

Farmington Town Hall Newsletter

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Spring-Summer 2018

Farmington Town Highlights:\

- ✓ Town Board meetings are held every third Monday @ 7:00pm at the Town Hall located at the corner of State Road 54 and County Road Q.
- ✓ TUESDAY April 17, 2018...Annual Town meeting of Electors.....7:00pm

Agenda items are the audit and financial report along with any other business that may legally come before the Board

The Town currently oversees three cemeteries: Barton, Salem and Sheridan. Sites are available for purchase at \$300.00 which includes Perpetual Care. Anyone interested can contact the Cemetery Secretary, Danielle Taggart at the Town Hall (715-258-2779).

Open Book / Board of Review:

Each year residents are given the opportunity to meet at the Town Hall with the assessor during Open Book to discuss their current property assessments. If you choose after that meeting to appear before the Board of Review to contest your assessment, you will need to submit the necessary objection form in advance and receive an assigned appearance time from the Town Clerk. The burden of proof lies with the property holder to provide their case for change in assessment. Open Book and Board of Review are held at the Town Hall. Specific dates published in Waupaca County Post and on the Town website, www.farmington-waupaca.com

Operator licenses for bartenders are valid July 1st thru June 30th of the following year and renewable for \$20.00 Any person not already holding a license in the Town of Farmington will need to have proof of completion of the Responsible Beverage Service Course when making application. Please contact Danielle Taggart at 7150-258-2779 or stop at the Town Hall

Mark Your Calendar: APRIL 21, 2018

FREE electronic drop-off at the Town Hall from **8:00am to noon.** Electronics include, TV's, computers, monitors, laptops, netbooks, tablets, keyboards/mice, scanners, printers, fax machines, DVD players, VCR's, DVR's, USB's flash drives, external hard drives.



Gardener Gift....... The "Home Composter" will be on display and available for purchase starting May 1st at the Waupaca County Solid Waste Dept, 811 Harding St, Waupaca and at the Waupaca County PTF. Bin capacity is 13cu. Ft. and comes with a locking lid, dual access doors and a "How To" handbook. Cost \$55.00 includes tax.

Fire Numbers are provided for your protection. They are required by law. If a post has been loosened, or damaged, contact Town Hall at 715-258-2779. Residents are responsible for removal of any overgrown branches/weeds that would interfere with the number being visible. They are not to be attached to mailbox posts. They MUST be on poles provided.

Solid Waste & Recycling Program Updates - 2018

Provided by Taylor Leach, Recycling Coordinator

www.waupacacountyrecyclina.com

715-258-6240

Like us on Facebook Waupaca County Solid Waste & Recycling

- Recycle More & Pay Less for Garbage! The Waupaca Regional Recycling & Composting Center, 601 Lakeside Parkway in Waupaca offers a pay-by-the-bag garbage program that rewards you for recycling. The more you recycle, the less garbage you have and, therefore, the less money you have to pay for the disposal of that garbage. A WIN WIN situation! Stop at the site during hours of operation (Mon 12-6, Fri 7-4, Sat 7-3) for additional information, or visit www.waupacacountyrecycling.com. Large bulky items, such as furniture, carpet, and construction/demolition materials are not accepted at this site but are accepted at the Waupaca County PTF. Minimum charge of \$15 up to 400 pounds or \$72 per ton.
- PTF General Information. The Waupaca County Processing & Transfer Facility (PTF), located at E4981 Swan Road in the Town of Little Wolf, is open Mon Fri 7-3, Sat 7-noon (Mar Nov), 3rd Sat 7-noon (Dec Feb). All loads MUST be covered, secured, and scaled in 15 minutes prior to closing. Payment is cash or check only. PTF brochure is available online at www.waupacacountyrecycling.com.
- Compost Bins for Sale! The Home Composter ™ bin will be on display and available for purchase starting May 1 at the Waupaca County Solid Waste Department, 811 Harding Street, Waupaca, and at the Waupaca County PTF. Bin capacity is 13 cu. ft. and comes with a locking lid, dual access doors, and a 'How To' handbook. Cost: \$55.00 includes tax.
- May Tire Round-Up. During the first two weeks of May, residents can dispose of tires at a reduced rate at the Waupaca County PTF. Car tires without rim will cost \$3.50 per tire; \$7.00 with rim. Car tires in quantities greater than four and all other tires will be weighed, with the cost of disposal based on \$200 per ton.
- Household Hazardous Waste. The Household Hazardous Waste program begins in May and runs through October at the Waupaca County PTF and is by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Call 715-258-6249 for an appointment to dispose of items such as old gas, paint thinner, varnish, oil paints, pesticides, and other poisonous or flammable substances.
- 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.
- Medication Disposal. Medication drop-boxes for the disposal of unwanted prescription and over-the-counter medications, including pet medications, are available year-round at the Waupaca County Sheriff Department and the Clintonville, Manawa, Marion, New London and Weyauwega Police Departments. Please dump pills into sandwich-size sealable bags. Keep liquids, ointments and powders in their original containers. The empty pill bottles can be recycled with your other plastic bottles. Place the bottle caps in the garbage.

