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ATV/UTV ROUTES

This past spring, the Town was approached by a newly formed ATV/UTV Club requesting the roads in Pleasant Valley be opened as ATV/UTV routes. The Town Board created an ordinance regulating ATV/UTV usage on town roads and entered into an agreement with the Big Creek ATV/UTV Club. A public hearing was held prior to approval of said ordinance and agreement.

Although all town roads are eligible to be opened, not all town roads will be opened. The Town Board will assess each application based on the health, safety and welfare of the general public with careful consideration to public dangers, public health, liabilities aspects, terrain involved, traffic densities and history of automobile usage. The Town Board can only approve Town roads. Any County road needs to be approved by the Eau Claire County Highway Commissioner. Once a road is approved by the Town as a route, it is not officially opened until all ATV/UTV route signs have been installed by the Club.

If you are interested in having your road opened as an ATV/UTV route, please contact Kevin Myren, Big Creek ATV/UTV Club vice-president at 715-559-7359.

Current approved routes, maps, ordinances, route applications, and club agreements can be viewed at http://www.townofpleasantvalley.com/atv-utv-routes/

Road Construction Projects and Funding Statistics

According to a recent statewide survey conducted by the Wisconsin Towns Association:

-Towns have a majority of the roads in Wisconsin and 73% of existing pavement needs expensive maintenance or reconstruction. -Statewide, the current average schedule of road crack filling is every 16.1 years, sealing is every 31.4 years, overlay is every 62.9 years and total reconstruction is every 370.8 years. The most efficient schedule would be every 3 years for crack filling, every 5-7 years for sealing, every 20-35 years for overlay and every 40-70 years for total reconstruction.

-Each year the Town of Pleasant Valley is able to budget around \$90,000 for annual road construction projects.

-The State of Wisconsin provides Towns with \$2202 per mile of road funding.

-A number of years ago, the State of Wisconsin froze levy limits, which limits how much the town can raise taxes without a referendum. The Town levy limit is increased approximately 1% each year due to net new construction.

With these limited funds and the ever deteriorating roads, the Board tries to stretch the budgeted funds as far as possible. Every other year, the Town Board conducts a road review which consists of driving all 66.23 miles of town roads and rating them on a scale of 1-10. This rating helps determine which roads have the most urgent needs for maintenance, repair or replacement. Mother Nature also plays a large part in which roads need the most maintenance and even when the Town Board creates a 5 year plan, sometimes Mother Nature alters the best laid maintenance schedules.

This year, the Town will be chip sealing 2.93 miles of Lowes Creek Road, crack filling portions of Hillview Road, and reconstructing Franson and Johnson Roads, leaving them with new base, improved ditches and an unfinished surface.

Financially Towns struggle to maintain existing 20th century roads to satisfy the demands of 21st century usage.

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Township Fire Department

Pleasant Valley Firefighters will be selling the 2018 Raffle Calendar at this year's Cleghorn Harvest Fest. This calendar is blazin' with prize winning opportunities and fire department photography. Cash prizes include "\$50 Fridays" and \$75 on fire station meeting nights 12 times a year. Non-cash prizes include flamin' donations from

over 20 area merchants from automotive to furnace cleaning to recreation to restaurants and much in between. Over \$4,500 in prizes available for you to WIN, WIN, WIN! The following sizzling calendar sponsors/advertisers have teamed up us to make this fundraiser a reality: WS Darley, Johnson Litho Graphics, Northwest Enterprises, Heavy Duty Components, Froseth Enterprises, Mid-States Trucks, Water Source Heating & Cooling, Scott Construction, Irra-Gator, Kjelstad Plumbing, The Corner Store, American Express, Premium Lawn Service, Osseo Auto, DCR Lawn Services, Serenity Massage, and the Cleghorn Lions.

The Pleasant Valley Fire Department would like to thank all of the Township Residents that generously donated to their 2017 Fund Drive. They raised over \$12,000 that will be used to purchase a Grain Bin/Trench Rescue System this Fall. The system will allow them to greatly improve the safety and efficiency of rescuing someone from entrapment.

Thank you for your support. We will be serving pancakes Sunday morning of Harvest Fest. See you then!

Remember to get a burning permit before you do any outside burning. Contact TFD at 715-834-6868 to obtain a permit. Visit our website at <u>www.townshipfire.org</u> to view all burning policies. Permits are now available online when conditions are acceptable.

Interested in becoming a member of Township Fire Department? We are always looking for more volunteers to round out our team. Contact Mark Behlke at 715-577-7404 for more information.

Maintenance of Road Right of Way

Each summer the town road employees mow the road right-of-ways to help keep the roads safe and clear of visual obstructions. Trimming of trees is also part of this right-of-way maintenance. Trimming and mowing occurs on all town roads including subdivisions and cul-de-sacs. The road right-of-way is town property and is measured 33 feet from the center line of the road. Please note that the right-of-way needs to stay clear of all landscaping objects, shrubs, sprinkler heads etc. to avoid any damage by the mowers or plow trucks.

Eau Claire County Personal Medication Lockbox Program

Safe use. Safe Storage. Safe Disposal.

Did you know that 70% of people abusing prescription painkillers get them through friends or relatives? Make sure you're keeping your prescriptions out of sight and locked up.

The Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition and the Eau Claire City-County Health Department have teamed up to distribute personal medication lockboxes for FREE to anyone in Eau Claire County who wants to lock their medications at home.

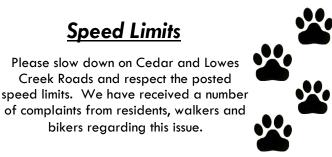
> If you would like one, please contact: Carleigh Olson, Health Educator Carleigh.Olson@co.eau-claire.wi.us 715-839-4725

Speed Limits

Please slow down on Cedar and Lowes

Creek Roads and respect the posted

bikers regarding this issue.







The Eau Claire County Humane Association enforces our animal ordinance. If you have a complaint about animals running at large, biting, being inhumanely treated or uncontrolled noise please contact the Eau Claire County Communication Center at 715-839-4972

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

Burning Permits

Burning permits can now be applied for online at http://townshipfire.org/permits/

Burning regulations are also available at the above webpage.

Facility Rentals

The Community Center and the Park Pavilion/Kitchen are available to rent. Rental rates are reduced for town residents. Please visit our webpage for more information regarding availability and rental rules and regulations.

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Visit our updated website to find valuable information including: calendar of events, meeting agendas and minutes, voter information, notices, forms and permits, frequently asked questions, budget information and more.