



TOWN *of* CLEVELAND

Marathon County, Wisconsin

2022 Annual Report and Spring 2023 Newsletter

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for
Wednesday, April 19, starting at 7:00 p.m.

A lunch will be served.



From the Chairman

To the residents of Town of Cleveland:

Spring elections are just around the corner and your board is up for reelection this year. We will have at least one new supervisor pending the election results. The positions are important for the board to conduct the business of the township. We have plenty of projects that need our attention. I will have them as agenda items for the annual meeting listed in this newsletter. Roads and road safety are always a top priority for the town to keep in check.

Our road projects for 2023 will be soft spot identification and fixing those areas in greatest need. We plan to do ditch and shoulder work on Balsam Road from County M east to the bridge. (Commonly known as Spindler Bridge) this summer. We will prepare the road surface for blacktop the summer of 2024. As stated in the fall newsletter, federal funding for the project was not accepted. This will be our major undertaking during next summer (2024) road projects.

Agenda items for the annual meeting will include: Continuation of our sanitation and recycling center (Do we go to roadside pickup for recycling and garbage pickup?), using our ARPA funds for a new town garage that is needed, and addressing road project updates for spring/summer 2023. The Marathon County Zoning Committee will be giving an informational presentation at

the annual meeting, please visit the Town of Cleveland website to find more information about zoning and an upcoming Fenwood Creek Watershed presentation.

Also, I would like to take this time to mention noteworthy things that have been done for safety and just town improvements. The club that resides in our township representing 4 wheelers and UTV's made it their mission to put lights up and set poles for those lights

under the direction and guidance of Jerry Keding at our public boat landing in the Maryel subdivision. Jerry has taken it upon himself to identify needs and follow through to complete them. Many thanks to Jerry and Diane Keding, Dave and Vicki Plank, Jordan and Jessica Leonhard, and the club who donated time and effort to get the job done.

I would also like to thank Leonard Austin for his service to our township over the past 12 years. Leonard brought to the table many perspectives of projects that were made in the past. He brought balance and was a knowledgeable

representative for the township.

I hope to see many of you at the annual meeting on Wednesday April 19.

Thank you,
Kurt Jochimsen, *Chairman*

Annual Meeting Agenda April 19, 2023

1. Call the meeting to order
2. Approval of April 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes
3. Set April 2024 annual meeting date
4. Special guest speakers - Marathon County Zoning Committee
5. 2022 Financial report
6. Treasurer report
7. Fire Commissioner report
8. Stratford Area Fire Department
9. Garbage and Recycling report
10. Board of Review dates
11. ARPA funds - Town Garage Plans
12. Highway committee report
13. Town constituent meeting



From the Office of the Treasurer

Tax collections were settled with the county in February. Thank you to everyone who submitted their payments by the January 31, 2023 deadline. Second installment and delinquent payments should be mailed to **Marathon County Treasurer, 500 Forest St., Wausau, WI 54403**, or made online at ascent.co.marathon.wi.us/ascentlandrecords with an additional processing fee.

Tax information can be looked up any time on this county website as well. Type in your last name and search for any necessary information regarding your parcel by clicking on the parcel number. Payment history information is also found here.

This will give information about the last five years of taxes. When you click on the tax year it will bring up a printer friendly version. If a receipt is requested from the treasurer, I am happy to mail or email a receipt as well.

We are still accepting dog licensing forms. Please mail the rabies vaccination certificate along with the dog owner licensing form and payment to Town of Cleveland, 214261 County Road M, Stratford WI, 54484. If new forms are needed, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,
Julaine Aschenbrenner, Treasurer

Information Requests and Building Permits

Requests for Information (from Title Companies, etc) can be sent to Julaine Aschenbrenner. There is a minimal fee that will be assessed.

Building Permits may be obtained by calling or emailing Alexandra Skaya. 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.

Town Officials and Contacts

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Julaine Aschenbrenner, Treasurer
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Luke Serwe, Roads & Sanitation Supervisor
715-897-1820

James Kurtzweil, Assessor
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Kevin Breit, Building Inspector
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Town website: townofclevelandwi.com



From the Office of the Clerk

The remaining election for this year will occur on **April 4, 2023**. The election will include local municipality races and the Stratford School District Referendum, in addition to county and state races. Sample ballots can be found on our website under notices.

