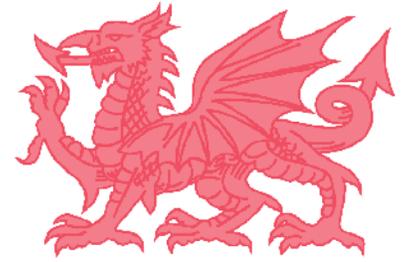


VILLAGE OF WALES QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



Winter 2009



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT By Jeffery Flaws

Fall is upon us and winter is just around the corner. We have filled this issue with events, ideas and information on rules and regulations to help get you through the long cold season ahead. You can also find all of this information plus current events, alerts, updates and contact information for our local businesses on the village's website.

Over the past summer the Village created a snow and ice removal policy to help the residents better understand how and when the snow plow contractor for the Village will clear Village roads. Please review the policy and keep the information for future reference.

As always, we will continue to use this newsletter, the Village's website, the coverage of Village activities as reported in the Kettle Moraine Index, and the postings of our various agendas to keep you informed as 2010 progresses. And of course, if you have any questions, comments or concerns please contact the Village Hall as indicated elsewhere in this issue.

VILLAGE'S WEB SITE

The Village's Web site, www.vi.wales.wi.gov., has new information added weekly, including meeting minutes and agendas. Most forms for Park and Recreation programs are available to download along with the Facilities Use application.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS/PERMITS



As a rule of thumb, any work of a maintenance nature will not require a permit. However, building, remodeling, alterations or additions thereto, roofing, heating, air-conditioning, plumbing, electrical work, swimming pools, installation of wood burning heating systems, fences, decks, sheds, outbuildings, etc., will require a permit. Any questions regarding permits should be directed to Scott Hussinger at 968-6823.

VILLAGE ORDINANCES

The current property maintenance ordinance includes such items as exterior maintenance and appearance, refuse, garbage and rubbish storage requirements and lawn maintenance. To report any violations, or if you have questions, contact the Village Hall.

CHILI COOK-OFF TO BENEFIT LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES



The Village of Wales and the Town of Genesee will be hosting a Municipal Chili Cook-off on Saturday, November 14, 2009, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Wales/Genesee Fire Department. Entries from six local communities: V. Wales, T. Genesee, T. Waukesha, T. Ottawa, V. Dousman, V. North Prairie and the Wales/Genesee Fire Department can be sampled and voted on. Come vote for your community, clerk or elected official. Food and proceeds from this event will be donated to local food pantries to help feed families in need this holiday season. Please join us for an afternoon of fun. Admission to the event is 2 nonperishable food items or a cash donation and will allow the person to taste all entries.



Pause. Take a breath. Step back from the hustle and bustle into a peaceful world of holiday delights. Cider & cookies and an old-fashion horse-drawn wagon and a Christmas wish whispered in Santa's ear. Christmas the way it should be. Mark your calendars for December 12, 2009, Christmas in Wales. Enjoy the FREE holiday event to be held from 11:00 a.m. – 2 p.m. Area businesses and residents will again be sponsoring a Christmas event in downtown Wales. We will have pictures with Santa, a live nativity scene, cookie decorating for the kids, holiday jazz concert performed by the Kettle Moraine High School Jazz Band, activities at Santa's work shop, and horse-drawn wagon rides! There will also be lunch food for sale at two locations and a Christmas cookie sale. Several of the locations will have collection barrels for donations of nonperishable food for the Wales Food Pantry. Please share generously so those in need can enjoy the season, too. For more information or to see how you can help make this event a memorable one, please contact Dan Hahn at Equitable Bank in Delafield at 646-4311. Thanks and Happy Holidays.

HOLIDAY HOURS & CLOSINGS

During the coming holiday season the Village Hall will be closed on the following schedule:

- All day November 26th & 27th
- At Noon on December 24th; all day December 25th
- At Noon on December 31st; all day January 1st

PARK AND REC DEPARTMENT

Registrations for next year

Baseball, soccer and Football registration forms will be available around the first week of February 2010, with baseball ending late March 2010 and soccer and football ending early June 2010. Registration forms will be available at the Village Hall or on the Village's Web site, www.vi.wales.wi.gov.

