



# TOWN OF NEW DENMARK NEWSLETTER

August 2017

## Upcoming Meeting/Event Dates

- 9/11 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 9/12 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm
- 10/09 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 10/10 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm
- 11/13 Board Meeting, 7 pm
- 11/14 Plan Commission Mtg, 7 pm
- 12/11 Board Meeting, 7 pm

\* *No Fall Elections are scheduled*

## **Deadline for Agenda Items**

Anyone wishing to place an item on the Town Board Agenda will need to contact Chairman Krueger by the first Monday of the month with that request. Chairman Krueger will make the final determination as to whether a specific item will be placed on the agenda.

## **Curative Connections**

**Expansion of Rural Transportation Services to residents in Brown County**  
Curative Connections Transportation Service is now providing rides to those over the age of 60 and/or the disabled in our community. Curative Connections will provide a door to door service Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Qualified clients can use the service to go to medical, nutritional, employment, and social appointments. All rides are scheduled on a first come/first served basis and will depend on volunteer availability. For more information on how the Transportation Service works, please call our office at (920) 227-4272 Monday – Friday 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



### **Volunteer Drivers needed for Rural Transportation Expansion:**

Curative Connections – Making a Difference in the Lives of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities is now offering transportation services to community members over the age of 60 and/or the disabled. To offer this service, Curative Connections is looking for volunteer to provide these rides. If interested, please contact Tina Whetung at (920) 227-4273 or email her at [twhetung@curativeconnections.org](mailto:twhetung@curativeconnections.org). You can find more information on the Town website for those interested in volunteering.

### **Notary Public Service Free of Charge:**

As a reminder to the residents of New Denmark, I will provide free notary public services at my residence, the Town Hall or if you are restricted to your home, I will come to your residence to notarize documents. Please call (863-5523) or email me if you are in need of this service.

Michelle Wallerius, Clerk / Treasurer

# HOME COMPOSTING MATERIALS



## COMPOST



### COMPOST TIP

Chopping or shredding these items helps speed up the composting process.

For best results, composters can mix in 2 to 3 volumes of "brown" material with each volume of "green" material.

### Carbon-Rich "Browns"

#### Brown leaves & yard waste

- Brush & twigs (1/2" in diameter or less)
- Cardboard (dry and clean)
- Egg cartons (shredded)
- Newspaper
- Nuts & nut shells (but not black walnuts)
- Paper towels
- Pine cones & pine needles
- Sawdust & shavings (from non-treated wood)
- Straw & hay
- Wood chips

### Nitrogen-Rich "Greens"

#### Green leaves & yard waste

- Coffee beans, grounds & used filters
- Dirt & potting soil
- Egg shells
- Flowers & yard plants
- Fruit, including cores & rinds
- Grass clippings
- Gourds & pumpkins
- Melons and melon rinds
- Tea leaves & tea bags
- Vegetables, greens & legumes



## NOT FOR COMPOST



### Not for Home Composting

- Biodegradable forks, spoons & knives
- Branches or logs more than 6" in diameter
- Charcoal briquettes or briquette ash
- Cigar & cigarette ashes
- Coffee or beverage cups
- Diapers
- Dairy products (butter, milk, cheese, etc.)
- Invasive weeds and plants
- Meat (cooked or raw) & bones
- Oils, greases & fats (including snack chips)
- Pet food
- Pet or human waste
- Pizza boxes with grease or cheese on them
- Recyclables (glass, plastic, metal cans, etc.)
- Sawdust from treated wood
- Trash (wrappers, packaging, etc.)
- Used take-out containers & Styrofoam shells
- Wood treated with varnish or paint

For more, visit [dnr.wi.gov](http://dnr.wi.gov) & search "compost," or consult other DNR publications, **Home Composting: Reap A Heap of Benefits & Home Composting: The Basic Composter.**



**Town Board Actions:** The following are **only highlights** of actions and discussions at the monthly Town Board meetings. For detailed Minutes, please visit [www.townofnewdenmark.com](http://www.townofnewdenmark.com).

