to turn on your heating unit to ensure it is working properly. While furnaces are a leading cause of house fires in the U.S., here are a few things you can do to reduce the risk of furnace fires:

1. Regularly replace furnace filters
2. Keep the area around the furnace clean and unobstructed.
3. Keep the burner area clean and clear of debris.
4. Keep all combustible items at least six (6) inches away from the vent pipe.
5. Never close off more than 20% of heat registers.

If you notice any issues with your heating system, contact a professional immediately.



Service Anniversaries

June

Joe Reinhold-10 years

July

Jason Maus-30 years

September

Brady Schomaker-1 year

October

Luke Pasterski-1 year

December

Elijah Hermann-1 year

Prestin Tennesen-1 year

January

Andrew Thiessen-1 year

Thank you for your continued service to our community!

Cooking safety starts with YOU.

Pay attention to fire prevention.™

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK™ Oct. 8-14, 2023



Fire won't wait.

Plan your escape at fpw.org.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK™

Police Department



Trick or Treating Safety Tips

- Always stay in groups, walk on the sidewalks, and be aware of your surroundings.
- Use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and trick or treat bags to make sure you are visible to drivers.
- Carry a flashlight or glow stick to light your way.
- Only visit houses with porch lights on.
- Never enter a stranger's home.
- Inspect all treats before eating them to ensure they are safe.



WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS

November 1 through March 31

All-night parking prohibited. No person shall park a vehicle on any street or road within the Town between 2:00am and 6:00am

Per Ordinance §275-3 Parking Restrictions

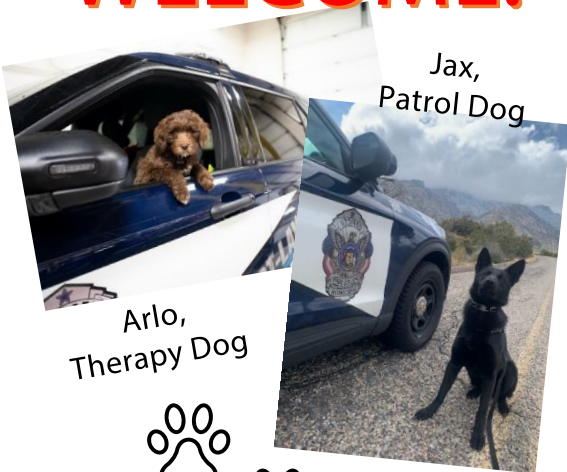
Autism Awareness Program



The Hobart Lawrence Police Department has created Autism Awareness Cards to aid those with autism, as well as officers as they interact with each other during calls for service. The cards contain basic information and tips for officers to read when encountering someone on the Autism spectrum.

These cards are available from any officer, Town of Lawrence Town Hall, or Village of Hobart office.

WELCOME!



Jax,
Patrol Dog

Arlo,
Therapy Dog



920-432-STOP (7867)
www.432stop.com
You can remain anonymous
and may be eligible for a cash reward

Texting Tips: Text "GBTIP" plus your message to 274637 (CRIMES)

October 28, 2023
8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Hobart Village Hall
2990 S. Pine Tree Road

Building Inspection

Ask the Inspector



Q. What are setbacks and where do I find the setback for my property?

A. A setback is the minimum horizontal distance between a property line and a building or structure.

Scan the QR code for more setback information



A. Building permits are required for most projects except for purely cosmetic projects such as flooring or painting. Some common projects are decks, pools, cement patios, remodeling/renovations, garages/sheds, fences, HVAC, driveways, electrical, or plumbing.

If you have additional questions, please call the building inspection department at 920-347-3715

Q. Do I need to get a permit?

Q. How do I find my property lines?

A. Maps and aerial photos are available on Brown County's website that may be useful to residents who wish to attempt to locate their own property stakes. Ultimately, the best and most accurate way to identify your property lines are to hire a licensed land surveyor. Surveyors are licensed by the State of Wisconsin

Scan QR Code for Brown County GIS Map



A. Failure to obtain a permit before construction could result in fines/penalties for the owner or contractor.

Work performed without a permit can be unsafe, no matter how good it looks. You'll be required to obtain permits for the work, and it must pass inspection, or you will need to return the structure or site to its original condition.

Q. What if I don't get a permit?

Clerk's Corner

DOG LICENSE...IT'S THE LAW!

All dogs over five (5) months old are required to be licensed. A total of no more than 2 dogs are allowed on property zoned residential.

Licenses can be obtained from the Town Hall at
2400 Shady Court, De Pere, WI

License Fees are as follows:

Male or Female: \$10.00

Spayed/Neutered: \$5.00

Late Fee (Effective April 1st): \$5.00

Cash, check, and credit card payments accepted*

*(*Convenience fees applied with credit card payments)*



\$\$\$ Lottery Tax Credit \$\$\$

❖ If you owned your home on January 1, 2023, and use it as your primary residence, you are eligible to receive a lottery and gaming credit.