COMMUNITY FUND



Funds the Village receives from the "We Care" program at Pick 'N Save will be used to beautify our community. Please designate the "Village of Wales Community Fund" as your organization of choice. Our organization number is 897625.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HISTORIC VILLAGE CENTER COMMITTEE

Both the Village's Master Land Use Plan, adopted in 2004, and the recently adopted Comprehensive Land Use ("Smart Growth") Plan recommend the preservation of historic places to help ensure that the heritage of the community is protected and enhanced over time.

In an effort to further this objective and encourage appropriate development of the Village's downtown area the Village of Wales Plan Commission is going to begin work on a "Historic Village Center" plan. In order to achieve the broadest possible participation by residents and business owners we are forming a subcommittee of 8 to 10 people to provide recommendations to the Commission. Some of the topics that will be addressed include: historic site designations, desired types of businesses, design standards, beautification programs and fiscal considerations.

We anticipate holding meetings once a month at the Village Hall for a period of 6 - 12 months. If you would be interested in serving on this subcommittee or would like more information, please contact the Village Hall at 968-3968, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., or e-mail us at paulinew@bizwi.rr.com.

TAX PAYMENTS CAN BE PAID LOCALLY

Town Bank of Wales will again be collecting property tax bills. They are located in the Kettle Moraine Plaza, 200 W. Summit Avenue. If you have any questions regarding their hours or this service please contact Jamie Smith-Carlson at Town Bank, 968-1740. Payments can still be made at the Waukesha County Treasurers Office.

RECYCLING

Recycling saves valuable resources such as trees, minerals, fossil fuels, and even water. Recycling also conserves landfill space, allowing more room for our beautiful Wisconsin farms, parks, natural habitat areas, and cities.



Current recycling efforts keep about 1.69 million tons of materials out of Wisconsin landfills and incinerators annually. At this rate, Wisconsin citizens save space equivalent to the size of an average municipal waste landfill every 1.5 - 2 years. Every ton of paper recycled saves 3.3 cubic yards of landfill space.¹ We can still do a lot more! In 2005, it is estimated that Wisconsin landfilled more than \$100M worth of potentially recyclable materials.¹

Every ton of paper that is recycled saves 17 trees. Even though trees are a renewable resource and can grow back again, recycling reduces the need for monoculture tree farms, and saves energy and water.

The production of one ton of aluminum ingot requires 4-5 tons of bauxite ore, which is only found in a few places in the world. However, when aluminum cans are recycled, they become a new aluminum can in as little as 60 days without using up rare bauxite reserves or causing the negative environmental impacts of mining. An aluminum can has no limit to the amount of times it can be recycled, so keep returning them to your recycling container!

The majority of our energy comes from fossil fuels: oil, natural gas, and coal. Fossil fuels formed over millions of years from the fossils or remains of dead animals and plants. Because it takes millions of years to "create" more fossil fuels, we call them nonrenewable resources. Once we use up all of the current fossil fuels, they are gone to us forever!²

Facts and Figures

- Recycling 1 ton of glass saves the equivalent of 10 gallons of oil.³
- Recycling 1 ton of plastic saves the equivalent of 1-2,000 gallons of gasoline.³
- Recycling 1 ton of newspaper saves the equivalent of 100 gallons of gasoline.³
- Recycling 1 ton of aluminum saves the equivalent of 2,350 gallons of gasoline.³
- Recycling 1 ton of paper saves the equivalent of 380 gallons of oil.³

¹ Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

² U.S. Department of Energy

³ Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources PUBL CE-163 2003 Rev

VILLAGE OF WALES BURNING ORDINANCE

BURNING REGULATIONS

RESIDENTIAL BURNING. (1) Burning of garbage and trash prohibited. No person shall burn garbage, paper, putrid materials, buildings or other structures, lumber, construction materials, or materials from razed buildings. The burning of dry brush, dry leaves, dry limbs, dry plant clippings, dry branches and dry logs is allowed subject to various regulations as listed in the Village's current burning ordinance. Burning days are as follows:

November 15 – March 15
Days: Everyday
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – sunset

March 16 – November 14
Days: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – sunset

National Holidays: No burning

Burning on any commercial, business or other property within the Village, except for residential, is hereby prohibited.

A full copy of the Village's burning ordinance can be found on the Village's website.

CHIEF'S CORNER- WINTER 2009

The question was asked – Why does the ambulance not take off right way, but sometimes remain on scene after the patient is placed into the ambulance?

