

# Town of Rutland

## Town Chairman Update

*2017 was another busy year for the Town of Rutland. Road maintenance continues to be our focus. We replaced all the roads in Ol Stone Estates this summer, overdue work with a LOT of driveway cuts! We've started on some of the planned work for 2018, replacing culverts on Old Stage road to prepare for rebuilding next year. We purchased a new pickup truck and snow blade which will help our patrolmen keep intersections clean.*

*For our Fire and EMS services, we completed a new services contract with Brooklyn Fire and EMS after a very contentious year long debate. We approved funding for Oregon and Stoughton Fire and EMS, including some new equipment for the former. Our support for the local senior centers and services in Oregon and Stoughton continues, helping our seniors.*

*Several issues kept debates lively in the Town. The proposal to make our Clerk an appointed position lost in the election as residents raised concerns about being able to choose their clerk directly. A newly opened quarry led us to adopt an ordinance prohibiting the use of air brakes to try and reduce the impact on our residents. Some new commercial zoning on the Oregon side of the Town will hopefully lead to commercial development to improve the Town's tax base. And development at Kettle West, on the Stoughton side continues; our primary concern is limiting the development's impact on our residents.*

*We have several volunteer opportunities for interested residents. Please express interest in the Town's Planning Commission, a Building Committee to consider our office, meeting and storage space needs, and finally, residents to serve as election workers. Our Fire and EMS services in Oregon, Brooklyn and Stoughton are always looking for volunteers to serve! Please email Dawn or me to express interest in these positions.*

*We're going to build a long-term view of the Town's capital spending plans, helping guide us as we determine what is most important and determining the best way to keep our finances strong and stable. It's also time to update our Comprehensive Land Use plan, 2018 is going to be busy!*

*If you haven't, please sign up for the Town email list, the link is on the Town's website. I hope to develop a way to push notices to residents, helping to keep you informed and aware.*

*I encourage you to engage with your Town Supervisors, Clerk and Treasurer. We represent all Town residents and getting your input on issues is critical.*

*Wishing you and yours the very best in 2018,*

*Mark Porter*

## Town Board Members

Mark Porter-Chairman      608-345-7510  
[chair@town.rutland.wi.us](mailto:chair@town.rutland.wi.us)

Jim Lunde-Supervisor      608-873-9726

Dave Grueneberg-Supervisor      608-513-2278

Nancy Nedveck-Supervisor      608-873-8329

Dawn George-Clerk      608-455-3925  
[clerk@town.rutland.wi.us](mailto:clerk@town.rutland.wi.us)

Kim Sime-Treasurer      608-873-8781  
[treasurer@town.rutland.wi.us](mailto:treasurer@town.rutland.wi.us)



## Planning Commission

Mark Porter      608-345-7510

Jim Lunde      608-873-9726

Bruce Sime      608-873-8781

Dale Arndt      608-692-6392

Nancy Nedveck      608-873-8329

### Constable

Shawn Hillestad      608-575-8899

Nels Wethal      608-577-5691

### Building Inspector

Steve Kittleson      608-445-9715

### Assessor

Gardiner Appraisal      608-943-8009

### Road Patrolmen

Nels Wethal      608-577-5691

Dennis Wendt      608-577-5692

## Meetings

**The  
Town Board meets  
the first Tuesday of  
each month @  
6:30pm, unless  
otherwise noted.**

**The  
Planning Commission  
meets the first  
Monday of each  
month @ 6:30pm,  
unless otherwise  
noted.**

## Collection & Recycle Center

The Collection & Recycle Center is available for Town of Rutland residents. You must have a permit to use the Center. Permits are available at the Center from the attendants during normal hours.

The Center is for Residential Waste only- not for Construction site waste. Recyclables are to be separated from trash when bringing to the Center. Please be respectful of the rules of the Center when dropping off trash and recyclables. There is also a burn pile at the Center. This is for brush and unpainted/untreated wood only. You may purchase a punch card at the Center. This makes your weekly stops a bit quicker.

The Collection and Recycle Center is located at 4232 Cty A.

Hours are Saturdays 8 am to 4 pm.

Please allow enough time to complete the drop off before 4 pm.

## General Tax Information

Enclosed are your 2017 Real Estate and/or Personal property Tax Statements.

**Lottery Credit** is available for your primary residence.

**Escrow Payments** are your responsibility to verify payment. No receipt is sent unless requested.

**Request your escrow check for exact amount to avoid overpayments.**

No Refund issued if less than \$2.

Overpayments are issued once in January and in February.

\*\*I will verify any Tax or Escrow payment has been received via email.

Please email request. treasurer@town.rutland.wi.us.

Receipts will be mailed upon request.

Please include a Self-Addressed, Stamped envelope with request.

--There is a \$30 NSF fee for all returned checks.

### To Avoid Delay in Payments.....

--Please mail early enough to arrive before deadline.

**--Make sure check is written out properly; date, correct amount and signed.**

### Postmark not accepted for December 31<sup>st</sup> payments

Payments are credited when received, not by date on check.

