

FARMERS’ MARKET, DOG PARK TO HIGHLIGHT THE SUMMER OF 2005

Weston residents will have two new recreational venues to take advantage of this spring as the Village Board tries to respond to quality of life requests from the community.

Each Saturday (beginning June 4th) from 7:30 AM – 1:00 PM, the Village will be hosting a farmers’ market on a specially prepared site next to the Municipal Center at 5500 Schofield Avenue. Thirty vendors will sell a variety of fresh vegetables, in-season fruit and other food products throughout the summer. In addition, live entertainment/special events will accompany the event on many Saturdays. Call Jen Higgins at 241-2608 if you wish to be a selling or entertaining participant.

“We have over 20 interested vendors and our market is showing great potential to be a weekly place for the community to gather together”, said Jean Jackan, Farmers’ Market Chairman.

Beginning May 1st, taxpayers will have a place to frolic with their pets, as the Park & Recreation Department will open the Weston Dog Park. The park will be located atop of the old Town of Weston landfill and accessed through Kellyland Park’s west parking lot. The park will feature a controlled entrance to protect pets and taxpayers, a mowed run area, benches, and a pet sanitation station. Over \$7,000 was raised by a volunteer committee led by Tom & Carol Schoenherr

“This dog park is an excellent example of land stewardship and volunteerism. The Village was able to use a piece of vacant land and a group of enthusiastic citizens were able to maximize the land through fundraising and planning”, said Sharon Jaeger, Chairman of the Park & Recreation Committee.

The Village will also continue to develop its park infrastructure with additions to Yellow Banks Park and the completion of Vilas E. Machmueller Family Park to serve all neighborhoods of the community.



Village street employees construct the new Farmers’ Market Park scheduled to open June 4th. (Photo: Tim Vergara)

PLANNING COMMISSION TO LOOK AT LARGER LOT SIZE FOR SUBURBAN HOMES

The Village of Weston Planning Commission is studying a change to the zoning code that would increase lot sizes for single-family homes located in the outer ring of the community.

“The central core of the Village is fairly well-developed with 15,000 square foot lots. Through our surveys and planning process we have determined that lot sizes for homes in our suburban areas should be larger and an emphasis should be placed on the preservation of woodlands”, said Vilas Machmueller, Village President.

The Village of Weston has over 500 new homes approved for construction and requests pending for at least 300 more homes in outer ring areas. Subdivisions have been proposed in the southeast area of the Village along the Bull Junior Creek watershed and the new YMCA prompting the Planning Commission to look at issues such as setbacks between houses, wetlands, sewer & water service and public safety protection.

“We have heard from enough taxpayers in these areas that it would be irresponsible not to stop and seriously study subdivision density issues interest”, said Commissioner Mary Hancock.



RESPONSE IS THE ISSUE IN WAUSAU FIRE AGREEMENT

Six times a year I get a chance to set the record straight on issues facing the Village via this column. And there is probably not an issue that needs more of an explanation than our recent fire agreement with Wausau. Simply put the deal was about protecting you and your home.

In this day and age it is hard to staff a paid on-call, volunteer fire department. Work schedules, hobbies, family obligations have all reduced our response rate to only about four volunteer fire fighters per call. Safe protocol requires nine firefighters in attendance to attack a fire and twelve firefighters on the scene is really our goal. We were averaging four and sometimes we could not even get our new aerial out the door.

Our goal is to have our own full-time fire department. Schofield Mayor Jim Krause and I also have a desire to merge our fire departments to meet this goal and save tax dollars to boot. Merger is a tough process and we needed to make sure that an adequate amount of firefighters would be there to protect your family and your homes. Our automatic aid agreement with Wausau assures that five full-time firefighters, **our aerial** and an additional engine will back up our current staff on all fires. If the deal does not work out we simply notify Wausau and the truck comes back. Wausau is not the big bad wolf and I have every reason to believe that they will play a key role in a merged fire service. **But with response as our priority**, we now know that there will be a minimum of nine firefighters to make a safe attack.

The tax savings for the Village is significant and can't be overlooked. Our loan payment on the truck is about \$70,000 per year. If we were to staff our fire department at the level of service we will receive from Wausau, we would need to spend over \$500,000 per year. That is a seven to one return on our investment in the agreement. And remember, I told you that there were times we did not have enough people to get the aerial out the door. That is a zero return on the investment of your tax dollar.

I want to thank Mayor Tipple, Dean Zuleger, Bill Nagle, Chief Mike Pierce and all the others who worked so hard on this project. I am confident that this is the first step to breaking down many of the silly barriers that have separated area communities in the past and that will ultimately result in taxpayer savings. Have a refreshing spring.

Vilas E. Machmueller, Village President

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE/JULY

The Village of Weston will hold six neighborhood meetings in the summer of 2005 to receive input on issues of importance concerning the community. Meetings will be held in late June and throughout July. Discussion this year will focus on traffic, utilities, and nuisance issues, but all Village concerns are open for discussion.

