



# TOWN *of* CLEVELAND

Marathon County, Wisconsin

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## 2019 Annual Report and Spring 2020 Newsletter

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The Annual Meeting is scheduled for  
**Wednesday, April 15, 2020, starting at 7:00 p.m.**

A lunch will be served. Please watch the website for a possible call to order and postponement for 30 days. We will post our plans by the end of day April 7, 2020.



## From the Chairman

Spring is here and with it comes road limits, elections, and sloppy roads.

Your township has invested in equipment that helps will help us accomplish the task of road safety and operational needs for our township.

Luke Serwe, George Schneider, and John Deiler have done a wonderful job keeping the recycling center open and our roads graded and plowed for our travel safety.

We put into service a new plow/maintenance truck this past year to enable us to clear roads timely and safely during the winter storm season. A larger hauling capacity allows Luke and John to cover the road system faster and more effectively when sand and salt need to be applied to the roads.

I would like to thank our town clerk (Tanya Holcomb) and our treasurer (Alexandra

Skaya) for their handling of the town affairs based upon their responsibility. We are fortunate to have their expertise available to us.

The Town of Cleveland will continue to operate within our budget as long as disasters stay away. We continue to be a growing township and with that will come more traffic and a need to keep upgrading our roads. Blacktopping of our roads will continue to be a topic and one that I feel cannot be ignored for too much longer. An action plan will need to be mapped out so it can be affordable and timely for all involved. Doing nothing will secure the fact that nothing gets done. Let's work together to make our township a model to emulate.

Thanks,  
*Kurt Jochimsen, Chairman*

## Upcoming Elections

The remaining elections for this year will occur on the following dates:

**April 7** – Spring Election and Presidential Preference Primary

**May 12** – Spring Election for Congressional District 7

**August 11** – Partisan Primary

**November 3** – General and Presidential Election

You can register to vote or request an absentee ballot by going to [myvote.wi.gov](https://myvote.wi.gov). You may also submit an email request to me ([clerk@townofclevelandwi.com](mailto:clerk@townofclevelandwi.com))

but I will need a copy of your photo id, which can be emailed, sent via text (715-897-1340) or a copy placed in the locked town mailbox. Reviewing the photo id is a requirement in order to vote; same as voting in person. However, once you show your ID once for absentee voting, usually there is not a future need to do so.

If you vote in person, we will be practicing social distancing during the "safe at home" order from Governor Evers. We will have measures in place to keep our voters healthy during this time. Please be patient with us as we work through this process.

**Tanya Holcomb, Town Clerk**

# 2019 Annual Financial Report

**Asset Accounts** *(Balance on hand as of January 1, 2019)*

General Checking Account.....	1,256
Savings - Tax Collection Account.....	706,049
Savings - Equipment Fund <i>(new for 2019)</i> .....	170,580
Savings - Contingency Fund <i>(new for 2019)</i> .....	45,000
<b>Total Beginning Assets .....</b>	<b>\$ 922,885</b>

## 2019 Revenues

**Taxes:**

Real Estate and Personal Property .....	267,003
Forest Cropland/Managed Forest Land Taxes .....	1,235
Lottery Credit .....	10,034
<b>Taxes Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 278,272</b>

**Intergovernmental Revenues:**

State Shared Revenues.....	29,521
Personal Property Aid .....	970
State Fire Insurance - 2% Dues.....	5,237
Computer Aid from State .....	86
State General Transportation Aid.....	108,819
County Culvert Aid.....	3,688
Recycling Grant .....	1,446
Wisconsin Elections Commission Computer Grant .....	1,200
Forest Land .....	40
<b>Intergovernmental Revenues Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 151,006</b>

**Licenses and Permits:**

Liquor & Bartender Licenses .....	325
Building Permits .....	225
<b>Licenses and Permits Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 550</b>

**Public Charge for Services:**

Open Records Request Fees.....	170
Garbage Collection .....	12,114
Fire Protection Fees.....	1,436
Road Maintenance .....	175
Town Hall Rental .....	1,650
<b>Public Charges for Services Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 15,545</b>

**Miscellaneous Revenues:**

Interest Income .....	2,721
Other Miscellaneous Revenue.....	610
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,331</b>