We will test the voting equipment on March 27. There will be early in-person voting on Sunday, March 26, and Thursday, March 30, from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, April 2, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., or by appointment. Please contact clerk to schedule an appointment. Early in-person voting means that individuals are allowed to come to the clerks office prior to an election and fill out a ballot. This ballot is then sealed in an absentee envelope and secured until election day when it is then counted.

You can register to vote or request an absentee ballot by going to myvote.wi.gov. You may also submit an email request to me (clerk@townofclevelandwi.com) but I will need a copy of your photo id which can be emailed, sent via text (715-323-3422) 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.

Who is on the Ballot

Every other year, the Town of Cleveland elects the board officials. The caucus was held in January and the following are running for office. We are providing you with information on the candidates for Supervisor as this is the only office that is contested this year. If you have any questions about these candidates, you are encouraged to reach out to them individually.

Town Chairman – Kurt Jochimsen
(incumbent)

Town Clerk – Alexandra Skaya *(incumbent)*

Town Treasurer – Julaine Aschenbrenner
(incumbent)

Supervisors (vote for two)

Paul (Bucky) Drexler *(incumbent)*

I am running for the office of Town Supervisor. I have held this position for three terms (six years) and hope to serve

another two years with your vote. I have retired from Klemme Sales Chevrolet Dealer where I worked for 49 years. I have lived in Cleveland Township for 46 years. My wife Wendy and I have three children and four grandchildren. I am a member of St. Andrews Parish in Rozellville. I enjoying playing guitar for our church services and nursing homes when open. My wife and I raise a few chickens and like to be out and about when it's warm and we truly enjoy living in the Town of Cleveland Township! Please don't forget to vote April 4th. Thank you – Paul (Bucky) Drexler

Lori Hollatz

I have decided to run for the office of town Supervisor after attending the town’s regular meetings for years and thought I could give back to my community by serving the needs of the citizens and township as a board member. I have an understanding of what is currently going on in the township and want to continue with road improvements for all roads in the township, the maintenance of current equipment, assessing a new building project with ARPA funds and being financially responsible with the township’s money.

I grew up in the Stratford area and have resided in the Town of Cleveland for 17 years with my husband and daughter. I have worked at Security Health Plan for over 16 years handling the operations of the Medicare prescription benefits. In my free time I enjoy gardening, watching the Badgers and Packers, spending time on the water, volunteering at my church, and watching the wildlife in the area.

Thank you for your consideration and I would appreciate your vote on April 4th.
- Lori Hollatz

Donnie Mengel

I believe I would be a great candidate for town supervisor due to these reasons.

I sat on three separate school addition committees including the elementary library, the elementary gym and lunch room Junior High addition. I helped established the PNAAW[Board of Wisconsin professional nutrient applications of Wisconsin]. I sat on the board as a supervisor for several years. I am currently helping put plans together for the new town equipment shed which will then be put up for bids and possible construction.

If any questions please call me at 715-506-0081 - Donnie Mengel

Steven Fleischmann

My name is Steven Fleischmann and I am a sales representative of Schwans, where I travel daily to offer and provide our local neighborhood customers with high-quality frozen foods. I have been a part of the surrounding area all my life as I grew up, went to school, and graduated from Marshfield, and since 2017 have lived in the township with my now wife and two children. I am passionate in politics and any political agendas that can affect our lives and community. I would like to be a part of this council to provide insight or help where I can to possibly better the future for ourselves and our neighbors.

Thank You - Steven Fleischmann

2022 Annual Financial Report

On the next pages, you will find the 2022 Annual Report. We will review this in detail at the Annual Meeting. If you have questions, you may bring those questions to the meeting or contact me via phone or email to discuss.