Neighborhood Meeting Schedule

June 22nd (Wed) Robinwood Park 6:00 PM

Robinwood, Callon, Brehm, Rural Southeast neighbors will hear a special presentation by DCE Superintendent Kris Gilmore on the new elementary school.

June 30th (Thur) Yellow Banks 6:00 PM

Northwestern, Eau Claire Ave., Sternberg neighbors will discuss sewer & water issues, speed limits, and nuisance problems.

July 7th (Thur) Kennedy Park 6:00 PM

Central Core neighbors will discuss traffic issues relating to DCE High School, property upkeep, and the Schofield Ave. redesign.

July 14th (Thur) Kellyland Park 6:00 PM

Hidden River and River Park neighbors will discuss Ross Avenue traffic issues, pet management issues, deer control and noise issues.

July 20th (Wed) Machmueller Park 6:00 PM

Powers, Sandy Meadows, and River Pines neighbors will discuss the new pedestrian bridge, speeding, and traffic control issues.

July 28th (Thur) Sandhill Park 6:00 PM

Windemere, Crane Meadows, Howland, and Stonegate neighbors will discuss 2006 Camp Phillips remodel, noise issues, and drainage.

In addition, the Village will host a Von Kanel Street drainage meeting with residents at the Williams Park tot lot sometime in August.

“Our neighborhood meetings are designed to allow our taxpayer-investors to share new ideas and more importantly tell us where we can improve our service”, said Village Trustee Dave Diesen.

Neighborhood meetings have been responsible for the Village's hunting ordinance, Camp Phillips & Ross intersection improvements, beautification efforts, the purchase of speed boards, the development of the Eau Claire River Trail and the creation of Machmueller Family Park.

PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES NEWS

PROJECTS STATUS REPORT



STREETSCAPE ON WESTON AVENUE AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT AT THREE QUADRANTS OF STH 29/CAMP PHILLIPS ROAD INTERCHANGE - Tillmann Landscape Nursery of Green Bay resumed work on April 11 for the landscaping within street R.O.W.'s in the developments surrounding the STH 29 and Camp Phillips Road interchange. Various subcontractors are taking care of concrete bands in medians, lighting, and paving brick. The majority of the plantings and lighting around St. Clare's Hospital and the other development at the southwest quadrant of STH 29 and Camp Phillips Road are complete. Earth, Inc., is resuming the placement of paving brick in the medians of Weston Avenue between Camp Phillips and Birch. Tillmann will complete the plantings, decorative bollards, and irrigation system on Weston Avenue. The streetscape on Stone Ridge Drive north of Weston Avenue will be coordinated with the reconstruction of that street, as described in more detail later. On the north side of STH 29, Tillmann along with their subcontractors has resumed the construction of concrete bands in the medians, irrigation system installation and plantings. This includes work in the Shadow Ridge, Barbican Center, and Valdres Springs Commercial Developments as well as the Camp Phillip Road/East Everest Avenue intersection. Street lighting in these developments was handled under separate contracts that were awarded to Van Ert Electric. The work at East Everest/Camp Phillips will include pedestrian accommodations. The landscaping is at various stages of completion in each development. Final completion overall will not occur until October 2005, due to the need to coordinate all the activities and allow for plantings in either early spring or late fall. Along with the completion of the streetscape, one of the last items to be completed is the traffic signals at Birch Street. The signals were bid as part of the Stone Ridge project and will be completed by the end of August

STONE RIDGE DRIVE RECONSTRUCTION – Merrill Gravel and Construction has been awarded the contract to reconstruct Stone Ridge Drive between Weston Avenue and Ministry Parkway. The intention of the project is to rebuild the street to St. Clare's Hospital campus, including streetscape. This is the last phase of the infrastructure around the

new hospital. Utility companies are currently making their final determination as to whether there are conflicts with their existing facilities. The decorative lighting system will be removed and replaced with a system like that surrounding the St. Clare's Hospital. Merrill Gravel will be performing some Village utility evaluation between now and May 15. The project is to be constructed in phases with the first phase consisting of Westview Boulevard and area north of Westview Boulevard. The second phase will be the area between Westview Boulevard and Weston Avenue. The pavement will not be stripped from the entire road surface on the project's first phase until about May 15. The schedule is for the paving to be complete by the middle of September. Streetscape construction will be done as the work on the main project allows.

COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS – Merrill Gravel and Construction is ready to resume work on the **VALDRES SPRINGS DEVELOPMENT** (on Von Kanel Street north of STH 29) by the end of April. Completion of storm sewer and road gravel will be followed by Wisconsin Public Service's installation of electric and gas utilities (likely late May or early June). The project could be complete as soon as late June. However, final paving will be coordinated with the streetscape project and the construction of the Renaissance Assisted Living Complex in the northwest half of the property. Likewise, Earth, Inc., will be resuming construction on the **CROSS POINTE CORPORATE PARK** (on the south side of Weston Avenue between Camp Phillips Road and Birch Street) about May 1. This development will also include significant streetscape elements and street lighting. The project is to be ready for underground telephone, gas, and electric installation in early June. Final paving should be possible prior to the end of July, but this will also likely be delayed for coordination with other activities. The Village will be expanding the **BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY PARK** to the west with the addition of a 60+ acre tract between RickyVal Street and Ryan Street. Plans developed by the original owner of the property will be modified and construction of utilities should take place late in 2005.

