

### Farmington Town Hall Newsletter

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#### **Farmington Town News:**

Town Board meetings are held every third Monday @ 6:30pm at the Town Hall located at the corner of State Road 54 and County Road Q. Agendas are posted in the Waupaca County Post, on our website www.farmingtonwi.com and at the town hall.

TUESDAY, April 15, 2025 - Annual Town meeting of Electors...at 6:30pm.

Agenda items are the audit and financial report along with any other business that may legally come before the Board. A regular Town Board meeting will follow.

Changes at the Town Hall:

New Town Clerk: Anjela Hamm working M-F, and new hours 8am to 12 noon.

Kathy Kasza will remain as Town Treasurer, working Tuesdays and Thursdays.

#### 2025 Election News:

January 20,2025 – Town Caucus: Caroline Murphy will not be running for Town Chair; Up for re-election are Craig Nelson, Supervisor I and Phil Durrant for Supervisor II – Election takes place April 1, 2025. at spring general election

February 18,2025 – spring primary (if necessary)

ATC, owner/operator of regional electric grid, will do work in the road right-of-way from Hartman Creek Substation to the Harrison Substation in the city of Waupaca beginning fall of 2024.

The Town currently oversees three cemeteries: **Barton, Salem and Sheridan.** Sites are available for purchase at \$500.00 which includes Perpetual Care. Anyone interested can contact the Cemetery Secretary, Kathy Kasza at the Town Hall (715-258-2779). You can also go on our website <a href="https://www.farmingtonwaup.gov">www.farmingtonwaup.gov</a> to view the Town updated Cemetery Ordinance with Rules and Regulations.

Taxes will be mailed out mid-December. PAID to Waupaca County Treasurer and mailed to 811 Harding St Waupaca, WI 54981

Dog licenses are available after January 1, 2025.

Please bring along proof of rabies vaccination (M/F- \$10; N/S - \$5.00) PAID AT TOWN HALL

Town E-Recycling Day will be held on TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2025., 8am-12 noon THANK YOU.

Snowmobile News: The Town Board approved the Scandinavia Vikings and County Line Trail Blazers snowmobile clubs request to run trails in the Town road right-of-way. Best to check with the clubs and Waupaca Cty Park & Rec Dept. to learn if trails are open. Contact information:

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Tim Dwyer (Scandinavia) 920-858-8583 Craig Nelson (Trail Blazers) 715-281-9051 Cty Park & Rec – 715-258-6243

#### **Sumer Road Work:**

King Rd was reconstructed. Thank you to all residents for their consideration and patience during their travels.

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The Town Board passed an ordinance designating those roads as class "B" which means they have restricted weight limits placed on them, exempting only vehicles that have pick-ups and deliveries. This will eliminate heavier vehicles from using it as a shortcut.

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Road Weight Limits will be placed on all of our roads at the same time that the Waupaca County Highway Commissioner establish theirs. (Usually sometime in March) Permits requested by vendors are available ay the Town Hall by contacting the Town Clerk at 715-258-2779, coming to the Town Hall during regular hours of M-F 8am to 12 noon, and on our website www. farmingtonwaup.gov

#### From the Chair.....by Caroline G. Murphy

As I leave the office of Chair and Supervisor after 16 years on the Town Board,, and this being my last newsletter, I want to say:

**T** hank you for giving me the opportunity to serve and help you, as residents of the Town of Farmington, by always considering your health, welfare and safety.

**H** oping that the future will provide continued growth and improvement within the township.

**A** llowing cooperation with other municipalities, governmental units, and organizations has helped Farmington prosper.

**N** ewsletters have been my way of letting you know what is or will happen within the township, including appreciative articles from Waupaca County Departments, DNR, other governmental organizations and Town Clerk.