Understanding VA Healthcare

WHAT IS VA HEALTHCARE?

VA Healthcare provides no-cost care to indigent Veterans, Veterans with catastrophic medical conditions, Veterans with a disability rating of 50 percent or higher, or for conditions that are officially rated as "service-connected." VA Healthcare is not insurance. In order to take advantage of this benefit you must be eligible, apply, and be enrolled. Every Veteran has a unique eligibility status which affects the specific benefits they may receive.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

You may be eligible if you were discharged from service under other than dishonorable conditions and meet:

Minimum Duty Requirements

Most Veterans who enlisted after September 7, 1980, or entered active duty after October 16, 1981, must have served 24 continuous months or the full period for which they were called to active duty in order to be eligible. This minimum duty requirement may not apply to Veterans who were discharged for a disability incurred or aggravated in the line of duty, for a hardship or "early out," or those who served prior to September 7, 1980. Since there are a number of other exceptions to the minimum duty requirements, VA encourages all Veterans to apply so that we may determine their enrollment eligibility.

Combat Veterans who were discharged or released from active service on or after January 28, 2003, are now eligible to enroll in the VA health care system for 5 years from the date of discharge or release. NOTE: The 5-year enrollment period applicable to these Veterans begins on the discharge or separation date of the service member from active duty military service, or in the case of multiple call-ups, the most recent discharge date.

Combat Veterans who were discharged or released from active service after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2011, who did not enroll within the 5 years as stated above, are now eligible to enroll in the VA health care system for an additional period of one year beginning February 12, 2015.

Enhanced Eligibility

Certain Veterans may be afforded enhanced eligibility status when applying and enrolling in the VA healthcare system. Veterans who:

- Are a Former Prisoner of War (POW)
- In receipt of the Purple Heart Medal.
- In receipt of the Medal of Honor.
- Have a compensable VA awarded serviceconnected disability of 10% or more.
- In receipt of a VA Pension.
- Were discharged from the military because of a disability (not preexisting), early out, or hardship.
- Served in a Theater of Operations (for 5 years post discharge).
- Served in the Republic of Vietnam from January 9, 1962 to May 7, 1975. U.S. Navy and Coast Guard ships associated with military service in Vietnam see VA site.
- Served in the Persian Gulf from August 2, 1990 to November 11, 1998.
- Were stationed or resided at Camp Lejeune for 30 days or more between August 1, 1953 and December 31, 1987.
- Are found by VA to be Catastrophically Disabled.
- Previous years' household income is below VA's National Income or Geographical-Adjusted Thresholds.

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

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!

Jesse P. Cuff Waupaca County Veterans Service Officer Courthouse, 811 Harding Street Waupaca, WI 54981 715-258-6475 www.facebook.com/WaupacaVeteransOffice

Hours: Monday - Friday 8a-4p

Source / for more information:

http://www.va.gov/HEALTHBENEFITS/apply/veterans.asp http://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/resources/publications/IB10-438 combat veteran eligibility.pdf https://www.1010ez.med.va.gov/ http://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/resources/publications/IB10-441 enrollment priority groups.pdf

Hartman Creek State Park News

Spring is just around the corner and along with the emerging wild flowers, there are new faces at Hartman Creek State Park. Jarrod Kehring is entering his first spring as Park Superintendent and two new Rangers, Randy Busch and Jim Abbott, have joined the park over the winter.