BUSINESS PARK WATER TOWER work will resume in early May. Right of way acquisition will be getting underway in May for the construction of sidewalks on **BUSINESS 51 BETWEEN JELINEK AND SCHOFIELD AVENUE** in 2006.

SUBDIVISION PROJECTS – Lakeland Enterprises of Rhinelander is the general contractor for building the infrastructure in the **SANDY MEADOW NORTH 3rd ADDITION**, by Forrest Tappe Builders. The developer obtained early occupancy of the property and started construction activity during the last week

of March. Concurrently, the Village has been evaluating a site near the north boundary of the subdivision for a water supply well. Layne Northwest has been retained for the work that is now in the test-pumping phase to determine the well capacity. The Village must also await the results of water quality analysis from the test well before making a final decision as to the site's suitability for a permanent well. Schroeder Trucking and Excavating was gearing up to start construction in the **ANNABELLE SUBDIVISION** (Joe Buska) on Von Kanel Street during the week of April 18. There is no definite construction schedule established yet for the **RIDGEVIEW SUBDIVISION** on Von Kanel, nor for the **FOXTAIL SUBDIVISION** on Birch Street. Both projects are by Foresight Development. It is likely that work could begin in Ridgeview, sometime in May. Approval of development plans for Foxtail is pending the results of storm water runoff analysis. If all looks acceptable, this project could also begin in May.



2005 STORM WATER UTILITY PROJECTS – An informational meeting was held with residents in the **CALLON AVENUE/ZINSER STREET** project area on Wednesday, April 13. Work on the first phase of this project started on April 11 by J & L Excavating. The purpose of the first phase of the project is to provide improved drainage around the Callon Avenue/Zinser Street intersection, extending east on Schofield Avenue to Enterprise Way. Plans are underway to open bids for the second phase which will extend the storm sewer to the Central Wisconsin Auto Auction property on Schofield Avenue. Both phases will be constructed in 2005. A preliminary plan for drainage improvements on **CUT-OFF ROAD** has been submitted to the Village Engineering staff for review. The proposal is to cut ditches along both sides of the street and place a maintenance pavement overlay on the street. Village staff is also working on a plan for drainage improvements in the vicinity of Williams Park to eliminate some standing water on **VON KANEL BETWEEN STERNBERG AND SCHOFIELD AVENUE**. As mentioned in the last issue of "The Weston Focus," there will also be some final details attended to on the **RIVERBEND AREA** drainage project that was started in 2004.

STORM WATER UTILITY PLANNING - Planning for future storm water utility projects is an ongoing task. This was recognized as an ongoing need for the storm water utility when the utility was created. The initial focus of storm water utility capital projects has been to address some of the most severe drainage problems in the Village. In fact, the storm water

utility is the funding mechanism for over \$2.4 M worth of debt incurred for improvements constructed dating back to 2000. Some more notable examples of projects done prior to the utility creation are enlarging the outfall on Ryan Street to create a diversion of water out of the Wandering Springs Subdivision and the Weston Meadows Commercial District; enlarging the Birch Street storm sewer from Ross Avenue to Schofield Avenue; and extending storm sewer on Sternberg east of Birch Street. Projects in the Riverbend area, Callon/Zinser/Schofield Avenue area, Cut-off Road, and Mount View areas are a few more notable examples of projects that are included in a list of capital projects in the storm water utility plan. Knowing that there is a drainage problem is one thing; determining the best long-term solution is another. Too often, "solving" a drainage problem for a specific property merely relocates the problem somewhere upstream or downstream. Due to changes in regulations and development practices, solutions that were acceptable in the past are no longer so. Still other problems, such as sump pump discharge and preservation of natural surface water drainage patterns on private property are the responsibility of private property owners and do not generally fall under the Village's responsibility.

The Village has retained Central Wisconsin Engineers and Architects to model various drainage basins in the Village. The purpose of the models is to determine where problems in drainage capacity exist and to look at alternatives for correcting any deficiencies. The corrective measures could take the form of storm sewer extensions/replacements, ditching, detention basins, or any combination of these. Currently, the focus is on the **JELINEK-HUESS BASIN**, named for the general route of the main storm sewer that serves an area bounded by Camp Phillips on the east, Weston Avenue on the south, Schofield Avenue on the north, and Business Hwy 51 on the west. However, the main line also continues through Rothschild downstream from Weston. There have historically been problems with drainage in this basin, especially during the spring thaw, in a sub-area of this basin bounded by Birch Street, STH 29, Park Ridge Drive, and Shepherd Lane. The Village has been cautious to react on this part of the Jelinek-Huess basin without understanding the affects upstream and downstream. The modeling that is currently underway is intended to identify the best long-term solution and determine if there are any short-term options to help buy some time if the long-term solution is not easily implemented. Preliminary recommendations for the Jelinek-Huess



drainage basin should be available to the Village by the end of April. Similar modeling will be completed on the remainder of the Village.

