

THE VILLAGE NEWS

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BOARD MEETINGS

Next Board Meeting September 20th, 2017

Village Board Meetings are typically held the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month, starting at 7pm at the Village Hall.

Meetings are open to the public. For current agendas see the posting locations: Elk Mound Village Hall, Elk Mound Post Office & Independence State Bank, as well as www.elkmound.org and click on board / committee agendas.

PROPER DISPOSAL OF SHARPS

For the protection of the public, the environment and waste handlers, discarded syringes and other sharps must be disposed of in a safe manner.

These items should not be disposed of as regular garbage or flushed into the sewer system.

In Dunn County, you can obtain free sharps containers for your syringes and/or diabetic supplies at the Dunn County Transfer Station and Recycling Center.

For more information on sharps containers or disposals please contact the Dunn County Solid Waste Division at 715-232-4017 or visit their website at <http://www.co.dunn.wi.us/swr>

FALL HYDRANT FLUSHING

Fall hydrant flushing will take place October 9th to the 13th.

Low pressure and discolor water may occur. If you experience any of these issues, please contact the Public Works Department at 715-879-5805.

NOTICE REGARDING SNOWMOBILE ATV / UTV ROUTES

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LEAD FREE WATER METER REPLACEMENTS

If you have not had your water meter changed to a lead-free meter, please contact the Public Works Department to set an appointment.
 Phone 715-879-5805

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Elk Mound Police Department is currently taking applications for a full time (40 hour week) Chief of Police position.

To obtain the full recruitment notice and application instructions please visit www.elkmound.org and select the employment tab.

WARNING SIREN

When severe weather occurs, you will hear a steady tone for three minutes. Upon early warning, volunteers will attempt to set the Warning Siren to a STEADY TONE. This warning is to inform you to seek information from TV or RADIO. For residents that do not have adequate shelter, the Lutheran Church, 207 University Street, has offered the use of the church basement. Every effort will be made to get the rear (south) doors opened on alarm. **YOU SHOULD MAKE ALTERNATE PLANS IN THE EVENT THE CHURCH IS NOT OPEN!!**

Having a plan in place will minimize confusion when time is of the essence. Preplanning to bring flashlights, possibly a blanket, as well as making other arrangements for pets will make for quick access to shelter. (Please do not bring pets to the Church).

This plan will be in effect immediately and until further notice.

“Weather Alert” radios are available for purchase at local electronics or major department stores. These units can be used in addition to the local warning siren for early severe storm alerts.

According to Dunn County Emergency Management, the siren is intended to alert people outdoors that severe weather conditions are nearby. The sounding of these sirens is your cue to access local detailed weather information from radio or television and discover if there is an need to take further action. More information can be found on their site: www.dunn.wi.co.us, click on Departments, Emergency Management & Outdoor Warning Sirens.

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Dunn County Communications Center is responsible for testing the emergency siren system. The Emergency Warning Siren is tested the first Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. from April through October.

Standard emergency warning siren electro-mechanical tones are as follows:

- ALERT— Steady Tone, 3 minutes
- ATTACK— Wailing Tone, 6 sec. Hi/6 sec. Low, 3 min
- FIRE— Wailing Tone, 16 sec. Hi/8 Sec. Low, 4 Cycles
- GROWL— Short Burst, 2 Sec. Used for testing of siren only.

DUNN COUNTY’S CODE RED

Dunn County has a mass notification system available to all residents of Dunn County. The system is known as Code Red and can provide residents with voice, text and email notifications of emergencies and other information that may affect their area.

The Code Red system is activated by the Dunn County 911 Center and Emergency Management Office. Residents with a traditional land line telephone are already in the system. For residents with wireless telephones, you must self register with the system to receive messages. Self register online at www.co.dunn.wi.us.

COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL INFORMATION

The community center room is available for small groups and parties up to 48 people.

Check the calendar of availability on the website at www.elkmound.org/content/calendar. The community center will show in green. Karate America is currently holding classes Tuesday and Friday afternoons / evenings.

Rental rates are as follows:

- \$25.00 up to 2 hours or 15 guests
- \$50.00 up to 4 hours or 15 guests
- \$75.00 up to 6 hours or 25 guests
- \$100.00 up to 8 hours or 45 guests

A discounted rate of \$15.00 will be available for senior citizen events not to exceed two hours.