I thank you for allowing me to serve as your clerk over this past year and continue to strive to learn more about this role so that I can serve the township better. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Alexandra Skaya, Clerk

Town of Cleveland 2022 Annual Financial Report

ASSET ACCOUNTS *(BALANCE ON HAND AS OF JANUARY 1, 2022)*

General Checking Account	\$4
Savings - Tax Collection Account	\$631,224
Savings - Contingency Fund	\$50,817
Savings - Equipment Fund	\$112,651
Savings - Grant Designated	\$78,282
Total Beginning Assets	\$872,977

2022 TAX RECONCILIATION

Taxes:

Tax Collections (January 2022)	\$1,056,601
Tax Collections - Advanced Tax Collections (December 2021)	\$628,284
Lottery Credit (received April 2022)	\$20,088
Dog Licenses collected throughout the year	\$1,015
August settlement from county plus other county settlements	\$118,168
Delinquent and postponed tax collections	—
Taxes, Credits and Settlements Received	\$1,824,156

Tax collections and credits paid to county	\$448,130
Dog licenses paid to county during year	\$953
Tax collections and credits paid to schools	\$800,556
Tax collections and credits paid to technical colleges	\$118,643
Tax Settlements Paid to Others	\$1,368,282

Private forest crop/managed forest land tax	\$353
Taxes retained by Town	\$353

LOCAL SHARE OF PROPERTY TAXES	\$456,227
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2022 REVENUES

Taxes:

General Property Taxes	\$455,874
Private forest crop/managed forest land taxes	\$353
Total Taxes	\$456,227

Intergovernmental Revenues:

Federal Grants

American Rescue Plan Act Grant	\$78,240
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State Grants

County and Municipal Aid	\$ 29,479
Exempt Computer Aid	\$86
Personal Property Aid	\$970
State Fire Insurance - 2% Dues	\$5,652

Shared Revenues

\$36,187

General Transportation Aids	\$122,709
Recycling	\$1,446
Forest Cropland/Managed Forest Land	(\$6)
Other State Payments	—

Grants from County and Other Governments

Highway and Bridges	—
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Intergovernmental Revenues Subtotal

\$238,576

Licenses and Permits:

Business and Occupational Licenses	\$315
Building Permits	\$270

Licenses and Permits Subtotal

\$585

Public Charge for Services:

General Government (License Publication Fees and Treasurer Fees)	\$173
Fire Protection Fees	\$791
Highway and Street Maintenance	—
Refuse and Garbage Collection	\$13,114
Community Center (Town Hall Rental)	\$1,375

Public Charges for Services Subtotal

\$15,453

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Interest Income	\$1,397
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	\$5,920
Unapplied cash income	\$15

Miscellaneous Revenues Subtotal

\$7,332

Other Financing Sources:

Proceeds of Long Term Debt - Partners Bank (Road Improvements)	\$200,000
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TOTAL REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

\$918,173

2022 Annual Financial Report (continued)

2022 EXPENSES

General Government:

Board Salary	\$12,650
Board FICA	\$968
Board Expense	\$4,689
Association Dues/Fees	\$1,588
Mileage	\$40
Legislative (board) Subtotal	\$19,934

General Administration:

Legal	\$200
Legal Notices	\$931
Newsletter/Announcements	\$1,221
Website/Internet	\$855
Clerk Salary	\$22,680
Clerk FICA	\$1,735
Clerk Expense	\$1,545
Clerk Train/Dues/Subscriptions	\$742
Clerk Mileage	\$339
Clerk Postage	\$186
Election Wages	\$1,852
Election Expense	\$614
General Administration (clerk and election) Subtotal	\$32,899

Financial Administration:

Accounting Expense (Software/Payroll)	\$2,200
Assessment of Property	\$41
Treasurer Salary	\$11,944
Treasurer FICA	\$914
Treasurer Expense	\$299
Treasurer Train/Dues/Subscriptions	\$892
Treasurer Postage	\$888
Treasurer Travel/Mileage	\$94
Assessor Contract	\$15,000
Financial Administration Subtotal	\$32,286

General Buildings & Grounds:

Town Hall Utilities	\$4,745
Town Hall Expense	\$5,887
Town Garage Utilities	\$3,697
Town Garage Expense	\$175
Insurance	\$31,904
General Buildings & Grounds Subtotal	\$46,407

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$131,527
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Public Safety (Fire Protection):

