

VILLAGE OF IOLA RESIDENTS

1st quarter 2022 Iola Utilities Newsletter

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COMINGS AND GOINGS: After 27 years of serving the Iola Village Library, as the Children's Director, Lisa Bauer has retired. She will be greatly missed by patrons and employees. The Village Board and employees would like to wish her the very best of luck on her retirement. The Iola Village Board of Trustees would also like to send a huge thank you to Terry Murphy. He did not run for re-election this year, which ended his 20 years of service to the Village of Iola. Thank you, Terry, for your service.

Welcome aboard: Larry Flowers, to the Zoning Committee, Mark McCoy to the Iola Village Board of Trustees, Amber Grawvunder the new Library Assistant; Shannon Dane, the new Children's Librarian.

A SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE WAUPACA COUNTY RECYCLING CENTER: When you are recycling plastic bottles, please remove the caps and dispose of them in the garbage. Caps are not recyclable and plug up the plastic bailing machine. Thank you for your cooperation.

CREDIT CARDS-UTILITY BILLS: Now accepting Credit Card payments for utility bills at the Village Clerk's Office. Also, you can now go to the Village of Iola website: <https://www.villageofiola.com> and select the online payment option.

WALKING DOGS: If you are walking your dogs on village streets and sidewalks, please remember to pick up any mess your dog leaves.

BUILDING PERMITS: If you are planning on making home improvements, please check with the Village of Iola Building Inspector, Bob Viste, to see if you need a building permit for your project. Bob can be contacted at (715) 281-4963.

CAMPFIRE PERMITS: Just a reminder, campfire permits are required in the Village of Iola. These can be obtained from the Iola Fire Department, 350 West Iola St., Iola, WI 54945. Call first at (715) 445-2515.

DOG LICENSE: If you own a dog in the Village of Iola it needs to be registered in Waupaca County. License can be obtained at the Village Clerk's Office in Iola. For spayed & neutered dogs the cost is \$3.00; for dogs that are not spayed or neutered the cost is \$8.00. After You will need a copy of your dog's rabies vaccination certificate when you purchase your tags.

LIBRARY HOURS are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday hours are from 9 a.m. to noon until May 21. After May 21st, the library will be closed Saturdays until fall. Preschool Story Time is offered on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. through April 27th. Stop in for great stories, crafts, and fun. This summer the library will be offering its Summer Library Reading Program again, from June 13 through August 5th. The theme this year is “Oceans of Possibilities” and sign up begins in June. We will be kicking off the program with David Stokes “The Unhuggable/Animals with Bad Reputations” animal meet and greet, on June 14th at 6:30 p.m. From June 13 through August 5th, there will be preschool story times on Wednesdays at 10 a.m., family movies on Wednesdays at 1 p.m., and STEAM activities for children 8 and up on Thursdays at 1 p.m. We are still booking other events, so if you’d like to present a program, please let us know! Call the library at 715-445-4330 with any questions.

IOLA CITY WIDE RUMMAGE SALE: May 19-21, 2022. To sign up, go to the Iola Village Library to pick up a form or go to www.iolarummagesale.com the cost is \$10.00. This includes a spot on the area wide Rummage Sale Map. Deadline for signing up is Monday May 9th.

DOG PARK: The Village is moving forward with the construction of the Iola Village Dog Park. There are many ways you can support this new project: first you can donate to the dog park (see sponsorship form attached), second you can purchase a raffle ticket for \$20; drawings will be everyday for the month of July with daily cash prize of \$300 and Sunday cash prize of \$500. You can stop at the Village Clerk’s office to purchase your tickets or look for local businesses selling them or you can volunteer to help at the dog park.

FOOD PANTRY: If you need help during these trying times, the Iola Food Pantry is available to help. You can contact Sharon Peterson at 715.445.3394 for help or if you wish to donate to the food pantry, please contact her as well.

LAWNS: The Village of Iola has an ordinance regarding length of lawns that exceeds eight inches in length, it is declared a public nuisance §94-3(B), except for properties located in a designated floodplain area and/or wetland area or where the lawn, grass or weed is part of a natural lawn approved pursuant to §94-2. This serves as a public notice that any lawns above eight inches in the Village of Iola that do not fit any of the above exceptions, the Village of Iola will contact the owner once. If the lawn(s) are not mowed within 24 hours, the lawn(s) will be mowed by the Village at the property owner(s) expense. If you wish to receive a copy of the complete ordinance, email: iolawi@tds.net or stop in at the Village Clerks’ office.

PROPERTY TAXES: If you have questions regarding your property taxes, stop in and speak with the Village Assessor. Open Book will be April 26th, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Board of Review will be held on May 3rd, 2022, from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Both will be at the Iola Community Center 180 S. Main St. location: Senior Center with the Village of Iola Assessor, Bazile Assessment Services.

DEBRIS PILES: on Town Line Road and Grove Street. Please remember when dumping your debris at those locations that you dump on the appropriate pile for what you are bringing into those areas. If you do not see a pile for what you are bringing that means that it should not be left there or if you have a question about what you want to haul to the piles, please call. Non-residents of the Village of Iola should **NOT** be dumping on those piles unless authorized by the village. If you see violators, please contact the police department or Village Clerk's Office with the license plate or name of the person that is not authorized to be dumping. These sites are funded by Village tax money and are set up as a courtesy to Village taxpayers. If you have questions concerning these piles, feel free to call the clerk's office at 715.445.2913.

GARBAGE DISPOSAL: Please watch for upcoming information within next couple garbage pickup.

Currently if you are in need of a place to dispose of your garage here are a few options for you: If you want to haul it to our recycling center you can purchase a sheet of five tags for \$15.00, then the garbage can be dropped off at the recycle facility in Iola, tags can be purchased at the CENEX Stations, Iola Sentry Foods, Village Clerks office or Recycling Center or Waupaca County PTF (715) 258-6249. Home pick up options are: Harter (800) 804-8556, GFL (formally Graichen) (920) 982-4116, Advanced Disposal (800) 262-3101, or Waste Management (check online for contact information).

RECYCLING CENTER HOURS: Thursday's 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday's 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Recyclables are free to drop off at the Recycling Center. Recyclables need to be sorted. Garbage tags can be purchased for individual bags of garbage from Sentry Foods, Depot Street Station, or the Village Clerk's Office. For a price of \$3.00 per tag.

DISPOSE OF OLD FLAGS: If you do not know how or where to dispose of your old flags properly, we can help you out. You can drop them at the clerk's office.

COMMUNITY GARDEN: If you are interested in a spot at the Community Garden, please contact the Iola Community Garden at iolacommunitygarden550@gmail.com. Keep watching their webpage at https://www.villageofiola.com/community_garden for summer events for the family.

If you have a topic that you think would be helpful to the community, feel free to contact the clerk's office at 715.445.2913 or email: iolawi@tds.net.
Sincerely, Betty Aanstad Village Clerk

LOCAL BUSINESSES: Please support our local businesses. They greatly appreciate it.