Confirmation of your event date will be made after receipt of rental fees. Please contact the Village Hall at 715-879-5011 or email info@elkmound.org to reserve your date.

Please understand you are renting the community center portion only. As this building is combined with the Library, there may be other activity at the Library during their open hours.

Facility provides restrooms, tables and seating up to 45 people, garbage and recycling receptacles, TV with hookups for presentations. Kitchen facilities include refrigerator, sink and counter area and electrical outlets.

For a complete rental policy, check the attachment under www.elkmound.org under the community center / library tab.

Elk Mound Community Library Hours

Monday: 10am-4pm
 Tuesday: 10am-12pm, 12:30pm-6pm
 Wednesday: 10am to 4pm
 Thursday: 12pm-12:30pm, 3:00pm-7pm
 Friday: 10am-1pm



Streetlight Outage

If you notice a street light that is not functioning properly, please call the Public Works Department at 715-879-5805 with the following information:

1. Location of Street Light (Nearest Address)
2. Nearest Cross Street
3. Issue (Blinking Light, Light Not Operating, etc.)

Dunn County Recycle Center Hours of Operation

Wednesdays: 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 April 1st to October 31st
 Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 All Year Long

For further information, please call the Dunn County Solid Waste Division at
 715-232-4017



BOARD MINUTES JULY 19, 2017

The July 19, 2017 meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elk Mound was called to order by Greg Kipp, President Pro-tem at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Patricia Hahn, Clerk-Treasurer, verified that proper notice of the meeting had been posted.

Roll call showed Montana Boettcher, Deb Creaser-Kipp, Greg Kipp, Tony Schrantz and Terry Stamm present. Steve Abraham and Rebecca Livingston absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Creaser-Kipp/Schrantz moved and seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of June 21, and July 5, 2017 as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE:

There were no public appearances.

CITIZEN'S FORUM – (PUBLIC INPUT)

Jon Chisholm, Director of the Elk Mound Youth Baseball presented an update on the summer program. Mr. Chisholm thanked the Village Board, Public Works Department, and Clerk/Treasurer's office for the facilities and support. In addition, he presented a check in the amount of \$765.00 for the out of town youth signed up for the season.

APPROVAL OF GENERAL FUND, WATER/SEWER UTILITY AND DIRECT DEPOSIT PAYROLL CHECKS

Creaser-Kipp/Boettcher moved and seconded a motion to approve the Combined Checks 29055- 29097 and direct deposit V1835-V1855 for a total of \$34,465.66. Motion carried. Stamm abstained.

APPROVAL OF TID VOUCHERS

There were no TID vouchers.

PERMITS – BUILDING; WATER/SEWER APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE/TAP PERMITS

Jerry Johnson, 103 Lincoln St: Reroof; Patricia Hahn, N505 Holly Avenue: Potting shed. Stamm/Creaser Kipp to moved and seconded a motion to move item 15B up on the agenda at this time. Motion carried.

Act on Extraterritorial Certified Survey Map Application, Applicant: Jackson McMahan, Owner Paul McMahan

Stamm/Schrantz moved and seconded a motion to approve the Extraterritorial Certified Survey Map for Applicant Jackson McMahan and owner Paul McMahan. Motion carried.

REPORTS BY OFFICIALS:

Water/Sewer Report

The Water/Sewer Report was presented by Mark Levra, Director of Public Works. The report is on file in the Public Works office.

Director of Public Work's Report

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POLICE CHIEFS REPORT

Mike Tietz, Police Chief presented the Police Chief's Report. In addition Mike reported that enforcement is increasing regarding the extra vehicles on properties. He is starting with public awareness of this problem.

Standing Committee Reports:

Public Works & Streets

Terry Stamm reported that the Public Works & Street's Committee did not meet.

Public Safety

Deb Creaser-Kipp reported that the Public Safety Committee did not meet

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BOARD MINUTES JULY 19TH CONTINUED

Property & Finance

The Property and Finance Committee did not meet.

Employee Relations

Greg Kipp reported that the Employee Relations Committee did not meet.

Special Committee Reports

Plan Commission

Terry Stamm reported that the Plan Commission met tonight and items are further down on the agenda.

Stamm/Kipp moved and seconded a motion to move up item 15a on the agenda at this time. Motion carried.