**K** nowing that I always considered your communications, suggestions and visits helpful in my decision-making.

**Y** ou and your involvement are the basis by which Farmington can continue to move forward.

**O** rdinances and resolutions were enacted to provide direction for the benefit of the entire township.

**U** nderstand that, from my perspective, Farmington is the best township in Waupaca County.

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#### REMINDERS.....for the future

- ATV/UTV Travel Routes are approved for all Town roads. GOLF CARTS ARE NOT ALLOWED, only <u>licensed</u> ATVs/UTVs, following State of Wisconsin regulations.
- Be considerate of Chain Skiers practice and enjoy their shows.
- "Slow-No-Wake" after 2 pm for any lake firework set-up
- Watch speed limits throughout the township, especially during bicycle and pedestrian seasons
- Wisconsin Burning Permits (including special permits) are required January 1st thru May 31st to conduct legal and responsible burning in the outdoors when the ground is not completely snow-covered. Annual burning permits are valid for the entire year, but require daily authorization. They are issued to a person, not to a specific address and are non-transferable. Permits can be obtained by calling 1-888-WIS-BURN (1-888-947-2876) from 7am to 10pm, online (dnr.wi.gov) search keywords "burn permit" or "burning restrictions". Residential burning is restricted to pine needles, grass, brush, unpainted/untreated wood, and confidential papers apply all year. Campfires for warming or cooking do not require a burning permit and are allowed anytime except during Emergency Burning Restrictions notice. Burn barrels are unhealthy, un-neighborly, unnecessary, unsafe and illegal.

#### Looking Ahead.....

**Garbage /Recycling** increase \$19.85/month + fuel surcharge for next 2025 tax bill – estimate will be \$227.40

#### Hazards & Disasters.....Eric Halverson, Waupaca County Emergency Management

#### Planning for Hazards:

Waupaca County is not immune to natural and man-made hazards. We work together with out community partners to identify hazards and the risks associated with them. We regularly complete Hazard Vulnerability Assessments (HVAs) to identify changes from year -to-year in threats and hazards that affect our communities.

The HVAs tabulate the hazard type, how likely it is to occur and who or what it will impact. Each hazard is then given a preparedness score. This helps to determine future preparedness activities for each community.

#### **Hazard Mitigation**

Waupaca County maintains a Countywide Hazard Mitigation Plan that aligns with and supports both County and local hazard mitigation activities. Developed in collaboration with Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM), and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the maintenance and update of this plan helps to make our county safer and more resilient.

As the Waupaca County Hazard Mitigation Plan is being updated, we gather information from each of the local communities to be dure that individual needs are included in the plan updates.

#### Reduce Your Risk

While it is important for you to protect yourself and your families from emergencies, it is also important to protect your property. Here are some of the steps you can take:

- Get insurance. Review your renters or homeowner's insurance policy to understand what
  is covered from hazards. For example, protection against loss due to floods is typically not
  covered under a homeowner's policy. Too many people think flooding only happens
  somewhere else or to someone else. It's always been true that anywhere it can rain, it
  can flood. But "never before" and previously rare weather events are becoming increasing
  common and severe.
- Hire a professional. Hire a licensed Registered Architect or Professional Engineer to check
  the condition of your property. These professionals also can determine the best option for
  retrofitting to your home, which means altering the existing structure to reduce or
  eliminate the possibility of damage.
- Clean your property, including your roof, crawlspaces, vents, decks/patios, and gutters, and dispose of any debris that could become projectiles during a storm. Tip: if severe weather is expected in your area, tie down any loose items, such as outdoor furniture, that may become projectiles.
- Make sure that access to your property can allow emergency responders to quickly get to you in an emergency, Make sure your driveway is clear and has adequate space to turn around. Keep this in mind when clearing snow in the winter months.
- Keep trees and bushes away from your house. This reduces the risk of roof damage, improves airflow to reduce mold, mildew and rot, and allows a buffer zone from fire fuels. It also helps to eliminate hiding places for intruders.
- Be sure your landscaping provides for proper drainage away from your foundation. Provide for extensions on downspouts as necessary. Clean your gutters regularly.

The dollars that are spent on prevention and mitigation can save thousands of dollars in damages. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF FARMINGTON, WAUPACA COUNTY, WISCONSIN YEAR 2025 PROPOSED BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, November 18th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall of Farmington, a PUBLIC HEARING on the PROPOSED 2025 BUDGET of the Town of Farmington in Waupaca County will be held. The proposed budget in detail is available for inspection at the Town Clerk's Office from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The following is a summary of the proposed 2025 budget.