PLUGGING CULVERTS IS ILLEGAL!

Wisconsin weather does have its predictabilities such as drought, summer rain showers, snowfall, and the spring thaw. As we all know, the spring runoff can be a bit unnerving at times due to the frozen ground and very little infiltration into the soils. This spring was no different, except the thawing did occur at a slower pace and kept flooding a little more localized. Some people feel that water runoff should not affect them or their property, even though it may have inundated the property at times in previous decades. This is wishful thinking in our climate. Obviously, the Village stormwater Utility, under direction of Public Works, takes proactive steps in identifying and correcting problem areas. **People do need to take responsibility for their own property for both property damage to themselves and adjacent parcels due to flooding in a lawful manner.**

From the picture, you can see that a determined party decided to alter both the right-of-way & drainage system and the natural flow by making a plug and inserting it into a culvert



under a village street. The result caused upland flooding and serious downstream flooding once the plug was removed. This single act almost flooded out one particular home. The Everest Metro Police Department has inspected the damaged culvert and is alert to any other such activity. Please do not cause malicious damage to the village's storm water conveyance system. The act may just backfire on you as well as have a high out of pocket cost!

WATER AND SANITARY SEWER SURVEYS

Village staff is currently compiling the data provided through the completed surveys about future water and sanitary sewer service for 3 neighborhoods along the north side of the Village. As of April 13, the Village has received 137 out of 213 surveys (64%) from the Yellow Banks area; 97 of 145 surveys (67%) from the River Bend/Powers area; and 101 of 161 surveys (63%) from the Callon Avenue area. The Village appreciates the time spent by those who have returned a completed survey. Those who didn't complete and return their survey are urged to still do so prior to May 6. Without information to the contrary, the Village will have to assume the answers from those that did not return a survey would be proportionate to the answers of those that did return them; e.g., if 64% of

those responding answered yes on a particular question, then 64% overall would have answered yes. If you would like another copy of the survey, please contact Valerie Parker at 359-6114. A summary of the survey results from each of the neighborhoods will be prepared in time for discussion at this summer's series of neighborhood meetings.

VILLAGE OF WESTON TAX RATE STILL LOW IN AREA

The combined assessed tax rate data for 2004 is complete and the Village of Weston is still one of the most affordable places to live for full-service communities in the area. The combined assessed tax rate is calculated by adding all the property taxes (Weston, DCE School District, Marathon County, NTC).

| <u>Municipality</u> | <u>Combined Rate</u> |
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| City of Wausau | \$26.01 |
| Rib Mountain | \$26.00 |
| Rothschild | \$23.41 |
| Schofield | \$22.89 |
| Kronenwetter (DCE) | \$22.67 |
| Kronenwetter (Mosinee) | \$22.34 |
| Village of Weston | \$22.02 |
| City of Mosinee | \$21.97 |

To calculate your taxes (especially for those residents that escrow with their banks) you must divide the assessed value of your home by \$1000 and then multiply that number by the combined rate. For example on a \$150,000 home your Weston taxes would be calculated as such:

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| $\$150,000 / \$1000 = 150 \times \$22.02 = \mathbf{\$3,303.00}$ |
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Taxes related to successful passage of the DCE School referendum authorizing school repair and the building of a new elementary school, are expected to increase 82 cents per / \$1000 home value. Village growth is expected to be roughly 10% in 2005 which should keep the local rate of \$5.45 / \$1000 stable.

*****SERVICE NOTICE*****

The Village will begin extensive street sweeping in May during the business week. Sweeping can kick up dust and stones. Please keep your cars from the road edge and you may wish to consider washing your car on the weekend to avoid the dust.



EVEREST METRO POLICE REPORT

A 51-year-old Weston woman was arrested for multiple counts of burglary after an exhaustive multi-jurisdictional investigation headed up by EMPD detectives. The string of burglaries began early last fall and included over thirty burglaries in the Weston and Schofield area. Detectives began to develop a pattern in the burglaries and then a task force of law enforcement agencies began meeting at the Everest Police Department to work on the crime spree. Officers from Merrill, Wausau, Marathon County, Shawano, Shawano County, Brown County and Oconto County had been working on their separate cases, and when it was discovered that there were many similarities in the cases, the task force was formed.