Act on Petition for Zoning Change R-1 to R-2- Timothy Riley, 104 Taylor Street Lots 12 & 13

Stamm/Kipp moved and seconded a motion to approve the Petition for Zoning Change from Timothy Riley from R-1 to R-2 for lots 12 & 13, 104 Taylor Street. Motion carried

Report from Fire Board Representative

Terry Stamm Fire Board Representative reported:

There were Seven Runs this past month.

Vehicle repair is over \$10,000 already in 2017, more than likely more to come.

Future air bottle replacement in next five years. Potential bill in excess of \$30,000.

Les Schafer, Fire Chief will interview 2 prospective new firemen candidates.

New roof on the Fire Department building final cost \$50,073 installed.

Report from Dunn County Solid Waste Recycling Board Representative

Terry Stamm, Representative reported:

Mike Larson was added to the staff as a Resource Recovery Specialist.

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The purchase of the 20 acre parcel for future expansion by the Transfer Station is complete.

It was agreed that the Dunn County Solid Waste and Recycling Department would fund implementation of the Countywide Recycling Blue Print.

Board worked on the finalization of the 2018 Budget.

Morgan made certain staff adjustments as part of the 2018 Budget.

The decision was made to trade in the old boiler and get bids for a new one. Estimated cost installed: \$280,000.

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Colfax Rescue Squad Monthly Report: Don Knutson

Colfax Rescue Notes:

- Worked with Dunn County Emergency Management to use Code Red for all hazard alert for the Village.
- M-8 is scheduled for an oil change, fuel filters at Interstate Automotive. Followed by a tire rotation and alignment at All Season Tire on July 10, 2017.
- June Training was Run review and QA with a review of triage.
- Lynn, the Village Administrator, attended our squad meeting and thanked everyone for what they do. Years of service certificates and service pins were presented to the EMT's of Colfax Rescue.
- Milestone awards were presented to Roger Knutson 25 years of service and Jerry Loftus 20 years of service to Colfax Rescue Squad.
- Reminded Colfax Rescue Staff of the tabletop disaster drill being held in Colfax on July 25th at Colfax High School.
- Hired three new EMT's Chris Kile EMT from Menomonie, Michelle Madson Paramedic from Eau Claire, and Nick Lueddecke EMT from Eau Claire., Also have two more interviews scheduled. We are hiring people to get up to speed because later this year our current fire/medic staff will be leaving as they complete their degrees.
- Jake Kriener has left us to take a position in Colorado as a Paramedic
- July is here, and I will start work on the 2018 budget and annual report.
- August 30, 2017, at 19:00 is the tentative date for Colfax Rescue Annual Meeting.
- We could staff an ambulance for the Village of Wheeler Parade July 2nd.
- We will try to have an ambulance at the Sand Creek Firemen's Picnic July 16, 2017.
- We are scheduled for 21 football games this fall between Colfax and Elk Mound Schools.
- Don attended the Dunn County Fire Chiefs meeting in June.

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**BOARD MINUTES
JULY 19TH, CONTINUED**

Community Center/Library Report

Terry Stamm reported that the Community Center / Library Committee did not meet.

COMMUNICATIONS & MISCELLANIOUS BUSINESS AS PERMITTED BY LAW

Mike Tietz reported that the Eau Claire swat team is doing training at the high school building next week.

Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business as permitted by law.

New Business:

The new business was moved up on the agenda.

Discussion/Action Repair Cost of 5525 John Deere Loader

Stamm/Creaser-Kipp moved and seconded a motion to install a new clutch in the 5525 John Deere Loader, from Value Implement in the amount of \$4000.00. Motion carried.

Discussion/Action Street Use Permit for "Old Fashion Street Dance" – Elk Mound Area Lions Club

Terry Stamm reported that the Street Dance was moved to the Pourhouse property. The event will be from 4pm. to 11pm. August 12, 2017.

Adjourn

Schranz/Creaser-Kipp moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm. Motion carried.

Patricia Hahn
Clerk/Treasurer, WCMC, CMC, CMTW

BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 2, 2017

The August 2, 2017 meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Elk Mound was called to order by Steve Abraham, Village President at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Patricia Hahn, Clerk-Treasurer, verified that proper notice of the meeting had been posted.

Roll call showed Steve Abraham, Deb Creaser-Kipp, Gregg Kipp, Rebecca Livingston, Tony Schrantz, and Terry Stamm present. Montana Boettcher absent.