Fire Assessment	\$64,254
2% Dues.....	\$5,652
Cost of Fires.....	\$1,408

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY (FIRE PROTECTION)..... \$71,314

Public Works:

Highway & Street Admin.....	\$930
Shop Operations	\$344
Grader.....	\$9,963
Ford Plow Truck	\$770
Drott	—
Peterbuilt Plow Truck	\$3,566
Road Wages Salary.....	\$38,102
Road Wages Hourly	\$7,472
Road FICA	\$4,072
Road Retirement	\$2,486
Fuel.....	\$18,380
Equipment Rental	\$9,225
Mileage.....	\$1,318
Phone	\$585
Sand/Salt.....	\$2,124
Granite Road Materials	\$74,589
Highway Street Maintenance.....	\$4,089
2022 Balsam Road Prep	\$209
2022 Big Rapids Road	\$13,469
2022 Eau Pleine Culvert	\$13,676
2022 Maryel.....	\$63,800
2022 Moline.....	\$11,779
2022 Rock Rd Bridge	\$5,194
2022 Schnelle.....	\$3,717
2022 Wiesman	\$40,645

Highway Street Maintenance.....\$156,578

Ditching and Cutting.....	\$7,020
Dust Control	\$42,647
Supplies	\$1,364

Highway Subtotal\$381,537

Sanitation Wages Hourly	\$8,663
Sanitation FICA	\$663
Garbage & Recycling Collection	\$6,174

Sanitation Subtotal\$15,499

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS \$397,035

2022 Annual Financial Report (continued)

Debt Service:

Highway & Street Principle	\$190,132
Debt Service - Principle	\$190,132
Highway & Street Interest	\$3,665
Debt Service - Interest	\$3,665
Total Debt Service	\$193,797
TOTAL EXPENSES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	\$793,673

2022 (2021 TAXES) TAX ROLL - WHERE YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO

Town of Cleveland	\$456,227
Marathon County	\$448,130
Stratford School District	\$784,665
Edgar School District	\$15,891
North Central Technical College	\$118,643
TOTAL 2022 TAX ROLL	\$1,823,556

ASSET ACCOUNTS (BALANCE ON HAND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022)

General Checking Account	\$56,251
Savings - Tax Collection Account	\$811,302
Savings - Contingency Fund	\$50,919
Savings - Equipment Fund	\$112,939
Savings - Grant Designated	\$153,078
TOTAL ASSETS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022	\$1,184,489

CASH RECONCILIATION

Beginning Cash	\$872,977
2022 Revenue	\$918,173
2022 Expenses	\$793,673
2021 Advanced Tax Collections	\$631,211
2022 Advanced Tax Collections	\$811,230
Miscellaneous Liabilities (to be paid in 2023)	\$6,992
ENDING CASH	\$1,184,489



From Supervisor Drexler

Garbage and Recycling

Collection Hours

***NEW Winter Hours (Now - May 27, 2023)**

Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Winter hours are changing due to income loss. Thank you for your cooperation.*

Summer Hours (May 31 - Aug. 26, 2023)

Wednesdays 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Pricing

13 Gallon: \$2 ▪ 30 Gallon: \$4 ▪ Barrel: \$6

Anything other than above will be charged accordingly

Additional Notes

Please make sure to tie down bags, barrels and loose garbage when bringing to the garbage collection site. We have found bags of garbage and other items in the ditches. Let's keep our township clean!

Please do not include any sharp metal, batteries, diapers, needles, hard covered books, light bulbs, paper plates and cups, food, scrap-wood, and clothing 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. Please no garbage bags in recyclable bins. If you bring your recyclables in bags, they will need to be dumped out and sorted.

Other items such as appliances, tires, household items can be taken to Bee Line north of Stratford on Hwy 97. Televisions and computer monitors can be taken to Marshfield Scrap for 35 cents a pound (715-389-1915). Marshfield Technology will take keyboards and phones. (715-502-4585)

Remember at the Cleveland recycling center we have a designated area for brush and grass clippings.

If you should have any questions, please contact Bucky Drexler or attend a Town Board Meeting the 2nd Tuesday of each month (unless posted) at 7:00 pm.

Paul (Bucky) Drexler, Supervisor

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