The woman was identified as a suspect in two of the burglaries, and from that point, her movements were monitored by law enforcement. On April 4th Marinette County Sheriff's Department was notified that she was in their county and was possibly committing burglaries. In the early morning hours, three burglaries were discovered, and the suspect was arrested leaving the area. She then confessed to those burglaries, and then confessed to all of the other burglaries to Everest Metro and Marinette County detectives.

The annual Everest Metro and Everest Optimists bicycle rodeo will be held at the Weston Safety Building on Saturday, May 7th, 2005 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Prior to the rodeo, we will be holding a bicycle and lost property auction beginning at 8:00 AM.

The Eau Claire River Trail vandals have been caught and will now enter a process called "Restorative Justice". This program will allow the Village to meet with the four teenagers and work out an appropriate punishment for the crime.

Speeding continues to be a concern, and we will be targeting areas for RED ZONES again this year. Sternberg Avenue and Norma Ave. will receive extra patrols until the traffic problems decrease.

Deputy Chief Loren White will be retiring after 30 years of service to the citizens of Weston. Loren served as a patrol officer, Sergeant, Captain and Deputy Chief. His vast knowledge base and diverse expertise will be missed. We are in the process of hiring a replacement officer, who will be assigned to the patrol division.

WESTON / WAUSAU JOINT FIRE TRAINING UNDERWAY

Since the signing of the Automatic Aid Agreement, the Weston Fire Department and the Wausau Fire Department have been diligently training together on a variety of items. Weston Fire Chief Mike Pierce has been familiarizing Wausau FD with our streets, critical target fire hazards, and working with hydrant compatibility and on-site command issues. Full-time firefighter Kris Grod has served as the principal trainer of Wausau fire personnel in the use of the ladder. On April 8, 11 and 12th EVOC (Emergency Vehicle Operations Class) was conducted by NTC Instructor James Palmer.

SCHOFIELD AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT

Schofield Mayor Krause and Village President Vilas Machmueller have begun talks on signing an automatic aid agreement between the two fire departments. An automatic aid agreement simply states that Schofield will answer all Weston calls and Weston will answer all Schofield calls immediately. Since many of Schofield's firefighters live in Weston, this should help increase fire call response. The automatic aid agreement is viewed as the first step toward a possible merged fire department. The agreement will not alter the placement of the aerial truck in Wausau.

VILLAGE CONTRACTS WITH ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

The Village of Weston has hired SST Services LLC to perform electrical inspections in the community and to enforce the new electrical code on new buildings. SST Services LLC is owned by village resident Scott Tatro, a certified commercial electrical inspector.

"With the amount of commercial building underway in the Village, we thought it was about time that we step up our inspection service in the electrical area. Not only for code compliance sake, but as a fire prevention measure", said Fred Schuster, Village Trustee and member of the Public Safety Committee.

SST Services has already been successful in preventing a handful of potential fire hazards and electrical compliance issues. The electrical inspection program is supported by inspection fees and is not paid for by property tax dollars.



TOWN OF WESTON NEWS & VIEWS

2005 TORNADO AND SEVERE WEATHER WEEK

Governor Doyle has proclaimed the week of April 18-22, 2005 as Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week in Wisconsin with a statewide tornado drill to be conducted on Thursday, April 22, using the following time schedule:

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| 1:00 PM | Mock Tornado Watch |
| 1:10 -1:15 PM | Mock Tornado Warning |
| 2:00 PM | End of drill |

There are several warning sirens located in our community including one in the Town of Weston located on the corner of Fust Lane and Townline Road that will be activated during this time. If actual severe weather occurs anywhere in the state on April 21, the drill will be rescheduled, following the same schedule, on Friday April 22, 2005.

DOG LICENSES

Town of Weston ordinances as well as WI State Statute 174.07(1)(a) require dog licenses for any dog over 5 months of age. The licensing fee for male or female dogs is \$ 10.00 each. If your dog has been spayed or neutered, the fee is \$ 5.00 each. Kennel licenses are available for up to 12 dogs at a cost of \$50.00. A copy of the vaccination receipt from your veterinarian is required for each dog in order to process either a single or kennel license. This information along with the dog's name, breed and color can be mailed with the required fee to the Town of Weston office at 5209 Mesker Street, Weston, WI 54476. The dog tag(s) and receipt will be mailed to you. If you have any questions regarding this procedure, please contact Clerk/Treasurer, Robin Unrau at 241-8209, or email townofwestonclerk@g2a.net.



SPRING CLEANUP

Spring clean up will take place this year from Monday, May 9 through Friday, May 13, along with roadside pick-up on your normal garbage day. Please have all items to be picked up, roadside by 7:00 a.m. Bulk item drop-off dates are Thursday and Friday, May 19th and 20th – 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 21st – 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. at the Village Municipal Center. Please see the Drop off Location Policy included in the Focus if you have any questions.

2005 TOWN OF WESTON ROAD CONSTRUCTION

FUST LANE

The town is planning to prepare Fust Lane for blacktopping in 2006. At the February meeting the Town Board decided to remove a portion of the hill at the intersection of Fust Lane and Townline Road. We believe it is a safety concern of not being able to stop at the stop sign when the road conditions are slippery. We plan on making a 50-foot level spot before the stop sign and cut the hill down to 7 percent slope.