Public Appearance

Dennis Smith, Dunn County Sheriff spoke to the board regarding the open Police position. He emphasized taking time to find a good person to fill the Police Chief position and to do an evaluation every 30 days for 6 months.

Citizen's Forum - (Public Input)

There was no one signed up for Citizen's Forum.

Stamm/Kipp moved and seconded a motion to move up 8b on the agenda at this time. Motion carried.

Dunn County Humane Society 2017-2018 Contract Amendment

Livingston/Schranz moved and seconded a motion to approve the proposed change to the Dunn County Humane Society contract that clarifies and officially accounts for rabies quarantine cases, outlining what occurs and who is responsible for as indicated in the letter from Josh Dalton, Dunn County Humane Society Executive Director. Motion carried.

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Community Food Pantry is located at Shepherd of the Hill Lutheran Church 207 University Street (Entrance from the Parking Lot). Open every Tuesday from 4-6pm and Friday from 10am to Noon. For questions call 715-879-5115.

BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 2, 2017 CONTINUED

Communications & Miscellaneous Business as Permitted by Law

Mike Tietz presented to 2 documents to the Board. 1. His recommendation for the next step in hiring a new police chief. (2) A copy of a letter to property owners relating to storage of vehicles and junk.

Steve Abraham reported that he spoke with Dustin Binder, from the Dunn County Highway Department. There will be a double yellow line on South Holly Avenue from the overpass South to the Village Park. Other areas he would like to consider are South Holly Avenue all the way to HWY 12 as there is a 25 MPH speed limit there. He would also like flashing LED lights to be considered at North and South Holly Avenue, Mound Park Drive HWY 12 intersections.

Terry Stamm reported that the Elk Mound Lions Club and The Pourhouse are hosting a backyard bash at The Pourhouse as a Lions Fund Raiser to be held August 12 from 5pm to 11pm.

Unfinished Business: Discussion/Possible Action - Business Cards for Board Members

Cara Dempski, reporter presented pricing from the Glenwood City Tribune office and Steve Abraham is checking pricing from his source. This item will be considered again at a future meeting.

New Business: Action – Operator License Applications: Joel Michaelson and Syndria Frion – The Pourhouse

Stamm/Creaser-Kipp moved and seconded a motion to approve the Operator License applications for Joel Michaelson and Syndria Frion. Motion carried.

Adjourn

Schranz/Kipp moved and seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Patricia Hahn

Clerk/Treasurer, WCMC, CMC, CMTW

BACK TO SCHOOL TRAFFIC SAFETY

School is now back in session. Here are some reminders from the National Center for Safe Routes to School:

Parents and caregivers who drive in neighborhoods near schools can play an important role in enhancing safety by following safe driving practices. At arrival and dismissal times, drivers are often in a hurry and distracted which can lead to unsafe conditions for students and others who are walking, bicycling and driving in the area.

Drivers should always:

- Slow down and obey all traffic laws and speed limits, both in school zones and in neighborhoods surrounding the school.
- Comply with local school drop off and pick-up procedures for the safety of all children accessing the school.
- Avoid double parking or stopping on crosswalks to let children out of the car.
- Prepare to stop for a school bus when overhead yellow lights are flashing. Drive with caution when you see yellow hazard warning lights are flashing on a moving or stopped bus.
- Stop for a school bus with its red overhead lights flashing, regardless of the direction from which the driver is approaching. Drivers must not proceed until the school bus resumes motion and the red lights stop flashing, or until signaled by the school bus driver to proceed.
- Watch for children walking or bicycling on the sidewalk (or street) in areas near a school.
- Watch for children arriving late for the bus who may dart into the street without looking for traffic.

More information can be found at
www.saferoutesinfo.org.

Dunn County Hazardous Waste Collection Event

The Dunn County Solid Waste & Recycling Division is once again hosting it's Hazardous Waste Collection Event. Please save your hazardous materials for their fall collection event, scheduled for Wednesday, September 13th and Thursday, September 14th, 2017.

Wednesday, September 13th, 2017

4:00pm to 6:00pm for VSQG Businesses, Farms, and Households

Location: Colfax Fairgrounds, 831 E Railroad Ave, Colfax, WI

Thursday, September 14th, 2017

2:00pm to 3:00pm for VSQG Businesses

3:00pm to 4:00pm for Farms

4:00pm to 7:00pm for Households

Location: The Dunn County Transfer Station, E3900 Hwy 29, Menomonie, WI

Examples of waste items collected are chemicals from garage or workshop, household chemicals labeled as toxic, corrosive, flammable, etc. For a full list of hazardous materials, visit the Dunn County Solid Waste & Recycling Division webpage at co.dunn.wi.us/hazardouswaste.