The staff is busy preparing for the upcoming summer season. The first loop of the campground will tentatively open on April 1st, with shower buildings, dump station, and remainder of campground slated for early-May. The camping rates have changed as of February 15, 2018. Please refer to the tables below.

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Spring/ May 1" through Ti Memorial Day ar through Octo	nursday before nd Labor Day ober 31st		Sum efore Mer nday befo			Winter Nov. 1 st through April 30th
Weekday	Weekend	Wee	kday	Wee	kend	Weekday and Weekend
Non- Electric Electric E	lectric -	Non- Electric	Electric	Non- Electric	Electric	Non-Electric Electric
\$15 \$28	\$18 💝 🌅 \$30 🔣	\$18	\$30	\$20	\$30	\$15 \$28

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Spring/Fall May 1st through Thursday before Memorial Day and Labor Day through October 31st	Friday b	The second secon	mer norial Day	through	Winter Nov. 1 st through April 30th ^s
Weekday Weekend	Wee	kday	Wee	kend	Weekday and Weekend
Non- Electric Non- Electric Electric	Non- Electric	Electric	Non- Electric	Electric	Non-Electric Electric
\$20 \$33 \$23 \$35	\$23	<i>\$35</i>	\$25	\$35	\$20 3.50

The horse trails will open April 1st, if the weather and trail conditions cooperate. The mountain bike trails are open year-round (trail pass required). Occasionally, the bike trails are closed due to poor trail conditions- please call the office if you have any questions.

From Memorial Day through Labor Day weekend the park Naturalist will offer various interpretative programs at the park. Monthly schedules of activities will be posted throughout the park and on the Wisconsin DNR Get Outdoors website:

http://dnr.wi.gov/calendar/events/parks/index.asp

Interested in volunteering at Hartman Creek State Park? There are many opportunities available, some of which include:

- Invasive species management
- Adopt-a-Trail
- Assist the park Naturalist
- Maintenance projects
- Join the Friends Group

The Friends of Hartman Creek State Park will be sponsoring a volunteer work day May 5, 2018. This is a great opportunity to stop by and check out the park. Admission will be free for volunteers along with lunch provided by the Friends of Hartman Creek! If you would like more information, stop by the park office or give us a call at (715) 258-2372.

It won't happen here.....Eric Halverson, Deputy Director Waupaca County Emergency Management

- "It won't happen here" or something similar was probably said before an active killer incident in Anytown, USA. The unfortunate reality is that it can and does happen anywhere, not just the major population areas. What approach should you take to better prepare yourself and family should the unthinkable occur.
- Violence can occur in many locations: schools, workplace, shopping areas, places of worship...
 any place people gather. What are some of the things that you can do to be less likely to be in a bad situation?
- Be aware of your surroundings. When you go to an unfamiliar place, make a mental note of
 where the exits are. Can you see the EXIT signs, they are not just in case of a fire. Know where
 the restrooms are located in the event you to lock down. Is it easy to exit the parking lot or
 should you leave your car and travel on foot? Can you see anything that you could use to
 defend yourself?
- Many schools and businesses are using safety program that you can use for yourself. One method is based on 3 actions: Run, Hide, Fight. Not necessarily in that order.
- RUN: If you are able to safely leave the area, do so. Be sure to tell others if possible as you are leaving the area. When you reach a safe location, call 911 to report the situation. Don't assume that someone else will call.
- HIDE: If you are not able to leave the area, you may need to seek shelter. Look for a room with a
 lock if possible. Hide under a sturdy desk or other substantial object. Turn off the ringer on your
 phone. Remain as quiet as possible. Call 911 if you can do so without drawing attention to your
 location. Text someone if you can't safely call. Stay in the secure location until law enforcement
 arrives.
- Fight: You may not have any other option. If you are face to face with an attacker, defend
 yourself as if your life depends on it. Look for objects that you can throw at them or shield
 yourself from the attacker. Fire extinguisher are multi-purpose. You can spray them in the face
 and/or throw it at them.
- Situational awareness is your responsibility.