				2024		20245	%
_				<u>Budget</u>		<u>Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>
	EVENUE						
TAXES			\$	769,935	\$		
INTERGOVERNMENTAL				449,090		419,41	19 (6.61%)
LICENSES & PERMITS				31,265		32,95	55 5.41%
FINES, FORFEITURES & PENALTIES				100	100		0.00%
PUBLIC CHARGES FOR SERVICES				398,335 405,120		20 1.70%	
INTERGOVERNMENTAL CHA	ARGES			1,050		-0-	(100.00%)
MISCELLANEOUS				52,000		73,00	00 40.38%
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			579,143		-0-		(100.00%)
TOTAL REVENUE			\$2,280,928		\$1,709,171		<b>/1</b> (25.07%)
EXPE	NDITURES						
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			\$	228,032	\$	195,6	(14.22%)
PUBLIC SAFETY				215,651		211,5	20 (1.92%)
PUBLIC WORKS				717,785		941,4	31.16%
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICE	S			13,200		13,7	700 3.79% ·
CULTURE, RECREATION & EDUCATION				69,900		69,9	0.00%
CONVSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT				38,000		39,2	3.16%
CAPITAL OUTLAY				973,350		-0-	(100.00%)
OTHER FINANCING USES				25,000		25,0	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			\$	2,280,928	\$	1,496,3	337 (34.40%)
TOTAL REVENUES OVER(UNDER) EXPENDITURES			\$	-	\$	212,8	34
	Fund Balance January 1	Total Revenues	Total Expenditures	Fund Balance December 31	Ta	perty ex bution	Equalized Tax Rate
All Governmental Funds	January 1	nevellues	rybellattales	31	COMU	DULIUII	nate
Combined	833,404	1,709,171	1,496,337	1,046,238	706,	577	\$0.770371

Following this Public Hearing on the 2025 Proposed Budget we will hold the Special Meeting of Electors to adopt the town tax levy followed by the Town Monthly Board Meeting.

Given under my hand and official seal at the Town Hall of Farmington in Wisconsin this 25th day of October 2024.

s/Kathy Kasza, Clerk-Treasurer

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#### Town of Farmington Definitions:

#### **REVENUE:**

#### Taxes

- -taxes collected on real and personal property
- -local share of all forest crop tax collections per the settlement with the County
- -room tax

#### Intergovernmental

- -checks received from the sate for shared revenue
- -state fire insurance tax received for fire dues
- -general transportation aid (GTA) for roads expenditures by town
- -payment for municipal services from the state to municipalities with state facilities to compensate for services
  - -PILT conservation aids in lieu of taxes on state conservation lands
  - -forest cropland/manages forest land payment from the state

#### **Licenses and Permits**

-business & occupational before operating with town - ex. Liquor, cigarette, dance

#### Fines, Forfeitures & Penalties

-law & ordinance violations - parking

#### **Public Charges for Services**

- -general government clerk, treasurer, attorney
- -fire protection fees
- -highway maintenance and construction
- -street lighting
- -curbside refuse and recycling
- -cemetery lot sale and maintenance

#### Miscellaneous

-interest income on invested funds, hall rentals, insurance recoveries on landfill

#### **EXPENDITURES**;

#### General government

- -legislative salaries, FICA, newsletter/brochures, publications
- -legal attorney fees
- -general administration clerk and treasurer salary, memberships, workshops, office supplies, election costs
  - -financial administration assessor consultant

#### **Public Safety**

- -law enforcement buoy maintenance
- -fire protection/ambulance contract dues, signage

#### **Public Works**

- -highway maintenance snowplowing, construction, repair, tree trim, mowing
- -street lights
- -recycling Waupaca Recycling Center, Waupaca County PTF, curbside refuse and recycling

#### Health & Human Services

- -Waupaca Humane Society
- -cemetery

#### Culture, Recreation & Education

-Waupaca Recreation Center - Senior Center, Youth Programs, Chamber fireworks

#### **Capital Outlay**

-election equipment, town hall, roads for major reconstruct, cemetery

Dear Town Chair Murphy -

While serving as the Waupaca County Highway Commissioner, my family and I have been fortunate to be residents in the Town of Farmington for over 7 years now. The need to find transportation dollars to improve roads not only within Farmington but also among all municipalities and Towns is constant and at all levels of government. The first mile of road for farmers and businesses to get their product to market starts at our local level.