RIVER ROAD AND EAST GUSMAN

We have begun to remove the trees and rocks along both sides of the roadways. Our goal is to improve the driver's visibility for deer and improve the drainage under the road with deeper ditches.

TOWNLIN AND CAMP PHILLIPS

Marathon County will construct a four way stop and leveling of the area on each side of the stop signs at the intersection of Townline Road and Camp Phillips Road. This has been the site of several accidents over the years and this is their plan to help make it a safer intersection. This work will begin some time in July. They will also be filling in a portion of the low area just to the east of that intersection.

POLLWORKERS NEEDED

The Town of Weston is again seeking names for our pollworkers roster. If you are a Town of Weston resident and have an interest in serving at elections as a pollworker, please contact Clerk/Treasurer Unrau at 241-8209. Pollworkers are paid \$125.00 per election and are required to be on duty from approximately 7:30 AM to 8:30 PM election day.

OPEN BURNING

Open burning in the Town of Weston is **prohibited** unless you are burning clean, dry wood for cooking or recreational purposes. If burning clean dry wood, you may only burn between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and Midnight with the exception of Sundays and legal holidays when no burning is permitted. Other types of burning may be allowed only after a permit has been obtained from the Everest Metro Fire Chief. Please call Clerk/Treasurer Unrau if you have questions regarding the open burning ordinance in the Town of Weston.

TAXPAYER QUESTION OF THE MONTH – TRAFFIC SIGNALS

The answer to February's questions were **TGIFridays** and the **Farmers' Market**. This month's question deals with traffic control.

Pick the Intersection that you feel warrants traffic signals:

- () Shorey & Camp Phillips
- () Jelinek & Alderson
- () Mesker & Schofield
- () Schofield & County J

Return your answers to 5500 Schofield Avenue or call the Village Administrator at 241-2600.

INCUMBENTS RETURNED TO OFFICE, WEIRAUCH ELECTED MUNICIPAL JUDGE

Taxpayers re-elected Vilas Machmueller to Village President and returned Dave Diesen, Steve Meinel and Fred Schuster to their offices as Village Trustee in the spring elections. President Machmueller will be making committee appointments in May. If you are interested in serving on the Parks Committee, Planning Commission, Finance Committee, Public Safety Committee, Personnel Committee or Public Works & Utilities Committee please contact Village Administrator Dean Zuleger at 241-2600.

Voters also selected write-in candidate Kristine Weirauch to municipal judge. Weirauch is a member of the WI State Bar and will replace Judge Harlan Kamke who is retiring after 30 plus years of service. The Municipal Court serves the City Of Schofield and the Village of Weston and meets on Tuesdays. The Municipal Court is now issuing warrants for arrests for unpaid municipal citations and using tax refund intercept procedures to recover fines – so please pay your tickets in a timely manner.

VILLAGE MASCOT CONTEST

The Village is looking for help from our kids! Children from the ages of 5 to 12 are encouraged to submit a name and a drawing for a new Village of Weston Mascot. A local woman has agreed to sew a costume for a mascot that will show up at community events like the farmer's market, bike rodeo, and St. Clare's Run – all we need is your ideas and a name. Think of a name (like Woody the Woodchuck or Vilas the Vole) and send us a picture to "Village Mascot", 5500 Schofield Avenue, Weston, WI 54476. The winner will receive a party for 10 at the Weston Aquatic Center.

ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP

SPRING YARD WASTE PICKUP –
MAY 9TH – 13TH
ON YOUR NORMAL GARBAGE DAY

BULK ITEM DROP OFF – MAY 19TH – 21ST
FROM 8:00 AM – 3 PM (THURS & FRI)
8:00 AM – 11:00 AM (SAT)
AT THE WESTON MUNICIPAL CENTER

YAEGER SALVAGE LARGE ITEM COUPON
PERIOD – MAY 19TH – JUNE 11TH

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VILLAGE OF WESTON AND TOWN OF WESTON

2005 Spring Clean Up, Bulk Item Drop Off, and Yard Waste Recycle Drop off Location Policy

General Information:

This policy has been established to minimize and insure Village of Weston and Town of Weston expenses associated with handling and disposal of materials received during Spring/Fall yard waste cleanup, bulk item drop off, and summer yard waste at the Municipal Yard Waste Recycle site, are associated with **only** Village and Town of Weston resident waste.

Roadside Service Date:

Spring Yard Waste Pick Up Week

May 9 – May 13 Curbside by 7:00 a.m. **on the day of your regular refuse pickup.** We will make one pass through the neighborhood. Materials not at curbside will have to be taken by the resident to the yard waste transfer site at the Municipal Center.