**Other Financing Sources:**

Proceeds of Long Term Debt - Partners Bank (Plow Truck) .....	\$ 138,148
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<b>TOTAL REVENUES .....</b>	<b>\$ 586,852</b>
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# 2019 Annual Financial Report (continued)

## 2019 Expenses

### **Town Board Administration:**

Board Expense .....	974
Association Dues/Fees .....	1,252
Mileage .....	384
Board Salary .....	11,881
Board FICA .....	909
<b>Town Board Administration Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 15,399</b>

### **Legal Fees:**

Legal Fees .....	<b>\$ 560</b>
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### **General Administration:**

Legal Notices .....	888
Newsletter/Announcements .....	716
Website/Internet .....	981
Clerk Expense .....	1,031
Clerk Mileage .....	275
Clerk Salary .....	20,160
Clerk FICA .....	1,542
Election Expense .....	221
Election Wages .....	1,121
<b>General Administration Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 26,935</b>

### **Financial Administration:**

Treasurer Expense .....	1,697
Treasurer Mileage .....	115
Treasurer Salary .....	10,416
Treasurer FICA .....	771
Accounting Expense (Software/Payroll) .....	630
Assessor Contract .....	14,000
<b>Financial Administration Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 27,628</b>

### **General Buildings & Grounds:**

Town Hall Expense .....	3,964
Town Hall Utilities - Phone .....	476
Town Hall Utilities - Electric .....	991
Town Hall Utilities - Gas .....	160
Town Garage - Electric .....	540
Town Garage - Gas .....	240
Town Garage Expense .....	124
Insurance .....	12,027
<b>General Buildings &amp; Grounds Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 18,522</b>

<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT .....</b>	<b>\$ 89,045</b>
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### **Public Safety (Fire Protection):**

Fire Assessment .....	63,913
2% Dues .....	5,237
Cost of Fires .....	4,878
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY .....</b>	<b>\$ 74,027</b>

**Public Works:**

Highway & Street Admin.....	345
Shop Operations .....	837
Grader.....	7,903
Ford Plow Truck .....	5,548
Drott .....	405
Backhoe Loader .....	1,955
<b>Machinery Operations Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 16,994</b>

Road Wages Salary .....	33,280
Road Wages Hourly .....	9,291
Road FICA .....	3,257
Road Retirement .....	2,180
Fuel.....	14,157
Mileage.....	3,090
Phone .....	630
Sand/Salt.....	1,398
Dust Control .....	23,835
Granite Road Materials .....	39,301
Highway Street Maintenance.....	81,806
<b>Highway Street Maintenance Local Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 212,225</b>

Sanitation Wages Hourly .....	4,164
Sanitation FICA .....	319
Garbage & Recycling Collection .....	6,130
<b>Sanitation Subtotal .....</b>	<b>\$ 10,613</b>

<b>TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS .....</b>	<b>\$ 239,832</b>
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**Capital Outlay:**

Capital Outlay - Transportation - Plow Truck ( <i>Balance in 2020</i> ) .....	<b>\$ 138,148</b>
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**Debt Service:**

Grader Principle.....	46,681
Grader Interest.....	3,319
<b>Total Debt Service.....</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES AND OTHER FINANCING USES.....</b>	<b>\$ 591,052</b>
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**2019 (2018 Taxes) Tax Roll - Where your tax dollars go**

Town of Cleveland.....	278,272
Marathon County .....	593,060
Stratford School District .....	1,151,258
Edgar School District .....	23,731
North Central Technical College.....	155,232
<b>Total 2019 Tax Roll .....</b>	<b>\$ 2,201,552</b>

**Balance on hand as of December 31, 2019**

General Checking Account.....	1,094
Savings - Tax Collection Account .....	956,378
Savings - Contingency Fund.....	50,020
Savings - Equipment Fund.....	162,163
<b>Total Assets as of December 31, 2019.....</b>	<b>\$ 1,169,655</b>

# From the Office of the Treasurer

Tax collection was completed for the township on January 31, with all further incoming taxes sent to the county after a 7-day grace period.

