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A Message From Town Chairman, Dan Hanson

Holiday Greetings!

A year ago we relocated the old 1800's town hall to the park to preserve our *PAST*. We currently reside in a 1970's something town hall building facilitating our needs of the *PRESENT*. At a November 5th Special Electors meeting a vote was passed to proceed with a building project for our *FUTURE*. Each of these buildings has stood the test of time to symbolize our local town government, as will our new facility well into the future.

More than just wood, plaster, brick, and mortar, there were the names and faces that served from these town halls directing the Town of Pleasant Valley. These local residents guided the town through the early years of zoning, land use, housing, and road development. A few of the past town officials were Chairmen Charlie Schmidland, Rolland Bolinger, Lester Helwig 1957-65, Garth Ryder 1965 to 2001, Clerks Elmer Nelson 1955-69, Agnes Nelson 1969-73, Supervisors Richard Pederson 1973-83, Norm Hanson 1973-1979, Don Nelson 1979-1991, and Arnie Kriesel 1989-1995. Abraham Lincoln Said "I never had a policy; I have just tried to do my very best each and every day". The Town of Pleasant Valley was fortunate to have had such a dedicated group of people from the past serving and doing their best for our township.

I know I speak for the entire present board when I say it is a privilege to serve the Town of Pleasant Valley. Although we do not know what the future will bring for the town, do know that that the present Town board will take any challenge seriously and with a thoughtful decision making process.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Town of Pleasant Valley, don't hesitate to contact any of our board members.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Dan Hanson Chairman

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Snow Removal 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.

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, 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 your cooperation with this matter.

For your own safety,
please stay at least 200ft
behind any plow truck.
They cannot always see
you.

New Town Hall/Fire Station/Community Center

In 2011, the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley appointed a Building Feasibility Committee consisting of town residents to review the needs for a new or improved town hall/fire station. The current facilities are used by numerous community groups, town government and the fire department on a regular basis. The town and the fire department are rapidly outgrowing the current facility, which is also in need of structural and cosmetic improvements.

The Building Feasibility Committee hired a construction management firm and an architect firm to help guide them through the process. The committee along with the hired consultants held regular meetings which included input from community members and fire department representatives. By September 2013, preliminary plans were prepared for remodeling and adding on to the existing Town Hall/Fire Station. An Informational Meeting for Town residents was held on September 24, 2013.

The Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley held a Special Meeting of the Electors on November 5th. This meeting was published and posted according to WI State Statues and also posted on the Town web page. The eligible voters present were asked to vote either in favor of or oppose the proposed building project.

Of the 39 voters present, 38 were in favor of the project and 1 opposed the project. The town board will proceed with financing options this winter with construction scheduled to begin in the Spring of 2014.

Additional information regarding the project can be found at: http://www.townofpleasantvalley.com/new-town-hall-project

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 2013, in mid-December you will be receiving a beige or yellow postcard with your dog's information printed on it reminding you to license your dog in 2014. 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 www.townofpleasantvalley.com 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!

Fire Number Signs Visible

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.



Township Fire Dept

Thank you to all of the dedicated volunteers for their service to our community. Remember to always get a burning permit. (715)834-6868. Regulations can be viewed at www.townshipfire.org

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Property Tax Collections

Sometime in mid-December you should receive your 2013 tax bill. The first payment is due by January 31st.

Public Tax Collection Dates

Friday, December 27, 4-6pm Saturday, December 28, 9-11am Saturday, January 18, 9-11am Friday, January 24, 4-6pm Saturday, January 25, 9-11am 1st payments can be mailed to: Jen Meyer, Clerk/Treasurer W165 Woodridge Dr Eau Claire, WI 54701

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.

Checks payable to: Town of Pleasant Valley

Town Hall/Pavilion/Ball Field Rental

The Town Hall, Pavilion (with or without the kitchen) and the Ball field are available to rent for private parties, anniversaries, graduations, family reunions, softball tournaments etc. The Ball field has lights for evening games. Visit our website at www.townofpleasantvalley.com or contact Dan Hanson at (715)878-4847 to learn more about renting one of these facilities.

Rental fees are as follows:

Current Town Hall - \$75. Availability may be limited due to construction. Pavilion - \$75 Pavilion and Kitchen - \$150 Ball Field Tournament-Weekend \$400 -includes pavilion

9th Annual Pleasant Valley 4-H Cookie Walk and Craft Sale

Saturday, Dec 7th 10am-1pm at the Pleasant Valley Fire Station.

Buy Cookies by the pound!
Shop a variety of crafters and vendors for Christmas Shopping!
Visit with Mr. and Mrs. Claus!
Grab hot soup and a sandwich for lunch! Free Kids' craft activities! Doors close at 1pm.

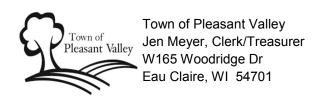
2014 Election Dates

February 18th - Spring Primary*
April 2nd - Spring Election
August 12th - Partisan Primary*
November 4 - General Election



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

*if needed



RESIDENT

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

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

Interesting Facts about the Town of Pleasant Valley

2013 est. population - 3114

Number of registered voters - 2399
65.91 road miles
54.2 square miles
2013 Approved Operating Budget \$706,518
Building Project Budget \$2,500,000

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