## 2018 Elections

**Spring Primary- (If necessary)**  
February 20, 2018

**Spring Election-**  
April 3, 2018

**Partisan Primary**  
August 14, 2018

**General Election**  
November 6, 2018

## Tax Payment Information

### In Person at Town Hall....

785 Center Rd

**Dec 22- Friday 10am-2pm**

**Dec 26- Tuesday 10am-2pm**

**Dec 29- Friday 10am-4pm**

**No Saturday hours**

**2018**

**January 26- Friday 2pm-4pm**

**January 30- Tuesday 10am-2pm**

**January 31-Wednesday Noon-4pm**

### By Mail

Make checks payable to **Town of Rutland.**

Mail to **1192 Starr School Rd Stoughton, WI 53589**

Enclose Self-Addressed, Stamped Envelope if you would like a receipt mailed back to you.

**Payment by Mail is encouraged.**

### Drop Box

There is a locked drop box clearly marked Town of Rutland at the end of my driveway at 1192 Starr School Rd.

**Please do not put Tax Payments in US Mailbox.**

### Town Officers Terms that are expiring in 2018;

2 Supervisor seats

The candidates for the open seats will be nominated at the Caucus to be held in January, 2018 at 6:30 pm. Caucus date will be set at December Board Meeting. Date will be on website.

For absentee ballot, please contact the Clerk. Written requests should be mailed to Clerk @ 4177 Old Stage Rd, Brooklyn, WI 53521.

You must be a registered voter before an absentee ballot can be obtained.

**CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS-----Online only.**

[www.town.rutland.wi.us](http://www.town.rutland.wi.us) **\*\*Fees will apply\*\***

**NO TAX PAYMENTS COLLECTED IN MY HOME**

## Dog License

Dog licenses need to be purchased before April 30, 2018. Late fee will apply after April 30<sup>th</sup> of double the normal fees.

Please send the following items:

- Application card-Contact Kim if you didn't receive card.
- The rabies certificate from Vet showing rabies shots are up to date.
- Check for Fee-Please do not add into Tax Payment check.
- Self-addressed, stamped envelope.

### 2018 Fees

Male or Female \$20 - Neutered or Spayed \$15 - Kennel of 12 or less \$100

**WISCONSIN NOW  
REQUIRES A  
PHOTO ID TO  
VOTE... LEARN  
MORE AT  
[HTTP://BRINGIT.  
WISCONSIN.GOV/](http://BRINGIT.WISCONSIN.GOV/)**

For more information on  
Town Topics, please  
visit the Website  
[www.town.rutland.wi.us](http://www.town.rutland.wi.us)

**Fire Departments  
Non-Emergency**

Oregon  
608-835-5587

Stoughton  
608-873-7218

Brooklyn  
608-455-3812  
[brooklynfireems.org](http://brooklynfireems.org)

**Call for Burning Permits**

\*\*\*\*\*

**Dane Co Sheriff  
Non-Emergency  
608-255-2345**

**Rutland Church rental  
or cemetery plot  
purchase**

Please contact.....

Dawn George,  
Rutland Town Clerk  
608-455-3925

[clerk@town.rutland.wi.us](mailto:clerk@town.rutland.wi.us)

**See also:  
[www.rutlandchurch.org](http://www.rutlandchurch.org)**

## Senior Centers

Town of Rutland Senior Citizens may use either the Stoughton or Oregon Senior Center facilities.

The McFarland case worker is available to meet with seniors at the Stoughton Senior Center. Meals on Wheels service is also offered to those interested or in need.

**Outreach services**

McFarland Senior Center will provide services for the Stoughton area residents

Oregon Senior Center will provide services for the Oregon area residents.

**Oregon Sr. Center 608-835-5801 - Stoughton Sr. Center 608-873-8585**  
**McFarland Sr. Center 608-838-7117**

Please call one of the Senior Centers for more information on their services and how they are available to help those in need.

More information on Town of Rutland website

## Rutland Center Church and Cemetery Committee

### Annual Report--December 2017

**Historic Church available for weddings, funerals, recitals, and meetings**

After twelve years of work, the Rutland Center Church is now complete and available for community gatherings and programs. Thanks again to the individuals, groups, and grant-giving organizations that made renovation of the building possible without the use of taxpayer support. While the building is now restored to better than its original condition, occasional maintenance will be required over the coming years.

The Rutland Center Church offers an intimate setting for significant family gatherings as well as a comfortable venue for group meetings of all kinds. The building will accommodate up to one hundred people and is available for all but the coldest months of the year. Its use is not limited to the Town of Rutland Residents.

-----  
**Friends of the Rutland Center Church and Cemetery Membership Form**

Yes, I'd like to join or rejoin the Friends of the Rutland Center Church and Cemetery and contribute \$25 or more to the Church and Cemetery Fund. I understand this money may be used for the continued maintenance of the church, landscaping projects, or the design and construction of a future out building on the grounds.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check out to the Town of Rutland and put "Rutland Church" in the memo portion. Mail to:

Dawn George, Clerk, Town of Rutland, 4177 Old Stage Rd. Brooklyn, WI 53521