

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF ROCK CREEK

The Dunn County will collect personal property and real estate taxes for the 2022 tax year. **THE DUNN COUNTY TREASURER OFFICES ARE OPEN MON-FRI (8:00-4:30), HOWEVER PAYMENTS BY MAIL OR DROPBOX ARE ENCOURAGED.** Please make checks payable to Dunn County Treasurer. First installment of real estate tax is due January 31, 2023. Second installment of real estate tax is due July 31, 2023. All personal property taxes are due in full by January 31, 2023. Other options are available if needed. Call 715-232-3789 for details. Please send the Dunn County Treasurer a check for **ONLY PERSONAL and PROPERTY TAXES** and do not include money for Dogs or Solid Waste. Mail all taxes to the address below:

Sifia Jevne, Dunn County Treasurer
3001 US Hwy 12 E
Suite #102A
Menomonie, WI 54751

NOTE: Escrow Tax Payers. Solid Waste payment and Dogs are not collected and need to be paid to the Rock Creek Town Treasurer. See **PAYMENTS FOR DOGS AND SOLID WASTE.**

PAYMENTS FOR DOGS AND SOLID WASTE

When paying the Town of Rock Creek for Dog licenses and solid waste, please indicate how much is for dogs and how much is for Solid Waste. Please include your tax parcel ID with payment. All checks for Dog licenses and Solid Waste should be made payable to "Town of Rock Creek" and mailed to:

Lisa Pronschinske, Treasurer
N995 County Road H
Mondovi, WI 54755

If you have any questions, email Lisa Pronschinske at lkpronschinske@gmail.com or call/text 608-347-5098.

DOG LICENSES

If you own a dog(s) you are required by STATE LAW to have it vaccinated for rabies and be licensed.

Yearly license fees are \$3 for each neutered or spayed dog and \$8 for each unaltered dog. Please send proof of vaccination and payment by April 1, 2023 to avoid late payment penalties of \$5 per license. Rental property owners should provide this information to their tenants. State statutes mandate dog owners to be in control of their pets at all time.

SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PERMITS

The Town of Rock Creek has been operating as its own Responsible Unit with regards to solid waste and recycling for almost two years. As in prior years, all households within the township equally share this cost. We are happy to announce this year a lower cost of **\$135 per residence**. This fee must be paid even if you do not use the transfer (dump) and recycling station; however, we hope you use the services provided. The solid waste fee must be paid, by January 31, 2023, to avoid having the fee, along with interest added to your next year's tax bill. Please note that solid waste is not included in your escrow payment.

The Rock Creek transfer station will be open 2 days per week in 2023: **Wednesday 1-5 pm and Saturday 7:30-Noon**. Use of the transfer station requires you to display the solid waste sticker included with this letter. NOTE: For now, the transfer station will be open as normal 12/24/22 and 12/31/22. (Check website for updates)

Items included with Yearly Fee

Household trash will be included in the yearly fee. This year, there will be a **5-bag (30 gallon) limit per week**. Since most households produce around 1 bag per week, this rule should not be too intrusive. However, you will need to plan accordingly. This rule is due to the incredible stench created by bringing trash that has been sitting around for an extended period. Please do not include deer carcasses in your trash.

Recycling items are also free. This includes aluminum, steel, glass, #1 plastic, #2 plastic, and #5 plastic containers. Additionally, cardboard, newspaper, magazines, office paper, and plastic merchandise bags will be collected. Except for plastic bags, all the previously mentioned recycling items will be co-mingled. Please make sure recyclable items have been emptied and are reasonably clean.

Other items included in the yearly fee: Batteries, stoves, washers, dryers, dishwashers, furnaces, water heaters, microwaves, sharps placed in proper containers, used motor oil and antifreeze, and oil filters.

Items not included with Yearly Fee

We will also be accepting construction and demolition, tires, hot appliances (contain freon), TVs, furniture, mattresses, and fluorescent bulbs for an additional fee. The fees for these items can be found on the town website and at the transfer station. The fees charged reflect the costs the transfer station incurs to dispose of these items.

Annual Report Filed with DNR

In April of this year, an Annual Report was filed with the DNR. For the year, we recycled 35.5 tons of aluminum, paper, cardboard, glass, plastic, and steel. This converts to 68.93 pounds per person. Although we were a little below the DNR goal of 82.40, we received a passing grade. Let's all try a little harder to achieve the DNR goal in 2023.