Notice Regarding Snowmobile / ATV / UTV Routes

As of September 7, 2017 there are NO designated Snowmobile or ATV/UTV Routes within the Village. The previously existing 2010 route (map) has been rescinded.

For updates on these routes, please visit www.elkmound.org under the "Area Maps" link for changes as they are made.

BUILDING PERMITS

If you have a building project this summer, please contact the Village Hall to see if a building permit is required, phone 715-879-5011.

In addition to new construction, some other items requiring a permit are decks, driveways, fences, HVAC, electric circuits & panels, retaining walls, siding, roofing, signs, swimming pools, water heater or furnace replacement. For a full listing of items requiring a permit, see our website www.elkmound.org, code of ordinances 15-1-2.

Call diggers hotline at 1-800-242-8511 if your project involves any type of digging. Permit records are kept on properties since 1980 at the Village Hall offices.

PAPERLESS UTILITY BILLING

If you are interested in receiving your monthly utility bill via email (instead of a postcard in the mail) please stop by the Village Hall to complete a short form, or download the form from www.elkmound.org

Click on water/sewer utility and paperless utility billing.

ORDINANCE REMINDER

Section 8-1-6 of the Village Ordinances was adopted due to the unique nature of the problems associated with lawns, grasses, and noxious weeds being allowed to grow to excessive length in the Village of Elk Mound. Except as provided in Section 8-1-5, the owner or occupant of any lot or parcel in the Village which is three (3) acres or less in area shall install and maintain landscaping, plantings and other decorative surface treatments, including turf grass, so as to present an attractive appearance in all yard areas in accordance with generally accepted landscaping practices in Wisconsin.


Lawns shall be maintained to a height not to exceed eight (8) inches. Plantings shall be maintained so as not to present hazards to adjoining properties or to persons or vehicles traveling on public ways and shall be maintained so as to enhance the appearance and value of the property on which located and thereby the appearance and value of the neighborhood and the Village or Elk Mound.

This is just the initial paragraph of section 8-1-6. For a complete set of ordinances on long grass, please visit www.elkmound.org under the code of ordinances tab.

Village Offices will be closed on
Monday, September 7th
in recognition of Labor Day

New 2017-2018 Official Wisconsin State Highway Maps are available at the Village Hall. Ask for a map at the clerk's office.

October 2017

S U N	M O N	T U E	W E D	T H U	F R I	S A T
1	2 Library Open 10am-4pm	3 Library 10am-6pm Food Pantry 4pm-6pm	4 7pm Village Board Solid Waste Site Hours 9am to 7pm	5 Library Open 12pm-7pm	6 Library 10am-1pm Food Pantry 10-noon Village Office Closed	7 Solid Waste Site Hours 8am - 4pm
8	9 Library Open 10am-4pm	10 Library 10am-6pm Food Pantry 4pm-6pm	11 7pm Fire Board Solid Waste Site Hours 9am to 7pm Library 10am-4 pm	12 Library Open 12pm-7pm	13 Library 10am-1pm Food Pantry 10-noon Village Office Closed	14 Solid Waste Site Hours 8am - 4pm
15	16 Library Open 10am-4pm	17 Library 10am-6pm Food Pantry 4pm-6pm	18 7pm Village Board Solid Waste Site Hours 9am to 7pm Library 10am-4 pm	19 Library Open 12pm-7pm	20 Library 10am-1pm Food Pantry 10-noon Village Office Closed	21 Solid Waste Site Hours 8am to 4pm
22	23 Library Open 10am-4pm	24 Library 10am-6pm Food Pantry 4pm-6pm	25 Solid Waste Site Hours 9am to 7pm Library 10am-4pm	26 Library Open 12pm-7pm	27 Library 10am-1pm Food Pantry 10-noon Village Office Closed	28 Solid Waste Site Hours 8am to 4pm
29	30 Library Open 10am-4pm	31 Halloween Trick or Treating 5-7pm Library 10am-6pm Food Pantry 4pm-6pm			Village Office Hours: 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday-Thursday	

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