

# **TOWN OF RUTLAND-----2019**

## **2020 Tax Levy**

The 2020 Tax Levy was approved on November 14, 2019 by the Town Residents at the annual Town Budget meeting which is held for that purpose. The 2020 tax levy amount is \$743,874 on an overall Town of Rutland assessed value of \$249,946,100. This computes to a Mill Rate of \$2.976 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

This means that a property owner with \$300,000 of assessed value will pay \$892.80 of taxes to the Town. By way of comparison, the 2019 tax levy Mill Rate was \$2.969 and a property owner with \$300,000 of assessed value paid \$890.70 of taxes to the Town.

## **2020 Budget**

The Town Board approved the year 2020 budget on November 14, 2019. The budget includes a record \$595,000 of spending for road repair, road rebuilding, chip sealing and paving. This level of spending will allow the Town to address several key areas in one year.

Long term planning is also included in the 2020 budget. For example, reserve accounts are funded, election systems are being upgraded and new road crew and fire protection equipment is being acquired.

The Town of Rutland continues to be a partner in the three fire and EMS districts that serve our residents (Brooklyn, Oregon and Stoughton) and the Town continues to be a partner in the operations of the Oregon Senior Center.

If you have thoughts, ideas, comments or questions about future budgets, please contact any Town Board Member. The 2021 and 2022 Budgets will include more road repairs and an eventual decision as to the upgrade or replacement for the Town Hall.

## **Your Voices**

2019 was a very good year for the Town of Rutland and witnessed lively meetings, good ideas, new construction, new businesses, establishment of a Website Committee and the addition of high-speed internet options.

The Town Board is excited about what 2020 will bring. A record level of spending on roads. Continued efforts to expand high-speed internet. New equipment. A renewed effort to upgrade or replace the town hall.

## **Your Town Board**

Board Member contact info on Town of Rutland website. [www.town.rutland.wi.us](http://www.town.rutland.wi.us)

Also on page 2 of this newsletter.

All Board Members welcome your calls, your emails and your communications.

We are dedicated to getting things done.

## Town Board Members

Pete Loughrin-Chairman 608-444-9022  
[chair@town.rutland.wi.us](mailto:chair@town.rutland.wi.us)

Dave Grueneberg-Supervisor 608-513-2278  
[supervisorb@town.rutland.wi.us](mailto:supervisorb@town.rutland.wi.us)

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[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)

Please call or email Chairman or Supervisors with any questions or concerns.

### 2020 Elections

**Spring Primary**-February 18, 2020

**Presidential Preference Primary and Spring Election**-April 7, 2020

**Partisan Primary**-August 11, 2020

**General Election (Presidential)**-  
November 3, 2020

**Town Officer** Terms that are expiring-  
2 Supervisors Seats

The candidates for the open seats will be nominated at the Caucus to be held in January. Caucus date will be set at December Board meeting. Date will be posted on Website.

**Contact Clerk for info on Absentee Ballots.**

### Fire Departments Non Emergency

Oregon 608-835-5587  
Stoughton 608-873-7218  
Brooklyn 608-455-3812

### Dane Co Sheriff Non Emergency

608-255-2345

## Planning Commission

Pete Loughrin 608-444-9022  
Bruce Sime 608-873-8781  
Dale Arndt 608-692-6392  
Nancy Nedveck 608-873-8329  
Travis Leeser 608-379-0132

### Road Patrolmen

Nels Wethal 608-577-5691  
Dennis Wendt 608-577-5692  
Please call either of the Road Patrolmen with any road issues/concerns. Leave a message if no answer.

### Constable

Shawn Hillestad 608-575-8899  
Nels Wethal 608-577-5691

### Building Inspector

Steve Kittleson 608-445-9715

### Assessor

Gardiner Appraisal 608-943-8009

### Meetings

**Town Board** meets first Tuesday of each Month @ 6:30PM, unless otherwise posted.

**Planning Commission** meets the first Monday of the Month @ 6:30PM, unless otherwise posted.

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

### Please remember-

- \*\*\* Keep your Fire number visible for First Responders
- \*\*\* Place your private garbage containers in your own driveway, NOT on roads.
- \*\*\* Your votes in elections are important

## **General Tax Information**

Enclosed are your 2019 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.

**Please Sign your Escrow checks if made out to you and the Town or they will be returned for signature.**

\*\*I will verify any Tax or Escrow payment received via email request.  
treasurer@town.rutland.wi.us.

Receipts will be mailed upon request. Please include a Self-Addressed, Stamped envelope with request.

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

**--Please mail early enough to arrive before deadline. US Mail can be slow.**

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

**--December payments must be paid in December. Postmark not accepted.**

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

No Refund issued if less than \$2.  
Overpayments are issued once in January and in February.

\$30 NSF Fee on Returned Checks

Credit Card Payment option on website.

Questions??.....email is best way to contact Kim. treasurer@town.rutland.town.wi.us

## **Tax Payment Information**

### **In Person at Town Hall**

December 20 Friday--10am-2pm

December 27 Friday--1pm-4pm

December 30 Monday--10am-4pm

### **2020**

January 24 Friday--1pm-4pm

January 30 Thursday--10am-2pm

\*\*Inclement weather could result in Kim not being at Town Hall on these dates.

### **Payments by mail are encouraged.**

Please mail early for timely delivery.

Enclose Self Addressed Stamped Envelope if you would like a receipt.

**Drop Box** is located at the end of

Treasurer's driveway. Clearly marked

"Town of Rutland". Please do not put Tax payments in US Mailbox.

Rutland Treasurer

1192 Starr School Rd

Stoughton WI 53589

### **Dog License Information**

Dog Licenses need to be purchased by April 30, 2020 to avoid late fees.

### **Please send the following-**

-Application card (if you have one) completed with owner & dog info.

-The Vet certificate showing current rabies info.

-Check for fee.. PLEASE DO NOT ADD INTO TAX PAYMENT CHECK.

-Self-addressed stamped envelope for license to be mailed back to you.

### **2020 Fees**

Neutered/Spayed \$15

Male/Female \$20      Kennel \$100

## Collection and Recycle Center

The Collection & Recycle Center is available for Town of Rutland residents. 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.

**No plastic bags in the recycle bin. Plastic bags are not recyclable.**

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.**  
**\*\*PLEASE RECYCLE CLEAN....visit [advanceddisposal.com](http://advanceddisposal.com) for Recycle Tips\*\***

## Senior Center

Town of Rutland Senior Citizens may use either the Stoughton or Oregon Senior Center facilities. Meals on Wheels service is also offered to those interested or in need.

### **Outreach services....**

Oregon Senior Center will provide services for the Town of Rutland residents.

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

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

## Historical Rutland Center Church Building

The Historical Rutland Center Church Building 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.

The Historical Building is in need of painting, a new roof and minor upkeep. And of course, volunteers are always welcome to help with anything that needs to be done.

Supporters of the Historical Rutland Center Church Building would like to host a "Social Gathering" at the Historical Building in 2020. Please watch for details on the Town website.

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## **Support the Historical Rutland Center Church Building**

Yes, I'd like to support the Historical Rutland Center Church Building. I understand this money may be used for the continued maintenance of the Historical Building, landscaping projects, or the design and construction of a future out building on the grounds.

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

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

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

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

Check payable: Town of Rutland and put "Friends of Rutland Church" in the memo portion.

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