In addition to the state mandated items listed above, we also collected 1178 electronic items, 20 major appliances, 192 pounds of batteries, 600 gallons of oil, 125 used oil filters, and 73 tires.

THANK YOU for your efforts in 2022!!

New and Familiar Faces

Mark Stevens will be working most shifts, as Paul Onstad would like to scale back a bit. If you see Paul, please thank him for his efforts in getting the Rock Creek Transfer Station up and running. His knowledge and service has been extremely valuable. Rollie Johnson will continue to work most shifts next year. Rollie took his first day off in over a year and a half recently. Please thank him for his service as well.

TAX LIST

Tax information can be found through the Dunn County GSI. The link and instructions are available on the towns web page.

ROCK CREEK TOWN HALL RENTAL

Rental agreement and pricing are available on the towns' website. For availability/questions, contact the town clerk, Kelly Boardman at 715-563-3478.

ROCK FALLS ROCKETS 4-H CLUB

Rock Falls Rockets 4-H Club 4-H is not only for kids doing animal projects. If you enjoy something, it can be made into a 4-H project. Kids can join from Kindergarten until age 19. Come and check us out. We usually meet the 1st Sunday of the month at the Rock Falls Town Hall at 6 pm. Call Missy at 715-495-3326, Paula at 715-579-5723, or Theresa at 715-495-5813 for more information.

ROCK CREEK FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Firefighters hope everyone has had a safe and healthy year. We are dispatched through Dunn Country. So, **for burning permits call Dunn County at (715) 232-1348.** They will not ask what you are burning or what time of day you will be burning. It will be your responsibility as a resident of the town to know and follow our ordinance. A copy of the burning ordinance can be found on the town's website. Also the quickest way now to get the Fire Department or any Emergency Services is by dialing 911. If you have any of our old Fire Department's

phone number stickers please throw them away. We will have a fund raiser late winter or early spring. Hope to see you there. Thank you!!

Finally, we are in need of more Firefighters especially during the daytime. If you are interested please call the Fire Chief at (715) 828-0297. All training and expenses are paid by the town and state.

ELECTION WORKERS

The Town of Rock Creek would like to thank the Election workers for all of their hard work and dedication. We appreciate you! If you would be interested in becoming an election worker please reach out to the Town Clerk or any of the Town Board Members for more details.

POP UP FOOD PANTRY

Stepping Stones mobile food pantry is available at the Rock Falls Town Hall. Prepackaged boxes are handed out on the first Tuesday of the month from 1:00 PM till 2:00PM. View the town’s webpage for more details.

PARK COMMISSION NOTES

The Rock Falls Park Committee would like to thank the volunteers and attendees of the 4th of July festivities. Despite a little rain, we had a great turnout. Thank you to everyone involved with the park getting 2 pickleball courts this year. This includes writing grants, soliciting donations, donating money, time & equipment. We couldn’t have done it without all of you. We are still taking donations so we can add a fence and maybe some lighting. The park shelter can be reserved for birthday parties, family reunions, or other special events between the months of April and October. Everyone is welcome to attend the park commission meetings. The agendas and minutes are posted at the town hall and at

www.townofrockcreek.org website. Follow us on Facebook at Rock Falls Offutt

PARK COMMISSION MEMBERS:

- Roy Splinter 608-213-5241
- Missy Hazen 715-495-3326
- Derrick Bauer 715-279-6061
- William Sandberg 715-495-0321
- Austynn Bonesteel 715-495-7152
- Kirsten Francis 715-514-7771
- Scott Lawton 715-520-0751



@Rock Falls Offutt Park

CURRENT Town Board Members:

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Steve Dahl, Supervisor
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Rachel Kummer, Supervisor
715-279-1180
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Lisa Pronschinske, Treasurer
608-347-5098
lkpronschinske@gmail.com

Kelly Boardman, Clerk
Phone: 715-563-3478
Email: townofrockcreek@wwt.net

CAUCUS

The town of Rock Creek will hold the Caucus on **Thursday, January 19, 2023** at 7:00 PM to nominate town board candidates.

Note: Monthly meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

WATER TESTING

Dunn County will provide free water testing to anyone with a private well. If you would like your water tested see the GROUNDWATER SAMPLING sheet that is with the newsletter. It can also be found on the town web page listed at the top.