Having attended my first, Transportation Development Association meeting in Madison, these government agencies at all these levels in Wisconsin are pushing to bring as much money to Wisconsin for roads and bridges... but there is only so much to go around. As our County Highway Commission and local, state and federal leaders advocate for federal dollars to come our way, we slowly are starting to see those dollars arrive in Farmington. With your application for road improvement on King Road being only a vision many years ago, it was rewarding to see this vision come to fruition... it happened! Congratulations on that accomplishment and let's hope the improvement to King Road serves those residents and those who pass through it for many years.

It has been a pleasure serving with you at the local Waupaca County/Town level.

Respectfully,

Casey H. Beyersdorf

Waupaca County Highway Commissioner

# It's 'GO TIME' For Oak Work

Now Through March Is The Ideal Time To Work On Or Near Oak Trees Without Spreading Oak Wilt

### By Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Have your town crews been itching to do some work involving oak trees?

Well, the time has arrived for smart and safe work on oaks.

It's important for crews and managers to know that any damage done to oak trees from April 1 through at least mid-July could lead to a quick death for that tree — and, frequently, a slower death for neighboring oaks.

That's a problem for towns that are proud of the mature, high-value oak trees that line their parks, trails and roadways. It's also a problem

for town crews, who face the time, expense and hazard of removing the dead trees.

The source of the problem is oak wilt, a deadly fungal disease that is spread — often very quickly — by beetles that carry fungal spores and are attracted to freshly wounded oak trees.

"It's a serious disease," said Kyoko Scanlon, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) forest pathologist. "Trees in the red oak group (most commonly northern red, northern pin and black oak) are very

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#### Oak Wilt Facts

- The disease: Oak wilt, a deadly fungal disease.
- The target: Trees in the red oak group are hardest hit; trees in the white oak group can also be infected.
- The cause: From April through mid-July, wounding branches or trunks of oak trees could quickly lead to infection.
- The source: Beetles carrying oak wilt spores seek out fresh wounds on oak trees and spread infection. The disease also spreads between trees' interconnected roots.
- The approach: Avoid wounding oaks from April through July (or later). Any wounds should be immediately covered with latex tree wound paint.
- More info:
  Visit the
  DNR's
  oak wilt
  webpage
  using this
  OR code.



### It's 'Go Time' For Work On Oak Trees

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susceptible and show the worst symptoms. Trees will lose most of their leaves and die within as little as a month of showing symptoms."

Oak wilt also causes decline and often mortality for bur oak and swamp white oak trees, though mortality could take years. Some trees in the white oak family can survive oak wilt, though decline will often be noticeable. For all oak trees, infection can spread through the trees' interconnected root systems to eventually kill neighboring trees.

All this trouble from a native-to-Wisconsin beetle smelling a fresh wound on an oak tree - whether caused on purpose, by accident, by people or through a naturally occurring event. Workers can even cause damage without knowing it if a flail or chop mower happens to contact a roadside oak.

About one year after infected trees die, fungal mats full of spores develop under the bark. Beetles are attracted to these areas; as they feed, fungal spores hitch a ride on their bodies.

Then, when beetles sense a nearby tree has suffered a wound, their attention quickly shifts as they buzz



If an oak tree is pruned, cut or otherwise damaged between April and mid-July, intentionally or not, it is best to carry latex tree wound paint in order to cover the wound immediately. / Photo Credit: Wisconsin DNR



Fallen leaves from a tree infected with oak wilt show a dull green and bronze coloration and will appear water-soaked but partially green. Trees in the red oak family that are infected with oak wilt will die during late summer or early fall of the same year that they are infected. / Photo Credit: Wisconsin DNR.

over to the wounded tree, infecting it with the hitchhiking fungal spores.

It doesn't take long for beetles to flock to a damaged oak.

"It can take only 10-15 minutes after a pruning wound," Scanlon said. "A fresh wound is susceptible to infection for up to 72 hours before it dries out."

