

# *Town of Nepeuskun—Winnebago County, Wisconsin*

## **Dates To Remember**

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**Town Website:** Visit [www.townofnepeuskun.org](http://www.townofnepeuskun.org) The website has zoning ordinances, permits, Town Board & Plan Commission meeting minutes & agendas, land use ordinances, history, and much more. Check it out!

**Rush Lake Project** – The most recent meeting of Rush Lake Watershed Restoration, Inc. was held January 17, 2013. Modifications to the carp barriers at both the Waukau carp pond area and at the Rush Lake dam have been completed. “Swamp Devil” dredging in the area of the North landing will be considered during 2013. The procedure for changing the official water levels on Rush Lake will be investigated. Ken Merk, a charter member of the Board of Directors has decided to retire. He will be replaced by Brett Helmbrecht. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., at the Waukau Youth Center. Please contact the Rush Lake Watershed Restoration, Inc. Directors from the Town of Nepeuskun for more information and upcoming meeting dates: Brett Helmbrecht, Bob LaBuda and Ron Bahn. A new website has been designed - <http://www.rushlakewi.com>.

**THANK YOU!!**

**Farmland Preservation Program** – The State of Wisconsin (DATCP) has certified Nepeuskun’s zoning ordinance and related maps. Landowners who had their parcels mapped probably have already contacted the Winnebago County Land and Water Conservation Dept. Those who have not, may be receiving a phone call. Those who did not meet the performance standards for 2012 should get started **now** so that you will be in compliance for 2013 if you desire the tax credit.

### **VOTE - VOTE – VOTE**

**Tuesday, April 2, 2013, is Spring Election Day! The ballot will include State Superintendent of Public Instruction, State Supreme Court Justice, Court of Appeals Judge – District 2, County Executive, Nepeuskun offices of Chairperson, Supervisor 1, Supervisor 2, Clerk, Treasurer, and Constable, Berlin Area – Omro – Ripon Area School Board Members.** Voter registration will be required for anyone not previously registered within the Town of Nepeuskun. You must be a resident of the Town for 28 days before an election. Additional information can be found at <http://gab.wi.gov>. **Polls at the Town Hall will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

### **GARBAGE PICKUP**

Private garbage pickup is available in the Town. You may contact Jon Schure for more info at 920-361-2970.

**2013 ANNUAL MEETING** – The Annual Meeting for the Town of Nepeuskun will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, at the Town Hall, 1475 County Rd E, at 7:00 p.m. The agenda will contain approval of minutes from the 2012 Annual Meeting, presentation and review of the 2012 Annual Report (Financial Statement) for the Town, and followed by any statutory or advisory matters as desired by the electors present. **Please plan to attend!**

**BUILDING, REMODELING, OR ADDING ON** - A zoning permit is required for all building, remodeling, or additions if the total cost of construction (labor and materials) exceeds \$2,000 with two exceptions: signs and roof replacement. All signs require the land owner to present a site plan and obtain a zoning permit. Replacement of a roof surface (no structural change) does not require a zoning permit. If the roof design changes, a zoning permit is required. Zoning permits are required as described above and are issued by the Town of Nepeuskun Zoning Administrator, Jerry Trochinski ([Trochinski@gmail.com](mailto:Trochinski@gmail.com) or 920-216-5717). Cost of a permit is \$75 for construction under \$40,000 and \$100 for construction more than \$40,000. Any construction or remodeling over \$40,000 also requires a site plan approval by the Town of Nepeuskun Plan Commission. New home construction requires additional permits. Construction in an area designated as Shoreland may require a county permit in

addition to the town zoning permit. If you are planning construction be sure to contact the Town of Nepeuskun Zoning Administrator for assistance in determining required permits. Please allow at least 60 days for buildings over \$40,000 and at least 90 days for a new home to secure the necessary permits.

**RECYCLING UPDATE** - Congratulations to everyone in the Town on your recycling efforts for 2012! We have again exceeded the standard that the State says we need to meet. The standard is 82.40 pounds per capita and our actual was 101.8 pounds per capita. **LET'S KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK !!!**

**STRAY ANIMALS** - If you are bothered by stray animals, you should contact the Town Constable – Richard Fernau at 920-748-9427 or 920-585-8456. If you know the owner of the animal, a friendly call to the owner may be more effective and preserve a good relationship with your neighbor. The fine from the Winnebago County Sheriff's Dept. is over \$200 for a stray dog. Please be sure to get your dogs licensed - **IT IS THE LAW** - which will require a rabies vaccination.

**FIRE DEPT NEWS** - Our Ripon Area Fire District has hired a new Chief. His name is Tim Saul and he comes to us from Lisle, IL, with over 25 years of experience in EMS and fire protection. He was sworn in on Feb. 25th. Remember - if you are starting a controlled fire, the phone number to call is **920-236-7300**. The Berlin or Ripon fire departments will then be notified.

**4-H NEWS** - Lakeshore 4-H is now looking for new members. It is a lot of fun and a good way to meet kids in our township. We plan fun outings throughout the year and now are getting projects ready for the Winnebago Co. Fair, held in August. In March, we will be doing a bowling party. We are planning to make and put up 2 more barn quilts this summer in our township. We feel it is a good way to teach the youth to be a part of the community and will be something to notice for years to come. We are planning our annual Father's Day Ice Crème Social for June; we hope to see a lot of the residents from our township come and support our fundraiser and to meet your neighbors, so mark your calendars. We meet on the first Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. at the Nepeuskun Town Hall. If interested in joining 4-H contact Kathy Wunrow at 920-361-3784.

## **Thank You – Ken Merk for your service on the Rush Lake Watershed Restoration, Inc. Board of Directors!**

**EUREKA BRIDGE CLOSING** – Informational meeting to be held at the Rushford Town Hall (1/2 mile north of Eureka on County Hwy K), on Tuesday, March 26, at 6:00 p.m.

**SPRING ELECTION** – Tuesday, April 2, 2013, at the Town Hall – Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**ANNUAL MEETING** – Tuesday, April 16, 2013, at the Town Hall – 7:00 p.m.

**RUSH LAKE PROJECT MEETING** – Thursday, April 18, 2013, at the Waukau Youth Center -- 7:00 p.m.

**OPEN BOOK** – Saturday, May 4, 2013, at the Town Hall – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**BOARD OF REVIEW** – Saturday, May 18, 2013, at the Town Hall – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**RECYCLING** - Every Third Saturday of the Month at the Town Hall, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS** - Every Third Monday of the Month at the Town Hall 7:00 p.m.

**REGULAR MONTHLY PLAN COMMISSION MEETINGS** - Usually Every 1st Monday of the Month at the Town Hall 7:00 p.m.

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