Check your tax bill. If the credit is not on your bill, please visit Brown County's website at: www.browncountywi.gov or scan the QR code.

SHORT-TERM RENTAL ORDINANCE

AS THE TOWN PURSUES POTENTIAL FUTURE HOTEL DEVELOPMENT AND WITH THE DEMAND FOR SHORT TERM RENTALS RISING, TOWN STAFF AND OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING THE CREATION OF ROOM TAX AND SHORT-TERM RENTAL USE ORDINANCES. THESE ARE EXPECTED TO GO INTO EFFECT FOR 2024.

THE TOWN OF LAWRENCE IS CONSIDERING THE ABILITY TO PERMIT THE TEMPORARY RENTAL USE OF SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS ALLOWING FOR ACCOMODATIONS IN INCREASED TRAVEL AND TOURISM IN THE AREA. THIS CAN ALLOW PROPERTY OWNERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO EARN REVENUE FROM SUCH OCCUPANCY, WHILE ENSURING THAT SUCH USES ARE OPERATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE TOWN REGULATIONS.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES ON THIS PERMIT AND ORDINANCE.



UPCOMING DATES

OCTOBER

- 31: Trick or Treating
 - 4:00pm-7:00pm

NOVEMBER

- 23: Town Hall Closed
- 24: Town Hall Closed

DECEMBER

- 1: Dog license available for 2024
- 25: Town Hall Closed
- 26: Town Hall Closed

JANUARY

- 1: Town Hall Closed
- 31: 1st Property Tax Installment Due

FEBRUARY

- 6: In Person Absentee Voting Begins (see page 4 for details)
- 20: Spring Primary Election

MARCH

- 31: Dog licensing deadline

Credit card payments NOW AVAILABLE!

To make a payment, you must call or visit the Town Hall. Online credit card payments are not available currently.

Credit card payments are not available for water utility payments.

A convenience fee of 2.75% (min. \$2.00) will apply to each transaction.



2024 Spring Showcase Of Homes

For more information visit: <https://bchba.org/consumer-events/>

TOWN OF LAWRENCE BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

11:00am – 4:00pm

Lawrence Town Hall
2400 Shady Court
De Pere, WI 54115



Visit www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive
to sign up for an appointment today!

TOWN MEETINGS

Town Board Meetings

- ❖ 2nd and 4th Monday of each month
- ❖ 6:30pm
- ❖ Located at the Lawrence Town Hall

Planning and Zoning Board Meeting

- ❖ 2nd Wednesday of each month
- ❖ 6:00pm
- ❖ Located at the Lawrence Town Hall

PUBLIC IS WELCOME!

Planning a meeting, party, family gathering?

THE TOWN OF LAWRENCE IS PLEASED TO OFFER RENTAL OPPORTUNITIES AT THE TOWN HALL COMMUNITY ROOM AND QUARRY PARK!

TOWN HALL COMMUNITY ROOM

- YEAR-ROUND RENTAL
- WARMING KITCHEN

QUARRY PARK SHELTER

- RENTAL AVAILABLE
MAY 1 – NOVEMBER 1

FOR AVAILABILITY, PLEASE CALL THE TOWN HALL AT
(920) 336-9131

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE
WWW.LAWRENCEWI.GOV



QUARRY PARK PICKLEBALL COURTS

COMING SOON!

Can you solve these riddles?

1. How many seconds are in a year?
2. What has four wheels and flies?
3. It's the only place in the world where today comes before yesterday. Where is it?

2024 Town of Lawrence Garbage & Recycling Schedule

January						
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	Garbage & Recycling Collection Day
	Garbage ONLY Collection Day

Bins must be placed curbside no earlier than 6:00pm on the evening before collection, and no later than 6:00am on collection day.



❌ Holidays (No Collection)

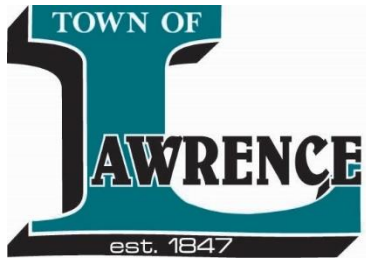
New Years Day - Monday, 01/01/2024
Collection will be delayed by one day

Memorial Day - Monday, 5/27/2024
Collection will be delayed by one day

Labor Day - Monday, 09/02/2024
Collection will be delayed by one day



Questions, please call Town Hall (920) 336-9131



1st Town in Brown County

2400 Shady Court
De Pere, WI 54115