



LUKE WULF – NEW TOWN EQUIPMENT OPERATOR



NEW BLACKTOP AROUND NELSON LAKE PARK SHELTER

2023 DECEMBER—TOWN OF LENROOT NEWSLETTER

Norvado is applying for another grant for over \$3,000,000 to expand their system to an additional 475 locations in the township. To help promote their grant application, we have pledged \$10,000 from our ARPA allotment. ARPA grant funding has also paid for the tv, speaker, and camera for setting up a zoom capable system in the town hall.

Road projects last summer in addition to the normal maintenance activities included new blacktop on Christensen and James Roads and short segments on Boedecker and Tanning Point Roads.

Anticipated projects for next summer include a new culvert on Porky's Road on Mosquito Brook estimated to cost \$100,000 (50% of which is covered by grant). Porky's Road will be closed for about a week sometime in August - September to allow for this work. Other roads will be evaluated for work based on available funding and needs determined by evaluating the road survey which was done this fall.

Soaring real estate prices over the last few years will require a complete township reassessment, which began in this fall and will continue next year. Property owners will receive a post card from our assessor Claude Ringlemon explaining the process and what he will need from you. Your property value will probably rise, but since the township levy has been essentially frozen since 2011, the total tax will probably be about the same as the last few years.

Property taxes are only a part of the funding the town receives to pay for improvements and services. In 2024 we expect that over 65% of the total cost for township operations will be covered by sources other than property taxes.

A new set of children's playground equipment was installed at the Nelson Lake Park. This was purchased by the Nelson Lake Resort Association and assembled by town workers. In addition, blacktop was laid around the shelter with a path to the parking lot. About half of the cost was covered by the Nelson Lake Association.

Thank you to both organizations for the support.

Check out the township website at www.townoflenroot.net for information about township meetings, recreational facilities, voting, taxes, and other information.

SEND TAX PAYMENTS TO:

Town of Lenroot Treasurer

P.O. Box 1368

Hayward, WI 54843

If you have questions, please call 715-634-0395 or email at rebecca.stroede@gmail.com or visit <https://sawyercountygov.org/229/Treasurer> for all your property tax answers.

- TAXES ARE DUE January 31, 2024
- **Any payment after January 31st must go directly to the Sawyer County Treasurer.**
Refer to the back of your tax bill for more information.
- If you would like a **RECEIPT**, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.
\$30 fee for all returned checks.

For your convenience, I will be at the Lenroot Town Hall on the dates listed below.

Saturday, December 30, 2023

9:00 – 11:00 am

Saturday, January 13, 2024

9:00 – 11:00 am

Saturday, January 27, 2024

9:00 – 11:00 am

Please PLAN AHEAD! Mail your check or use the LOCKED drop box outside the Lenroot Town Hall, 12215 N US Hwy 63. NO CASH – checks or money orders only.

DOG LICENSE INFORMATION

If you own a dog that is 5 months of age or older (at any time throughout the year) and reside in Sawyer County more than 30 days, your dog is required by law to have an Annual Sawyer County Dog License. Evidence that the dog is currently immunized against rabies must be presented (unless current in our system).

- Dog licenses are available from the Town of Lenroot or the Sawyer County Clerk's office; \$10.00 for neutered or spayed dogs, \$15.00 for intact male or female dogs.
- RENEWING a license: You may go online **AFTER DECEMBER 15th** at <http://www.doglicenses.uw/WI/Sawyer/>
- NEW license: you NO LONGER NEED TO FILL OUT A CARD, BUT - **YOU MUST SEND A VET CERTIFICATE showing date of vaccination, expiration date, vaccine manufacturer and serial number of serum. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

FAILURE TO OBTAIN YOUR DOG'S LICENSE BEFORE APRIL 1st WILL RESULT IN LATE FEES AND POSSIBLE CITATIONS.

RECREATION RENTAL OWNERS

Town of Lenroot Accommodation Tax Ordinance #109 REQUIRES that ALL nightly and weekly rentals MUST PAY a 2% Accommodation Tax. This is due quarterly to the Town Treasurer within 30 days of the end of the quarter to support tourism promotion in our area.

Contact me at 715-634-0395 if you have questions.

Rebecca Brunner-Stroede, Treasurer