OFFICIALS DIRECTORY

Chair

Caroline Murphy N2576 Norris Ln Waupaca, WI 54981 715-513-0013(24/7) Supervisor I

Craig Nelson N4228 Morgan Rd Waupaca, WI 54981 715-281-9051 Supervisor II

Mark Jensen E1498 Erickson Rd Waupaca, WI 54981 715-281-6085

Clerk-Treasurer

Danielle Taggart 715-258-2779 **Public Office Hours**

Monday through Friday 8am-1pm

Waupaca County Zoning Land Use & Sanitary Permits

715-258-6255

Humane Officer/Dog Pound

Diane Neelis 715-258-6929

Assessor

James Stephens, Central Assessors 715-258-9255 (leave message) 715-281-0080 **Building Inspector**

Robert Underberg 715-281-1060

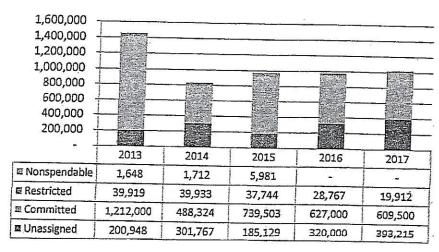
Summary Financial Information

GENERAL FUND BALANCE

Presented below is a summary of the Town's General Fund balance on December 31, 2017 and 2016. This information is provided for assessing financial results for 2017 and for indicating financial resources available at the start of the 2018 budget year.

General Fund	1	12/31/17		
Restricted for Cemetery perpetual care	1	•		
Committed	\$	19,912	\$	28,767
Landfill costs Future road project		312,000		312,000
Unassigned		297,500		315,000
Total general fund balance		393,215		320,000
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Presented below is a fund balance analysis of the General Fund for fiscal years 2013 - 2017. This information is presented to assist Town management in assessing fund balance levels at the end of fiscal year 2017 and the trend over the past five years.



GENERAL FUND

DETAILED COMPARISON OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL REVENUES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Bu	dget				Fina	ariance I Budget - ositive		
_	Original		Final		Actual	700	ositive egative)		2016 Actual
Taxes General property Forest crop/MFL taxes	\$ 651,317	\$	651,317	\$	651,363 3,904	\$	46 3.904	\$	651,300
Total taxes	651,317		651,317	-	655,267		3,950	CHARLES (MICHAEL)	3,883 655,183
intergovernmental State									033,103
State shared taxes Fire insurance dues	57,036 15,574		57,036 15,574		57,121 17,387		85 1,813		57,216
Tax exempt computer aid Water patrol	177 3,000		177 3,000		177 3,676		(- 1		15,574 189
Transportation Transportation disaster damage	170,435		170,435		170,435		676 -		2,629 170,303
Severance					10,916		10,916		1,208
MFL Municipal service aid	570 16,461		570 16,461		7,679 15,321		7,109		4,556
Veterans					13,321		(1,140)		17,724 48,570
PILT State Conservation Aid PILT - Equiv. to property tax	289 300		289 300		289 317		-		289
Total intergovernmental	263,842		263,842		283,318		17 19,476		318 318,576
Licenses and permits Licenses							to position		
Liquor and malt beverage Operators, cigarette and	5,075		5,075		4,997		(78)		5,110
other licenses Cable television fees	1,000		1,000		1,047		47		980
Dog	32,000 1,500		32,000		34,168		2,168		32,552
Permits Building			1,500		676		(824)		1,567
Land use and zoning	16,700 4,000		16,700 4,000		27,580		10,880		21,590
Total licenses and permits	 60,275		60,275		68,468		(4,000) 8,193		61,799
Fines and forfeits				1.2.					
Court fines and penalties	100		100		456		356		116

GENERAL FUND
DETAILED COMPARISON OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL REVENUES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Bud	get		Final Budget - Positive	2016 Actual	
Dublication	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)		
Public charges for services Clerk's fees				(NOSOLIVE)	Actual	
	200	200	415	215	980	
Liquor license advertising fees	100	100	90	(10)	100	
Culverts and snowplowing	100	100	550	450	400	
Cemetery lot and maintenance fees	900	900	3,000	2,100	300	
Fire sign fees	100	100	650	550	250	
Recycling tag fee	100	100	300	200	210	
Fireworks application fees	_	5:01:1	1.000	1,000		
Total public charges for				1,000	500	
services -	1,500	1,500	6,005	4,505	2,740	
Intergovernmental charges						
for services						
Water patrol reimbursement	3,000	3,000	3,067			
WVH street light reimbursement	536	536	387	67	10,501	
Total intergovernmental			301	(149)	387	
charges for services	3,536	3,536	3,454	(82)	10,888	
Miscellaneous			-			
Interest on investments	2,500	2,500	3,749	1,249	3,163	
Rent of Town property		-	380	380	2,103	
Insurance refund - landfill	48,000	48,000	48,000	300	48,000	
Insurance proceeds - highway	:	-	1,661	1,661	40,000	
Building inspector fund	1,000	1,000	1,225	225	1,145	
Other		-	56	56	2,582	
Total miscellaneous	51,500	51,500	55,071	3,571	54,890	

