



Town of Spider Lake

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Townofspiderlake.org

Town Meeting 2nd
Wednesday of each
month 7 p.m.

Plan and Review
Commission 1st
Wednesday of each
month 6 p.m.

Fire Dept meeting 1st
Thursday of each month
7 p.m.

Brian Hucker—Town Chairman and Plan and Review Commissioner 715-462-3783

2014 presented a lot of challenges to our community. This last year was not just a time to talk about weather. It was a time when we all experienced it, and it was loaded with challenges! What impressed me most was how so many of us (the volunteer Fire Department in particular) stepped forward and helped others in the town and helped in surrounding communities who were hit even worse than we were. Whether it was helping people who went off the road on the ice or helping to clear debris from the storms, property owners and visitors alike stepped forward to help keep our roads open and the community functioning with limited interruption. While the last year was a wet-

ter than normal year, we have to remain vigilant about the potential for wild fires as it can get dry here quickly. To that end, we will be applying for grants and hope to be able to sponsor some “brush drop off days” when the town will accept brush that will be chipped and available for mulch for gardens and paths. This may also include selective removal of dead or diseased trees along town right of way. We need to improve on making the town a “firewise” community to protect the watershed as well as your property. The Fire Department is there to help with “firewise” assessments.

The challenges did not stop there. Towns such as ours

which have significant National Forest acreage were informed that going forward we will lose the National Forest Acreage payment which is being redirected to support schools. Proposed increases in payments in lieu of taxes (PLIT) so far remain unfunded. This means that the town is projected to lose approximately \$30,000 to \$35,000 per year in revenue (approximately 8.5% of current revenue, not counting the tax levy) going forward.

Best wishes for the holiday season and may we find 2015 to be a great year for all. Thanks for what you do to make this a better community.

Christine Ferda – Town Clerk 715-794-2132 townofspiderlake@centurytel.net,

The spring elections will be held on February 17, 2015 (if a primary is necessary) and April 7, 2015.

Town offices that will be included in this election are Town Chair, Two supervisors, Town Clerk and Treasurer. Also a Court of Appeals Judge and a Circuit Court Judge will be elected. Absentee ballot

requests and any other correspondence should be sent to me at
5345 W State Hwy 77,
Clam Lake, WI 54517.

*Have a Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year!*

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Butch Meyer—Insurance & Finance 715-462-4638

With income down and insurance up we have a very tight year ahead. Hopefully everyone will have a safe year so we'll get a substantial dividend. *Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Butch*

Mike McGuiness—Road Committee Chair 715-462-3853

2014 has kept our road crew very busy. The 2013/2014 winter season produced record snowfall and temperatures. After cleaning up the debris left from winter, the crew started on the summer projects

which included culvert replacement/repair, grading and patch work. Fall brought more storms including a major snowstorm in early November. Clean up from these storms is still in progress.



Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Mike



A reminder to property owners to have their fuel tanks topped off and their holding tank pumped (if necessary) before the road bans go into effect next spring.

John Cerman—Health and Safety

I am glad to announce that the 30 year old fire truck was recently sold. A fire district in Oklahoma purchased the truck for \$4000.00 more than our next highest offer. The Shore Land Grant continues to benefit the community. This grant for \$12,500.00 has allowed us to update our current ordinances and be compatible with changes in State and County regulations. The Ghost Lake dam is in excellent condition because of volunteer help from the owners of Boulder Lodge, Thank you for your service.

Wishing all my Town of Spider Lake neighbors a Happy and Prosperous Holiday Season. Jack

Quick Reminder

To everyone who has garbage pick up, please remove the blue trash cans from the edge of the road way after pick up. It is difficult to plow around them and creates a hazard for drivers in the area. Thank you.

George Brandt—Solid Waste and Recycling 715-462-3772

The Solid Waste and Recycling site is open 10 AM to 4 PM Saturday only in the winter and Sat., Sun. and Wed. in the summer (May 15 to October 15). The cost is \$3.50 per bag (up to 33 gallons) for household waste. There is no charge for recyclables. Please check our website (townofspiderlake.org) for the latest recycling information. To help control costs, please crush all recyclable items if possible. *George*

Dolores Brandt—Spider Lake Volunteer Fire Department

Happy Holidays to All. We would like to thank all of you for your donation of aluminum cans. We received \$1000.00 for the cans. The Fire Department received the DNR grant again this year. We will be getting more fire prevention material, clothing and fire equipment. We also applied for a Kwik Trip grant. We have had a few fire calls plus mutual aid with other fire departments in need of man power. We are looking to put up a storage shed near the town hall. We need to get the gator from station 2 to station 1. We would like to thank you for generous donations at picnic time. We need new recruits to join the department.

Please contact me, *Dolores Brandt, Fire Chief 715-462-3772*





Town of Spider Lake
Sawyer County Wisconsin

Kathy Overman—Treasurer kovermantosl@centurytel.net

I will be keeping office hours again this year, please remember that they will start in January. If you would like to pay before the end of the year in person please give me a call at the town hall 715-462-3977 and leave a message. Monday 9 am to 1 pm and Saturday 9 am to 1 pm.

To check the status of your property taxes or print a copy of your statement or receipt please go to the county website www.sawyercountygov.org click on the land records portal.

If you are in need of a Dog license I have included the form below. Please remember I need to see the rabies vaccination certificate to confirm the vaccination. You can send a copy if you would like. Include a stamped self addressed envelope to receive your Sawyer County dog license. If you are staying in Spider Lake for at least 30 days in the year it is important to get a license, it will help to get your pet returned to you if something would happen.

I look forward to seeing everyone who stops by and Wish Everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Kathy

Application for Dog License Town of Spider Lake

Dog Owner Complete This Form Date _____

Owner Name _____ Phone (local/cell) _____

Owner Address (local) _____

Dog Name _____ Sex Male—neutered \$8.00 non neutered \$15.00
Female-spayed \$8.00 non spayed \$15.00

Breed _____ Color _____ Age _____

Rabies Vaccination Date _____ Date Due _____

Vaccine Manufacturer _____ Serial# _____

Veterinarian _____

**S.S. 174.07 REQUIRES PROOF OF RABIES VACCINATION AN ANNUAL DOG
License is Required Due by march 31**