Tax collections were completed on a new "live" online system. This new system allows for individuals to look up their tax information any time using the following website [ascent.co.marathon.wi.us/ascentlandrecords](http://ascent.co.marathon.wi.us/ascentlandrecords). Once online, you can type in your last name and search any necessary information regarding your parcel. If desired, you can also print tax receipts by using the select detail option and selecting taxes. This will give information for the last 5 years of taxes. When you click on the tax year it will bring up a printer friendly version. As always, if a receipt is requested from the treasurer, I am happy to mail a receipt as another option.

For next year's taxes we will just request, as with this year, that if you would like a receipt mailed to you that you mention on your payment to mail a receipt and I will do so. By only printing receipts when requested it helps save the township on unnecessary costs for printing and mailing.

We are still accepting dog licensing forms, and if new forms are needed, please don't hesitate to contact me.

I just wanted to finish by thanking the township for welcoming me into this new role over the past year. I have learned a lot and appreciate everyone's patience as I continue to learn. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 715-323-3422 or email me at [treasurer@townofclevelandwi.com](mailto:treasurer@townofclevelandwi.com)

**Alexandra Skaya, Treasurer**

## Roads Report

During Fall of 2019, we performed maintenance on black top roads in Baywood Shores and Edgewater.

This winter, we were able to keep the roads cleared in a timely manner. The town also purchased a new plow truck that was put into service during the month of February 2020. The prior plow truck was 24 years old. We will continue to keep this truck and use during the summer to haul dirt.

During the spring, we will be checking out culverts including the culvert on Maryel Drive. We will be checking out all reflective signs and replace the ones that are worn.

We will be putting bid notices out during the month of April for granite, dust control and brush cutting. We anticipate this work will begin as soon as the ground thaws.

As a reminder, the speed limit for ATV's on Town roads are 25mph. Additionally, ATV's/UTV's are not allowed on county roads unless the road is signed.

The county will be working on the bridge at the corner of county highway M south of Holstein later this year. There will be road closures involved. As we obtain further information, we will post this on our website.

## Information Requests and Building Permits

Requests for Information (from title companies, etc.) can be sent to Alexandra Skaya. There is a minimal fee that will be assessed.

Building permits may be obtained by calling or emailing Tanya Holcomb. Please provide the size of the building and estimated cost. The fee for the permit is \$15. The invoice and permit will be mailed to you.

# Garbage & Recycling

## Summer Collection Hours

(June 3 – Aug. 29, 2020)

Wednesdays, 5 – 7 p.m.

Saturdays, 9 – 11 a.m.

## Winter Collection Hours

(Sep. 5, 2020 – May 29, 2021)

Saturdays, 8 a.m. – Noon

(proposed hours)

## Pricing

- 13 gallon – \$1
- 30 gallon – \$3
- Barrels – \$5

Anything other than above will be charged accordingly

## Special Notes

Please make sure all recycling items are in a clear bag. If using a black plastic bag, it will be put in the landfill and not recycled. Please do not include any sharp metal, batteries, diapers, needles, light bulbs, paper plates and cups, food scrap-wood, clothing and wine in the recycling bin. These items should go in the regular garbage bins.

There are separate bins for aluminum cans and tin and one for cardboard/paper. All other recycling can be mixed.

Other items such as appliances, tires, household items can be taken to Bee Line north of Stratford on Hwy 97.

If you have any questions, please contact me or attend a Town Board Meeting the 2nd Tuesday of each month (unless posted) at 7 p.m.

**Spring Clean-up Day** – The Town Board has been in the process of scheduling this for May but with the recent health pandemic, we will schedule for a later time. Please watch the website or a future newsletter.

## Town of Cleveland Website

[www.townofclevelandwi.com](http://www.townofclevelandwi.com)

We encourage you to visit this site. You will find information about garbage and recycling, elections, notices, forms, agendas, meeting minutes and much more. Once you visit the site, please sign up for updates by selecting “Mailing List Sign Up” at the bottom of the page. We will continue to send out newsletters, but you are welcome to obtain the same information on this website. Please let us know if you have information that you would like for us to consider adding to this site.

## Town Officials & Other Town Contacts

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