The wound doesn't have to be big.

"It could even be as small as spike wounds from the spikes arborists wear on their shoes while climbing a tree," said Scanlon.

The fungus grows through the tree's water-conducting system, leading to the telltale "wilt" look, characterized by discolored, green-and-brown leaves. The leaves fall prematurely and the tree doesn't recover.

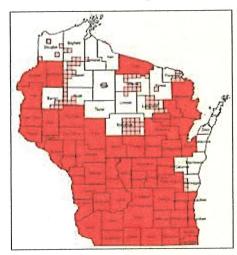
The most significant danger period for oak wilt infection is determined by that year's weather conditions but generally runs from April 1 through mid or late July. However, some trees can remain susceptible throughout the entire summer. Some towns and municipalities have created ordinances that ban work on oak trees from April through September.

If a tree is damaged during the "danger period," fast-acting crews can prevent oak wilt infection. Crews are urged to carry a supply of fungicidal

tree-wound paint on their work vehicles so they can stop and cover a wound the instant it is made.

But after the first frost of the fall/ winter, the risk of infection drops dramatically. This time of year, crews can safely do their planned oak work.

"In most cases, winter is the best time for pruning oak trees, anyway," shared Scanlon. "After the leaves fall, it's easier to see the branches that need work and ensure nothing is missed."



Oak wilt is generally established in counties tinted red in this map, which shows current statistics. Townships tinted pink are those where oak wilt has been confirmed in counties where the disease is rare. Oak wilt has not been found in untinted areas. / Map Credit: Wisconsin DNR

#### Solid Waste & Recycling Program Updates - 2024

Provided by Allison Birr, Recycling Coordinator

www.waupacacountyrecycling.com 715-258-6254



- Waupaca Regional Recycling & Composting Center (WRRCC) WINTER HOURS. Starting December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 WRRCC will be implementing winter hours. The Center will be OPEN their usual hours on Monday from 2pm-6pm, Saturday from 8am-12pm, and will be CLOSED FRIDAY. They will resume Friday hours, 8am-12pm beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- PTF Winter Hours. During the months of December, January, and February the Waupaca County PTF hours will be Monday-Friday 7am-3pm and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday from 7am -11am. Starting in March the PTF will go back to being open every Saturday from 7am-11am.
- Recycle More & Pay Less for Garbage! Check out the popular Waupaca Regional Recycling Center's Pay-as-You-Throw garbage disposal program. The less garbage you have (by recycling your paper, cans, plastic bottles & containers and glass bottles), the less you pay to get rid of that garbage! Great for the environment and great for your pocketbook! Stop in during hours of operation (Mon 12-6, Fri 7-4 (April-November), Sat 7-3). The Center is located just off of Hwy 10 on Lakeside Parkway next to the Waupaca Cemetery.
- TVs, Computers, VCRS, DVRs, DVD Players, Printers, Scanners, etc. are required by State Law to be recycled and are accepted at the Waupaca County PTF. Cost: \$0.25 per pound for residential electronics; \$0.30 per pound for business electronics.
- What Do I Do With...? Head to <a href="https://www.waupacacountyrecycling.com">www.waupacacountyrecycling.com</a> and click on the "What Do I Do With" tab to find answers on how to properly dispose of items that are commonly asked about. If you don't see something that you are looking for you can always give us a call at 715-258-6240.

#### • Green Tips for the Holiday Season!

- o If you plan on having a Christmas tree, real trees are a better alternative to artificial. Purchase from a local lot and recycle them responsibly. Trees can be brought to the Waupaca Recycling Center free of charge. \*They will not accept wreaths.
- For holiday décor, try making your own. You can string popcorn, used dried fruit, dried pinecones, and more.
- Bring broken Christmas lights to Waupaca County Courthouse or PTF to be recycled for free December through January.
- o Wrapping paper is garbage.
- Gift tags can be made out of last year's holiday cards.
- Use gift-wrap alternatives such as old posters, maps, sheet music, newspaper, or give a present inside of a present (reusable shopping bag, scarf, blanket, basket, etc.).

#### THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING!

#### **Understanding VA Death Benefits**

#### **VA DEATH BENEFITS**

Like most things in life, dealing with the death of a loved one is best handled by the prepared. It is a topic no one wants to talk about, but everyone will have to work through at some point. Being prepared and arming your loved ones with your final wishes, rather than leaving them to sort it out in the wake of your passing, is the responsible handoff of a life well lived. In order to receive benefits applicants must meet eligibility requirements, provide necessary evidence, and make application. Benefits include Burial Flags, Burial Reimbursement (partial), Survivor Pension, Dependency and Indemnity Compensation, Presidential Memorial Certificate, Grave Marker, Accrued Benefits, Funeral Honors (State / VSO), War Period Flag Holder (CVSO), and other survivor benefits. Since every situation is unique, our office can assist in linking you with the appropriate benefits.

**Note:** To determine your eligibility, check eBenefits, contact VA Eligibility Center at 1-888-768-2132, or contact our office at 715-258-6475.

#### WHOS ELLIGIBLE? - Here are two common benefits, other benefits are available

#### **Burial Benefits**

- ·You paid for a Veteran's burial or funeral, AND
- •You have not been reimbursed by another government agency or some other source, such as the deceased Veteran's employer, AND
- •The Veteran was discharged under conditions other than dishonorable, AND
- •The Veteran died because of a service-related disability, OR
- •The Veteran was receiving VA pension or compensation at the time of death, OR
- •The Veteran was entitled to receive VA pension or compensation, but decided not to reduce his/her military retirement or disability pay, OR
- •The Veteran died while hospitalized by VA, or while receiving care under VA contract at a non-VA facility, OR
- •The Veteran died while traveling under proper authorization and at VA expense to or from a specified place for the purpose of examination, treatment, or care, OR
- •The Veteran had an original or reopened claim pending at the time of death and has been found entitled to compensation or pension from a date prior to the date or death, OR
- •The Veteran died on or after October 9, 1996, while a patient at a VA-approved state nursing home.

#### **Survivor Pension**

The deceased Veteran must have met the following service requirements:

- •For service on or before September 7, 1980, the Veteran must have served at least 90 days of active military service, with at least one day during a war time period.
- •If he or she entered active duty after September 7, 1980, generally he or she must have served at least 24 months or the full period for which called or ordered to active duty with at least one day during a war time period.
- •Was discharged from service under other than dishonorable conditions.

Survivors Pension is also based on your yearly family income, which must be less than the amount set by Congress to qualify.

While an un-remarried spouse is eligible at any age, a child of a deceased wartime Veteran must be:

- •Under 18, OR
- •Under age 23 if attending a VA-approved school, OR
- •Permanently incapable of self-support due to a disability before age 18

Your yearly family income must be less than the amount set by Congress to qualify for the Survivors Pension benefit. Learn more about income and net worth limitation, and see an example of how VA calculates the Survivors Pension benefit.

Understanding these and other VA Benefits can seem daunting, but the Waupaca County Veterans Service Office can help. If you could use a little help navigating the VA Benefit system, please schedule an appointment today!

Mr. Jesse P. Cuff, MPA
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715-258-6475

https://www.facebook.com/WaupacaCVSO/

Hours: Monday - Friday 8a-4p

For more information:

https://www.benefits.va.gov/BENEFITS/docs/VASurvivorsKit.pdf



# WAUPACA COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING OFFICE

811 Harding Street Waupaca, WI 54981 Phone: (715) 258-6255 Fax: (715) 258-6212

Are you considering an improvement to your property? That's great! Please remember that the Town of Farmington works cooperatively with the Waupaca County Planning and Zoning Office for the issuance of land use permits and building permits. The placement, construction, reconstruction, structural alteration or addition to a building or structure, or the change in the use of a property may require a land use permit. Please take the time to contact the Planning and Zoning Office well in advance of your project.

A land use permit is required prior to the start of all projects involving structures, including, but not limited to:

- Sheds
- Carports
- Decks
- Patios

- Additions
- Dwellings
- Placing impervious surfaces in shoreland areas.