Yard Waste Items:

Un-bagged thatch, leaves, grass clippings, pine needles and brush less than (6") in diameter. The Village utilizes a leaf vacuum system, which requires yard waste to be brought to the back of the curb or gravel roadway shoulder. **DO NOT BAG ANY YARD WASTE.**

Yard waste is to be placed in a row in piles, which do not exceed 8' wide and 4' high along roadside. Piles are to be placed so as to be **clear of power poles, trees and mailboxes** for ease of pickup. Brush is to be **kept separate from yard waste** and placed at roadside with stump ends of limbs placed in same direction, **parallel** with the roadway.

SPRING BULK ITEM RESIDENT DROP OFF/YARD WASTE RECYCLE SITE

Bulk Item Drop off Site Locations:

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| Bulk Item Location No. 1 & No. 2 | Village of Weston Municipal Center |
| Bulk Item Location No. 3 | Yaeger Auto Salvage |
| Bulk Item Location No. 4 | Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility |
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| | Area wide Business and Resident Site |

A LOCATION MAP IS AVAILABLE AT THE MUNICIPAL CENTER

**Bulk Item Drop Off
Location No. 1:**

BULK ITEM DROP OFF

Village of Weston Municipal Center- Proof of Residency Required

5500 Schofield Avenue

(715) 359-6114

3rd Weekend of May (May 19 - May 21)

Thursday, May 19 - 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Friday, May 20 - 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 21 - 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

NOTE: Not all types of bulk items will be accepted at the Weston Municipal Center. Read carefully to determine the correct location for drop off of your type of item. Mixed loads will not be accepted at any location.

Only Items Accepted:

Non-metal items, furniture, carpeting, scrap lumber, mattresses, and glass windows.

Residents:

Village/Town of Weston residents - No Charge

Businesses:

Village of Weston businesses will be charged a handling rate charge.

Handling rate schedule per/load:

Typical auto trailer (4' X 8" X 4') \$10.00

Pick up truck \$10.00

Large auto trailer (excess of 8' length) \$12.00

Single axle dump truck \$18.00

**Bulk Item
Location No. 2:**

Village of Weston Municipal Center Yard Waste Recycle Site

5500 Schofield Avenue

(715) 359-6114

Only un-bagged material accepted: Brush, grass, leaves, pine needles.

RESIDENTS ONLY:

Village and Town of Weston residents upon proof of residency may dispose of yard waste. Free of charge.

Residents clearing lots are to use Location # 5 for disposal.

BUSINESSES: Example: Nurseries, Lawn Care Companies, Mobile Home Parks, and Contractors, in summary, are prohibited from disposing any yardwaste or brush at this site. Please refer to Yard Waste Location # 5.

Yard Waste Site Hours: Open 7 days a week – 7:30 AM to 8:00 PM

**Bulk Item
Location No. 3:**

Yaeger Auto Salvage

8205 Camp Phillips Road, Weston
(715) 359-3606

May 19 - June 11, 2005

The Village of Weston will provide one (1) coupon slip to each residential property owner, which will allow the resident to dispose of described items at the Village expense. Coupon must be given to office personnel at Yaeger Auto Salvage at the time of disposal. Coupon will be in effect from **May 19 to June 11, 2005** and can be used anytime during these dates. **Coupon may be picked up at the Village of Weston Municipal Center**, or you may call and request to have your coupon mailed to your home address.

Items and amounts that will be accepted with NON - BUSINESS RESIDENT coupon and paid for by the Village/Town of Weston are limited to the following:

One (1) each of any of the following items:

Refrigerator, washer, dryer, residential furnace, dishwasher, garbage disposal, water softener, stove, TV, computer monitor, Stereo, dehumidifier, freezer, room air conditioner, microwave, vacuum, tractor tire.

Four (4) of the following items: Bike\Mower tires.

*****You may pay \$3 each for 16" or less Truck/Car Tires.***

**Any of the following items will be accepted at Yaeger Salvage,
HOWEVER, THESE ITEMS WILL NOT BE PAID FOR
BY THE VILLAGE/TOWN - ALL WILL BE AT OWNER'S EXPENSE!**

Disposal hours are during business hours only.

No After Hour Disposal at the Gate is Permitted.

Yaeger Auto Salvage Business Hours:

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

Coupon good from May 19 to June 11, 2005.

Sealed Containers:

Not accepting any container that had hazardous waste in them - chemicals, poisons, or radioactive materials, etc. No paint cans.

Accepting any drained non-hazardous container - oil, gas, tar or antifreeze

55-gallon whole drums, un-smashed (empty of contents)

30-gallon whole drums, un-smashed (empty of contents)

5-gallon whole drums, un-smashed (empty of contents)

Non-refillable LP tanks, Freon bottles

Refillable LP tanks

275-gallon basement fuel tank

Automotive and small truck tires, with or without rims

Heavy truck and semi tires, with or without rims

Loader or tractor tires

Metal items

Miscellaneous:

Capacitors, fluorescent ballasts

Undrained compressors

***** Not accepting drain oil or oil filters***

ACCEPTING AT YAEGERS AT NO CHARGE-ALL THE TIME: any scrap metal items may be dropped off, examples: bicycles, bed frames, metal shelving, metal lawn furniture, metal sheds.