GENERAL FUND
DETAILED COMPARISON OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

		Bu	dget				Final Budget - Positive			2046
Concert	Original			Final	Actual		(Negative)			2016 Actual
General government			3 /A				(24)	-sative)		ACIUAI
Legislative	\$	28,200	\$	28,200	\$	33,558	\$	(5,358)	\$	27.004
Elections		5,200		5,200	51	8.140	~	(2,940)	ş	27,854
Legal		5,000		5,000		700		4,300		14,745
General administration		12,800		12,800		17,760		(4,960)		4,611
Clerk/treasurer		57,027		57,027		44,283				10,929
Accounting and auditing		6.505		6.505		5,280		12,744		53,172
Assessment of property		21,400		21,400		25,979		1,225		7,295
Town hall maintenance		20,000		20,000		22,467		(4,579)		21,845
Employee life and disability insurance		7,439		7,439		F		(2,467)		16,394
Insurance and bonds		6,500		6,500		13,138		(5,699)	37	8,008
Other general government		7,600		7,600		6,272		228		6,620
Miscellaneous		,,000		7,000		-		7,600		-
Total general government		177,671		177,671		70		(70)		
-		(17,07)		177,071		177,647		24		171,473
Public safety										
Law enforcement		7,550		7,550		7 470				
Fire protection		109,883		109,883		7,478		72		5,713
Ambulance		42,000		42,000		108,728		1,155		104,001
Inspection		18,200		18,200		43,800		(1,800)		44,099
Emergency government		500		500		22,734		(4,534)		17,962
Total public safety		178,133		178,133		706		(206)		2,241
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Public works										
Highway and street maintenance		481.850		499,350		22726				
Highway marking and signing		25,000		25,000		327,265 30,409	7	72,085		544,337
Street lighting		25,550		25,550				(5,409)		31,830
Sanitary landfill		40,000		40,000		22,132		3,418		24,331
Recycling		3,859		3,859		21,163		18,837		28,263
Total public works		76,259	-	593,759 _		4,223		(364)		10,045
				373,139		405,192		88,567		638,806
Health and human services										
Animal and insect control		1,754		1.754		4 200				
Cemetery		8,000		8,000		1,209		545		2,508
Total health and human services		9,754		9,754		10,362		(2,362)		8,646
Comment of the Commen		- 		7,134		11,571		(1,817)		11,154

GENERAL FUND
DETAILED COMPARISON OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017
WITH COMPARATIVE ACTUAL AMOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

	Bud	get			
Culture and recreation	Original	Final	Actual	Positive (Negative)	2016 Actual
Parks - general Fireworks display Senior center Other culture and rec Total culture and recreation	61,578 1,675 500 	61,578 1,675 500 - 63,753	61,578 1,675 - 5,000 68,253	500 (5,000) (4,500)	57,091 1,675 - - 58,766
Conservation and development				(-,500)	20,766
Comprehensive planning Zoning and land use planning Total conservation and	1,500	1,500	2,942 45	(1,442) (45)	630
development	1,500	1,500	2,987	(1,487)	630
Capital outlay					
Office equipment Election outlay Town hall	5,000 - 20,000	5,000 - 20,000	225	5,000 (225) 20,000	1,500 10,936
Water patrol Street improvements		•	1-00a to 1 -	,	25,902
Cemetery	•	45.000	166,958	(166,958)	,
Total capital outlay	25,000	15,000 40,000	8,900 176,083	6,100 (136,083)	9,001
Total expenditures	\$ 1,032,070 \$	1,064,570	\$ 1,025,179	\$ 39,391 \$	47,339 1,102,184