April 2017	May 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*K. Janssen provides report from Brown Cty Plan Com Bd Mtg. G. Taicher inquires if County discussed plans to address Phragmites grass. F. Wiltman questions status of grass cutting and dips in roadways where culvert replacement was done.</li> <li>* Motion to approve 2018 Brown Cty Hwy Maintenance Agreement for 2018 for sign repair &amp; bridge inspection.</li> <li>*Informational Permits: ND-289 for demo and replacement of accessory building. MC 5670 Ronk Rd for culvert replacement. ND-643 R.Kane Lane for detached garage. MC</li> <li>*Open book scheduled for 5/10/2017 from 6-8 pm</li> <li>*Noise ordinance-Engine Braking. Town to adopt ordinance in order for County to erect signs on County Highway. Atty. Sickel to draft ordinance for Plan Commission's review and referral back to Bd.</li> <li>* Request from T. Leslie at Brown Cty to clarify name of North Avenue Road. Discrepancy with Cty records and Village. Public hearing to be schedule with proposed resolution.</li> <li>*R. Kane Lane 75% complete. Residents in attendance raise concerns over height and condition of new road bed. Bielinski working on areas of concern to compact soft spots. Bd to work with landowners on culvert placement.</li> <li>* Excess gravel to be removed from cul-du-sac at Cedar Lane.</li> <li>*Umentum Ln off Cty Hwy R to be brushed out by Town of Cooperstown.</li> <li>*Weight limits to remain on Town roads, gravel roads to be graded at later date when road conditions improve.</li> <li>*Ditch cleaning and culvert installation for K. Vandenhouten. Working with Bielinski and DNR on permits and what options Town has if deemed part of natural waterway.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K. Janssen provides monthly report from Br Cty Plan Com Bd.</li> <li>*Informational Permits: ND-1-1 for removal &amp; construction of Ag building on unimproved parcel. MC ND-91 demo of existing building. ND-460-8-1 Cty Hwy T for mini storage unit MC ND-423 North Ave for accessory building. Property owner to quick claim additional ft to meet setbacks w/in 30 days.</li> <li>*Bd of Review 5/10/2017 from 6-8 pm. Equalized value to drop 1% to 98%. Sales remain strong in New Denmark.</li> <li>*Chairman Krueger working with DNR on obtaining permits for dry hydrant off Park Road bridge.</li> <li>*Motions by residents from Annual Meeting reviewed and donations to be made at payment of bills.</li> <li>*Review of grass cutting bids for right-of-ways: Grumpy's total bid \$23,935 w/ fuel. RS Grains, LLC \$16.50 an hour with Town tractor. MC to accept RS Grains bid with Town tractor for 2017.</li> <li>*J. Kropp retained to complete survey of land acquisition for Cooperstown &amp; Wanek bridge project. Appraisal cost: \$1,500.</li> <li>* R. Kane Lane to be completed by June 1. Breaker run and gravel to be added and culverts installed. Scott constructions cleaned right-of-ways on Cedar Lane. Bid notices to be published for June meeting for road improvement projects.</li> <li>*Atty. Sickel working on sex offender ordinance. Newsletter gave notice to in-home daycares to notify Town representative so they can be included in restricted areas of proposed map.</li> <li>*Brown Cty advises the Town's 10 yr Comprehensive Plan to be updated. Previous plan adopted in 2007.</li> <li>*Resident request for trees trimmed on Langes Rd, Bd, tabled.</li> <li>*Curative Workshop looking for volunteer drivers for rural transportation program.</li> </ul>