The reason is that a number of interventions are possibly being performed prior to transporting the patient and if possible need to be done in a stationary vehicle. Some examples are:

Doing a 12 lead EKG (monitoring of the heart rhythm) and transmitting the results to the hospital because if you try to send a 12 lead EKG in a moving ambulance you could run into several issues with the quality in the transmission such as dead zones. Starting an IV and administering medicines in a stationary vehicle is safer than a moving vehicle. Obtaining a set of vitals such as a blood pressure are difficult to hear sometimes. Also, setting up equipment for and administering a breathing treatment- such as Continuous Positive Airway Pressure –CPAP all need to be done before the ambulance gets on the way.

Please remember that the patient's best interest is always kept in mind and emergency personnel on the scene are always keeping track of how long the ambulance as been on location.



IT'S IN OUR HANDS

United States[®] Census 2010

The 2010 Census questionnaires will be mailed to all residents in February and March, 2010. The questionnaire will be one of the shortest in history, consisting of 10 questions! It takes about 10 minutes to complete.

The Census is a count of everyone living in the United States, it is mandated by the U.S. Constitution, and it is very important that every resident in Wales participate.

Why?

The information collected by the Census will guide the distribution of more than \$400 billion in federal funds to local, state and tribal governments. The data are also used to determine representation in Congress and to help guide planning decisions, such as the placement of schools, hospitals, transportation, and business and industrial development.

Residents are required by law to complete the questionnaire and strict laws protect the confidentiality of respondents and the information they provide. Be sure to watch for the questionnaire in the mail and return it promptly. Everyone counts! For more information visit www.vi.wales.wi.gov.

2010 DOG LICENSES

2010 Dog License Tags will be available at the Village Hall around the second week in December. All dogs must be licensed by March 31, 2010 to avoid a \$5.00 late fee. Make checks payable to "Treasurer, Village of Wales".

VILLAGE OF WALES 2010 DOG LICENSE APPLICATION

Owner's Name _____

Phone # _____

Owner's Address _____

Dog's Name _____

Color _____ Breed _____ Sex: _____

Neutered Male/ Spayed Female - \$9.00

Unneutered Male/Unspayed Female - \$13.00

Proof of a rabies shot is needed, including date of shot and its expiration date. Please fill out the application above and bring or send it along with your rabies certificate. You must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope when paying by mail for the return of your certificate and license.

Village of Wales Snow Removal Policy

The Village of Wales has 22 centerline miles under our jurisdiction. In addition, the Village is responsible for the Village Hall, Community Building, public parking lots, community parks and designated sidewalks. The snow and ice removal program is a vital public service.

Providing snow and ice removal is a large task. Variations in weather conditions, time, temperature, precipitation amounts and rates, and traffic make the problem complex.

Some hazards and obstacles faced by our snowplow contractors are parked cars, garbage cans, vehicles traveling too fast and too close to the plow trucks, and children playing and building forts too close to the streets.

Snow Plowing Procedures

Type of Precipitation	Actual Amount	Procedure
Snow Flurries	Trace to 1"	Will not plow. May salt/sand intersections, hills and curves.
Snow	1" to 2"	Will begin plowing. Continue to salt/sand intersections, hills and curves.
Snow	2" to 5"	Will continue to plow to maintain 1 passable lane in each direction. Continue to salt/sand intersections, hills and curves.
Snow	6" Plus	Snow Emergency to be declared. Will continue to plow to maintain a passable lane in the event of emergency vehicle traffic. (The contractor can be directed to clear a path for emergency vehicles.)
Ice	¼" or less	Will salt/sand intersections, hills and curves
Ice	¼" or more	Will salt/sand all streets. Snow Emergency may be declared if travel is impeded.

The snow plow contractor may also be dispatched by the Village President, the Grounds and Maintenance Supervisor or, in their absences, any Village Board Trustee. The contractor may also be dispatched by the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department.

Initial plowing procedure is to open the streets to allow traffic. Final plowing to push to full width of the street is to be done within 24 hours of storm's end.

Cul-de-sacs present a special problem for the snow removal crews. Plowing in cul-de-sacs will consist of making a double-width pass to clear snow to allow residents street access during the storm. Snow left in the center will not be removed until it accumulates to 12" or more.

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE OF WALES:

Wolf Paving is pleased to be clearing snow for the Village again this year. We are dedicated to providing this service as safely and efficiently as possible. Please yield to our drivers as they clear the roads of snow. Our objective during plowing is to have one passable lane in each direction open at all times. Please be aware that cars parked along the side of the road and residents blowing/plowing snow into the streets make our job difficult.

