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New Municipal Building - Open House

The building project is almost complete! The anticipated completion for the new town hall/community center/ fire station is mid-December. Tax collections, elections, town board meetings and other civic group meetings in the new building will begin in January. If you are interested in renting the facilities, please go to our website or contact Jen Meyer at 715-878-4645 for more information.

> AN OPEN HOUSE WILL BE HELD IN THE SPRING. WATCH YOUR MAIL FOR A POSTCARD INVITATION!!!

### A Generous Community

The Town of Pleasant Valley is fortunate to be home to so many generous community members who are always willing to donate their time and talents.

The Cleghorn Lions Club is extremely generous to the community. The Lions work tirelessly to raise funds as well as volunteer their time. The Cleghorn Lions donate 40% of Harvest Fest profits directly to the park as well as other donations throughout the year to improve the park. Lion Roger Weiss recently received the prestigious Melvin Jones Founder Award for his humanitarian service. This award is given to a select few Lions who go above and beyond with their dedication and hard-work for the community in which they live.

The Town of Pleasant Valley Park Committee meets regularly throughout the year to help decide what improvements should be completed at the park. As donations are made to the Park, the committee decides how to use these funds. A generous donation from the Dorothy Linse family in 2015 assisted in funding a ramp into the Museum as well as benches to be placed in the park. Upcoming improvements to the park include curtains on the pavilion to help shelter occupants from the elements as well as a few planned landscaping projects.

The newly appointed Historical Committee has been charged with selectively accepting donations for our museum. Watch for Historical Committee member contact information on our website and in future newsletters if you have an item you wish to donate to the museum.

The Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley would like to thank all of our community members who generously donate their time to help make Pleasant Valley a great place to live.

# **Dog Licenses Required Annually**

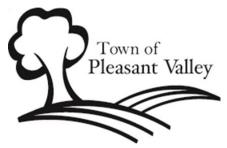
WI Statute 174.05 states the owner of any dog five months of age or older shall annually on or before the first day of January apply for a license from the Town Treasurer.

If you licensed your dog in 2015, in early December you will receive a postcard with your dog's information printed on it reminding you to license your dog in 2016. Current rabies information from your vet must be included with your application. If you did not receive a postcard, but own a dog, you can print an application

at <u>www.townofpleasantvalley.com</u> under forms and permits or contact the town office at (715)878-4645. Fines and court costs for keeping an unlicensed dog can approach \$275. Make sure your dog is licensed!

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Eau Claire County

### Snow Removal, Safety and Town Right-of-Way

'Tis the season of snow removal. WI Stat. 346.95(5) states that no person may place or cause to be placed upon any highway any substance that is or may be injurious to any vehicle. This includes piles of snow. Please do not place any snow from your driveway anywhere within the road right of way. For safety reasons, our plow drivers will issue warnings followed by citations if this is a problem on your property.

Please do not let children build tunnels or play on the snow plow piles left in the town right-of-ways. Our plow crews can be out anytime of the day or night clearing roads, widening roadways or cleaning cul-de-sacs. At times, the plow drivers have limited visibility and may not see your children. Children playing in or near the snowbanks can be seriously injured or killed.

Garbage cans continue to be a problem on our road right of ways. If it is your garbage day, make sure your garbage can and recycling bin are located on your property and off of the road right-of-way, which is typically 33 ft. from the center line. Placing your bins across the road from your driveway poses a hazard for traffic and makes the plowing efforts more difficult. Thank you for you cooperation with these matters.

### 2016 Property Tax Collections

#### Public Tax Collection Dates

Saturday, December 26, 1-3pm Monday, December 28, 4-6pm Friday, January 29, 4-6pm Saturday, January 30, 9-11am <u>Mail 1st payments to:</u> Jen Meyer, Clerk/Treasurer W165 Woodridge Dr Eau Claire, WI 54701

A receipt will be mailed back to you.

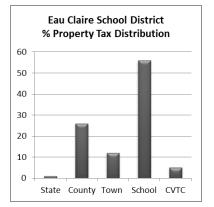
Public collections are located at the Town Hall, S10414 Cty HH/I in Cleghorn.

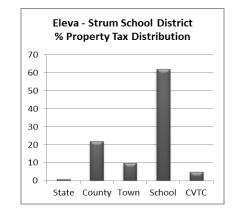
Checks, cashier checks and money orders are preferred. Cash is not recommended. Exact amounts only. The first payment is due by January 31st.