June 2017	July 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* K. Janssen provides report from Brown Cty. Plan Com Bd Mtg.</li> <li>* A. Rabenhorst states R. Kane Lane still a washboard &amp; short on gravel. Culvert too small to access fields.</li> <li>* M. Calewarts inquires about Frontier Road railroad crossing. Atty. Sickel to send ltr railroad or Bd can adopt Resolution for repair.</li> <li>* Informational Permits: ND-485 Pepper Rd accessory building. Existing home does not conform w/ setbacks, but new structure conforms. MC, ND-753 Cty Rd R for garage. MC, ND-721 Cty Rd R for ag building. No setbacks noted, but approved w/ review by Inspector. MC, ND-713-1 Cooperstown Rd for Ag building. Side yd setbacks overlaps 2 parcels. Motion to approve w/ setback approval by inspector. ND-323-1 Town Hall Rd for swimming pool. Approved w/ setbacks reviewed by Inspector.</li> <li>* Class B Beer &amp; Liquor licenses &amp; operator permits approved for Twin Oaks, The Market, Duck Creek Winery, Circle Tap, LLC, Basils II and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Bar and Bowl. Cigarette license approved for I. Sterletske. MC</li> <li>* M. Calewarts &amp; S. Olsen (2 yrs), K. Janssen, B. Krueger, M. Trepanier (1 yr) and alternates F. Rabas and D. Rosik re-appointed to Plan Commission. MC</li> <li>* J. Wavrunek, J. Watzka, R. Guillianni appointed to 1 year terms for the Variance Committee. MC</li> <li>* Scott Construction awarded bid #2 for Fenwick Ln, Peterson Ln \$18,985 and bid #3 for resurfacing Wanek for \$89,818. MC</li> <li>*Peterson Lane culvert to be cleaned &amp; will monitor water flow. Center lines to be re-painted on Rosecrans &amp; Pine Grove Rd.</li> <li>*Bd requests property condition report for ND-471.</li> <li>* Engine braking ordinance to be revisited in 60-90 days, if needed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Resolution 2017-01 to clarify official name of North Avenue. MC</li> <li>* Informational Permits: ND-146 Cty Hwy R for storage building. Zoned B-1; MC ND-521 Irish Road to re-define parcel to 35.4 acres &amp; existing farmstead to remain with 4 acres. CSM to be recorded with Brown County ND-756-2 for trucking facility and compressed gas building for Big Ox Energy. MC</li> <li>* Review of 2016 Final audit from Hawkins Ash and filing of CT.</li> <li>* Bid accepted for \$2,318 for culvert removal at Steves Cheese Road from Bielinski Excavating. MC</li> <li>* Resident to submit bill for mailbox damage from grass cutting. Chairman Krueger met with Bielinski on R. Kane. Request for additional gravel or re-ground blacktop. Culvert moved to end of cul-du-sac and 10ft added.</li> <li>*Potholes addressed on Cooperstown Rd, Damsel Ct &amp; Rosecrans.</li> <li>*Atty. Sickel in contact with Regional Track Manager for repair to railroad crossing at Frontier Rd. If Town moves forward with repair, suggestion to submit photos for review.</li> <li>* Atty. Sickel working w/ Brown County on drawing map for restricted sex offender areas.</li> <li>* Atty. Sickel spoke with property owner of ND-471. Owner not receptive to improvements; Town to move forward with Raze Order for August meeting.</li> <li>* Letters received on appraisals of property needed for bridge projects at Wanek &amp; Cooperstown. Payments to property owners requested.</li> <li>* Review of Bielinski invoice for R. Kane Lane. Bd approves partial payment &amp; will hold balance until completion of project.</li> </ul>

### Town Board Members

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*The goal of this newsletter is to promote resident awareness and involvement in town government and community affairs.*

*If you have any criticisms, comments, requests or suggestions, please contact Michelle Wallerius at 863-5523 or at [michwallerius@gmail.com](mailto:michwallerius@gmail.com)*

The Town Board meets at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. Residents are invited to attend these public meetings and may place items on the agenda by calling the Town Chairman.

Notice of hearings and agendas are posted at the Town Hall, Denmark State Bank and BMO Harris.

The Plan Commission will meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. as agenda items arise. The Variance Committee will meet as zoning issues arises. Notice of hearings will be posted & published in The Denmark News.

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