We are on call 24 hours a day, and are pleased to be working according to the new Snow Removal Policy published by the Village of Wales. Please direct comments and questions about our service to the Village of Wales

Ron Brown, Wolf Paving Company

Helpful Hints and Reminders

- * It is unlawful to deposit snow or ice onto any Village street, whether or not it has been plowed.
- * Village ordinances prohibit snow from private properties being plowed across Village right-of-way and on to other private or public property.
- * It is the responsibility of the landowner to clear sidewalks within 24 hours of storm's end. If not done the Village may provide such service and bill the landowner for service (or place on the tax bill).
- * The Village of Wales is not responsible for any damage caused to mailboxes by the process of clearing snow.
- * The process of plowing the streets will mean additional snow will be deposited at the end of everyone's driveways.
- * It is the responsibility of the landowner to clear the end of their driveway. The Village plowing contractor can not be hired or requested by residents to clear driveways while on Village business.
- * It is the responsibility of the landowner to ensure access to the mailboxes for the mail carrier.
- * It is the responsibility of landowners to shovel out the hydrants located on their property so in time of need the Volunteer Fire Department personnel don't waste valuable time in locating and shoveling out the hydrant in an emergency.
- * It is the responsibility of the landowner not to place any obstacles in the streets to prevent the plows from plowing to street's edge (keep garbage cans in your driveway right-of-way).
- * For safety's sake, do not allow children to build and/or play in the banks at road's edge.

Winter Safety Tips

- * Make sure your vehicle is in good winter driving condition. Check your tires, battery and replace your windshield wipers if needed. Keep extra windshield fluid in the vehicle and have an ice scraper and snow shovel along with salt/sand on hand for emergencies.
 - * An emergency kit to carry in your vehicle is a good idea anytime, but is essential during winter months. Here are some suggestions of items to keep in it:
Jumper cables, flashlight with extra batteries, blankets, hand warmers, boots, hats, gloves, etc. It is also a good idea to keep bottled water and snack items such as soda crackers, granola bars, fruit snacks in the vehicle along with paper and pens.
 - * Please keep your driveway clear of snow and ice so emergency vehicles and fire and EMS personnel can get to you and your home. Also, keep your address numbers visible from either direction so the emergency personnel can locate your house quickly. Do not store any combustibles near your fireplace, furnace and hot water heater. Make sure your smoke detectors are in working order. When using a space heater, be sure to have the proper clearance all the way around the unit.
 - * As a final reminder, install a carbon monoxide detector in your home if you don't already have one. If you have one, please check it and replace the battery or the unit if necessary. Also, have your fireplace chimney cleaned and inspected annually along with your furnace.
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VILLAGE MEETINGS

All Village meetings are open to the public and we encourage you to attend. Meetings are held at the Village Hall, 129 W. Main Street, unless otherwise posted.

Village Board Meetings

1st and 3rd Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

Plan Commission Meetings

Last Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Park Board Meetings

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Zoning Board of Appeals Meetings

2nd Monday of each month as needed at 7:00 p.m.

Deadlines for submissions to be placed on an agenda can be obtained by calling the Village Hall.

Village Hall Office Hours

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Agendas & Village Information

Agendas for all public meetings and important information can be found at three convenient locations around the Village: the Village Hall, at the intersection of Caernarvon and Brandybrook Roads, and the Village bulletin board in Pick 'N Save on Highways 83 and 18.

PHONE NUMBERS:

Village Board Members:

President: Jeffery A. Flaws..... 968-4550
Trustees: (seats are at large)
David Lang 968-2432
Eugene Mayernick 968-4422
Lyle Orwig 968-2928
Ken Mace 968-4456
Wolfgang Hemschik.....968-2850
Tom Hardin968-9215

Fire Department:

Emergency 911
Non-Emergency 968-3301

Sheriff Department:

Emergency 911
Non-Emergency 446-5070

Post Office 968-3367
Village Hall 968-3968
Village Fax 968-5649
Veolia Waste Haulers..... 367-6040
County Supervisor
Peter Wolff 896-9891

Village Assessor 567-5999

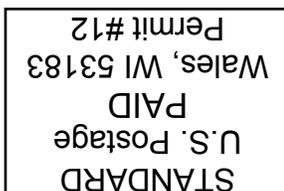
Building Inspector..... 968-6823

Village Rec Director
Steve Olson 262-370-7444

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