A land use permit, conditional use permit, or zone change may be required for, but not limited to:

- A change in the use of the property
- The placement of a recreational vehicle on a property for more than thirty days in a calendar year
- Animal husbandry in nonfarm situations
- Establishment of a Contractor Shop
- Home Businesses

Proposals involving the use of the property may be more involved and can take time to obtain the necessary approvals.

Waupaca County contracts with General Engineering Company (GEC) for the issuance and inspection of building permits. GEC has an online application program that can be used for applying for building permits that can be found on the Planning and Zoning Website at <a href="https://www.waupacacounty-wi.gov/departments/planning\_and\_zoning/index.php">https://www.waupacacounty-wi.gov/departments/planning\_and\_zoning/index.php</a>

If projects are started prior to obtaining approval, the permit fees are doubled and the possibility exists that any structures placed or constructed without permits may need to be moved or removed from the property at the owner's expense.

The Planning and Zoning Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. You can stop in or call (715-258-6255) and speak to one of their knowledgeable staff to get you pointed in the right direction. Applications and other information can be obtained through the Planning and Zoning Office webpage found at: <a href="http://www.co.waupaca.wi.us/departments/planning\_and\_zoning/index.php">http://www.co.waupaca.wi.us/departments/planning\_and\_zoning/index.php</a>.

Division of Transportation System Development North Central Region 1681 Second Avenue South Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495 Governor Tony Evers Secretary Craig Thompson

wisconsindot.gov Phone: (715) 421-8302 FAX: (715) 423-0334

Email: ncr.dtsd@dot.wi.gov



May 16, 2024

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is currently developing plans to improve US 10 in the westbound direction from the Anderson Road to Appletree Lane in Waupaca County, Project ID 1510-01-31(61). Construction is currently scheduled for 2026.

The purpose of the project is to repair deteriorated pavement and resurface the asphalt shoulders and complete minor structure work to extend the roadway service life.

#### Proposed improvements Include:

- Repair failing joints and concrete pavement.
- Replace existing paved shoulders
- Culvert and inlet repairs as needed
- Add shoulder aggregate as needed.
- · Bring guardrail up to current standards.
- Install new pavement markings and shoulder rumble strips.
- Replace existing curb ramps at WIS 49 and WIS 22 ramp terminals
- Wing wall replacements on both the east bound and west bound structures over Wis 54.
- Concrete approach slab replacement and repairs as needed.

#### **Traffic impacts**

During construction US 10 westbound traffic will be reduced to one lane where work is being completed. The US 10 westbound ramps at Wis 54/49, WIS 22 (Lakeside Parkway) and Churchill Street will also be closed during one of the construction stages to allow for work to be completed. US 10 eastbound ramps at WIS 54/49 and WIS 22 will also be closed during one of the construction stages. Single lane closures on eastbound US 10 will also be needed on the bridge over WIS 49/54 to allow for wing wall replacement work to be completed. Motorists can expect some delays to occur, but delays will be managed thru limiting contractor operations at critical times.

#### **Real Estate**

There are no right of way impacts anticipated with the project.

#### **Businesses**

If you own a business that may be affected by construction on US 10, please visit the department's website for tools and resources that can help make your business a continued success during the project's construction. http://wisconsindot.gov/together

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Sincerely,

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Project ID: 1510-01-31(61)

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Project ID: 6290-05-31 US 10 Portage Co. Line to Anderson Road Waupaca County

May 9, 2024

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is currently developing plans to improve US 10 in the eastbound and westbound directions from the Portage County Line to Anderson Road in Waupaca County. Construction is currently scheduled for 2027 but could occur as early as 2026.

The purpose of the project is to is to repair deteriorated pavement and resurface the asphalt shoulders to extend the roadway service life.

#### Proposed improvements Include:

- Repair failing joints and concrete pavement.
- Mill and overlay the asphalt shoulders, intersections and median crossovers
- Add shoulder aggregate as needed.
- Bring guardrail up to current standards.
- Install new pavement markings and shoulder rumble strips.

#### **Traffic impacts**

During construction, US 10 will be reduced to one lane of traffic in each direction where work is taking place.

#### **Real Estate**

There are no right of way impacts anticipated with the project.

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