

# Town of Stockton

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## Newsletter October, 2014

### **Dates to Remember**

**October 15<sup>th</sup>** – Last day to register to vote by mail. After this date, voters may register in Clerk's office until October 31<sup>st</sup> or at the polls. Proof of residence is required for new applicants, name or address changes, and expired registrations.

**October 20<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>**– Vote in-person by absentee ballot in the Clerk's office, Monday to Friday from 8am to 5pm by appointment only. You may also apply to vote absentee by mail until Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Visit [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov) or call the Town Clerk's office to request an application to vote absentee by mail. Photo ID NOT required November 4th.

**October 31<sup>st</sup>** – Trick or Treat hours are the same as the City of Stevens Point, 5pm to 8 pm on Halloween night.

**November 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Set clocks back one hour/change smoke detector batteries.

**November 4<sup>th</sup>** – Fall General Election, 7am to 8pm at Town Hall for Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Assembly District 71 Representative, County Sheriff, Coroner, Clerk of Circuit Court, Congressional District 3, and referendums on the Statewide Transportation Fund, WI Minimum Wage Increase, and Federal Funding for Badgercare. **State law requiring photo identification to vote put on hold by Supreme Court.**

**November 13<sup>th</sup>** – A public hearing immediately followed by a Meeting of the Electorate convenes at 6:30pm to consider the proposed 2015 Town of Stockton budget at the Town Hall.

**2<sup>nd</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of December** – Portage County Treasurer will mail property tax bill and bill for 2014 garbage/recycling services received. Please direct questions to the County Treasurer's office at (715) 346-1348 or our assessor, B.A. Pauls/Associates, at (715) 848-9300.

**December 1<sup>st</sup>** – First day to circulate nomination papers for municipal office due January 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **What is going on with the project at Old 18 & Burbank Roads?**

Paving to improve the intersection and railroad crossing is expected October 5<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>. All attempts will be made to keep the intersection open but expect traffic delays during this time.

#### **Any restrictions on burning leaves?**

Burning permits in Portage County are not required this time of year but you are responsible for your fire. Call (888) 947-2876 to check burning restrictions, burn on damp evenings when winds are calm, keep off the road, and call the Sheriff before and after you burn.

#### **Why can't I plow or shovel snow into the road or into the opposite ditch?**

This creates bumps, ice dams, or hazardous piles of snow on the road and causes snow to blow onto the road. Once driven on or frozen, these bumps are extremely difficult to plow and may cause a passing vehicle to lose control. If you are plowing snow across the road, clean the road immediately for safe driving for others. Otherwise, you will be notified that you are breaking the law according to Wis. Statutes 86.01. If the town needs to clean up after you, you will be billed for the work. A 2<sup>nd</sup> warning will include a fine of **\$50.00** from the Town of Stockton as stated in the Town Snow Removal Ordinance 0-08-01.

#### **When is a driveway permit needed?**

Driveway permits are the first step when considering a second driveway or new structure off a Town Road (contact Portage County if you are on a County road). The permit form will help determine the need for a fire number or culvert and assure that the placement of the driveway meets the spacing requirements between driveways. The approved driveway is supposed to be the sole access point to avoid damage to road edges and allow proper drainage. Second driveways ideally should be a spur from the main driveway. Please contact the Town Hall when considering a first or second driveway.

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## WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE POLLING PLACE ON NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>

Now that people are required to present their photo identification, voting at your polling place will be a little different. Just remember to be patient; not everyone will be as prepared for these changes as you are.

### State It

As always, you'll need to state your full name and address for the election official who checks you in. They'll check your information in the poll book. If you do not appear in the poll book because you're a new voter, new to Stockton, your address or name changed, or your registration expired, you'll need to complete the Voter Registration Application and provide Proof of Residence with your current address on it (even if we know you). You can complete the form online at [myvote.wi.gov](http://myvote.wi.gov) and bring it with you. You can also mail or email Clerk Mike Taylor a copy of the form with proof of residence or register in-person.

### Show It

You'll next show your Photo ID so poll workers can compare your face to your photo and confirm that you really are you. Unlike Proof of Residence, the address on your Photo ID doesn't have to be current and the name on your ID doesn't need to be an exact match with your name in the poll book (Richards who go by Rich or Susans with IDs that say Sue can relax). Your ID should look like you, even if you've colored your hair, shaved your beard or lost some weight. **PHOTO ID LAW PUT ON HOLD BY SUPREME COURT 10/9/2014.**

### Acceptable Photo ID's, unexpired or expired after November 6, 2012 election:

- A Wisconsin DOT-issued driver license, even if driving privileges are revoked or suspended
- A Wisconsin DOT-issued identification card *available at the DMV service center behind Target in Stevens Point*
- A Wisconsin DOT-issued identification card or driver license without a photo issued under the religious exemption
- Military ID card issued by a U.S. uniformed service
- A U.S. passport
- An *unexpired* identification card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin
- A photo identification card issued by a Wisconsin accredited university, college or technical college that contains date of issuance, signature of student, and an expiration date no later than two years after date of issuance. **Also, the university, college or technical college ID must be accompanied by a separate document that proves enrollment.**
- Contact the Clerk's office for other acceptable forms of unexpired Photo ID or visit: <http://bringit.wisconsin.gov/>.

### Sign It

Finally, you'll sign the poll book (unless a physical disability prevents it). Your signature or mark should go right next to your name and address. Now you're ready to vote.