**Bulk Item
Location No. 4:**

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
301 Alderson Street, Schofield
Marathon County Health Department(715) 261-1900
Or the Solid Waste Department (715) 446-3339
Open every second and fourth weekend of the month (See Below)*
Friday 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Dates for 2005*

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| April 8, 9 April 22, 23 | May 13, 14 May 27, 28 | June 10, 11 June 24, 25 | July 8, 9 July 22, 23 | August 12, 13 August 26, 27, |
| September 9, 10 September 23,24 | October 14,15 October 28,29 | November 11, 12 December 9,10 | | |

Accepts only hazardous waste.

Marathon County residents can drop off their hazardous waste free of charge at the County's Permanent Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. Common hazardous wastes that that are accepted at the facility include:

- Lawn Chemicals
- Garden Chemicals
- Cleaning Solvents
- Automotive Fluids
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs
- Solvent-based Adhesives, Glues
- Mercury Products
- Degreasers
- Lead-based Paints

(No latex or non-lead oil paints accepted)

** *Latex and non-lead paints are disposable with regular trash by evaporating the liquid, and allowing the paint to harden.*

- Batteries AAA thru D size -heavy duty; AAA thru D size batteries – alkaline; 9 volt batteries – like those used in fire detectors; button batteries – typically used in watches & hearing aids; rechargeable battery packs; NiCad – Nickel Cadmium; and Mercury or Lithium – typically used in laptop computers, cellular phones, etc. Lead Acid will not be accepted at this facility.

**Yard Waste
Location No. 5:**

**Weston Disposal & Recycling – Area wide site open to Businesses and Residents
Located at the North End of Grossman Dr.**

Open April 14 – November 14 - Closed Sundays and Holidays

Attendant available Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM. After hours and Saturday disposal
Call Tito Inc. Office – 355-6841, Dan Babl – 573-9964 or 573- 6841

Summary of Items Accepted:

Tree debris (logs, branches, brush), yard waste (grass, leaves, soil), stumps, concrete and uncrushable concrete with wire, blacktop, topsoil with sod and roots.

Items NOT Accepted:

Railroad ties, tires, contaminated material, shingles, plywood.



WESTON AQUATIC CENTER FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

Weston, WI 54476

PH. (715) 359-6114 or (715) 241-7946

"Largest Outdoor Water Park in Central Wisconsin"

Opening: Friday, June 10th 11:00 am to 8:00 pm Daily

Admissions: \$ 3.00 Youth (17 and under) - \$ 4.00 Adult
\$3.00 Senior (62 and over) - \$2.00 after 6:00 p.m. (all ages)



SWIM LESSONS

Beginning Monday, June 20th

Call 359-6114 For Registration Information or check our **web site: www.westonwisconsin.org**

PARTY PACKAGE

CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY or SPECIAL OCCASION WITH US !

Party Package \$ 6.00 Per Person Includes
Admission, Pizza, Pop, Ice Cream, Party Table and Name Announced

FAMILY SEASON PASS SPECIAL

Purchase by May 13th, 2005

\$ 89.00 Village of Weston Resident – Regular \$ 99.00

\$ 119.00 Non-Resident – Regular \$ 130.00

WESTON AQUATIC CENTER SEASON PASS APPLICATION

To purchase a resident season pass, you must reside in the Village of Weston and show proof of residency. A family season pass may be purchased for immediate family members only (immediate family meaning husband, wife, sons or daughters) living in the same household. (Relatives, grandchildren, friends, babysitters, etc., living in your home or spending the day, week or the summer may not be part of a family season pass.)

Check the Season Pass you are purchasing

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL – NEEDS TO BE PURCHASED BY MAY 13, 2005

RESIDENT SEASON FAMILY PASS \$ 89.00 _____
NON-RESIDENT SEASON FAMILY PASS \$119.00 _____

AFTER MAY 13TH, 2005

Resident Individual \$ 49.00 _____
Resident Family \$ 99.00 _____
Resident Senior Citizen (62 and over) \$ 25.00 _____
Non-resident Individual \$ 90.00 _____
Non-resident Family \$130.00 _____
Non-resident Senior Citizen (62 and over) \$ 50.00 _____

AFTER JULY 15TH, 2005: Resident/Non-Resident Family Pass \$55.00 _____

PUNCH CARD (AVAILABLE PRE-SEASON ONLY) (20 punches) \$60.00 _____

(No refunds for lost or stolen punch cards)

Family Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

| First Name | Last Name | Address |
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I, the undersigned, accept full responsibility for the terms and conditions of the purchase of a season pass. I certify that the information I have given is true and accurate. I understand that false use of a season pass will result in card forfeiture.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____