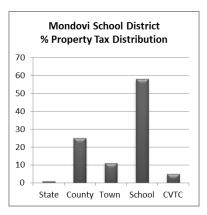
Checks payable to: Town of Pleasant Valley Credit cards are not accepted.

### How are my property taxes distributed?

The Town of Pleasant Valley has 3 different school districts that levy taxes onto the property owners, depending on where they reside in the town. Find your school district below to see what percentages of your property taxes are distributed to which unit of government.







### **BRING IT TO THE BALLOT - PHOTO ID REQUIRED**

Most Wisconsin voters will need to show an acceptable photo ID to vote. <u>It's the law</u>. The next scheduled primary if needed, will be February 16, 2016. There will be the Presidential Preference Primary and the Spring Election on April 5, 2016.

# <u>There is no special "Voter ID" card.</u> There are many forms of Photo ID, some of which you most likely already have, that can be used to vote.

If you are a registered voter you will need to show one of the following to receive a ballot:

-A Wisconsin DOT-issued driver license, even if driving privileges are revoked or suspended

-A Wisconsin DOT-issued identification card

-Military ID card issued by the U.S. Uniformed Services

-A U.S. passport book or card

#### The following photo IDs are also acceptable for voting purposes:

-A certification or naturalization (that has been issued no earlier than two years before the date of the election)

-An identification card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin

-A driver license receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days from the date issued)

-An identification card receipt issued by Wisconsin DOT (valid for 45 days from the date issued)

-A photo identification card issued by a Wisconsin accredited university, college, or technical college that contains the following: date the card was issued, signature of student and expiration date no later than two years after date of I ssuance. The university or college ID must be accompanied by a separate document that proves enrollment, such as a tuition fee receipt, enrollment verification letter, or class schedule.

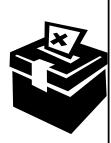
#### An acceptable Photo ID for voting <u>does not</u> have to include a current address.

If you are eligible to vote but do not have Wisconsin driver license or ID card, you may obtain a free ID for purposes of voting from the DMV. It is recommended you apply for the ID as soon as possible. You do not receive the ID immediately; it will be sent to you in the mail. Contact the Department of Motor Vehicles service center for more information on obtaining a free ID for voting. **Phone** (608) 264-7447 or on-line at <u>http://wisconsindot.gov</u>

### 2016 Election Dates

February 16th - Spring Primary April 5th- Spring Election and Presidential Preference Vote August 9 - Partisan Primary November 8 - General Election

Elections are held at the Town Hall/Fire Station in Cleghorn from 7am - 8pm. Address: S10414 Cty HH/I



# Fire Number Signs

For your own safety, please make sure your fire number signs are always visible to the roadway. Emergency personnel rely on these signs to expedite emergency services to you and your property. With heavy snowfall, it is easy for signs to become buried.

The Town of Pleasant Valley purchases the first fire number sign for each property. As the signs age, some are in need of replacement. If you would like your sign replaced, send a check for \$25 to the: Town of Pleasant Valley, W165 Woodridge Dr, Eau Claire, Wi 54701 with your address included. Payment must be received

NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 28th, 2015 and a new sign will be ordered and replaced for you in the spring.



Town of Pleasant Valley Jen Meyer, Clerk/Treasurer W165 Woodridge Dr Eau Claire, WI 54701

### RESIDENT

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### **Town Officials**

Dan Hanson, Chairman (715)878-4847 Dan Green, Supervisor (715)878-4476 Doug Nelson, Supervisor (715)878-4918

Jen Meyer, Clerk/Treasurer (715)878-4645 Dale Welke, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer (715)878-4169

Town Shop (715)878-9461 Burning Permits (715)834-6868 Burning Regulations: www.townshipfire.org

Town Board Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30pm in the Town Hall.

# <u>11th Annual Pleasant</u> <u>Valley 4-H Cookie Walk and</u> Craft Fair

Saturday, December 12 10am - 1pm Cleghorn Fire Station

Shop a variety of vendors! Buy Cookies by the Pound! Grab a hot lunch! Visit Mr and Mrs Claus!

# www.townofpleasantvalley.com

Visit our website and you will find all valuable information including: calendars, meeting agendas and minutes, facts, notices, forms and permits, frequently asked questions, budget information and more.

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