

VILLAGE OF FREDONIA

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Letter from our Village President... Chuck Lapicola



Hello Fredonia,

First, I want to mention that I have regular office hours at Village Hall every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. Of course, you may call me at 262-447-2062, email me at clapicola@village.fredonia.wi.us, or come to our Village meetings where you will always be very welcome.

I want to keep you informed of the things the Village Board is currently working on. Foremost, we are working to get the engineering started on Fredonia Avenue. As you can see, there are problems with the paving that need to be fixed soon. As with any major multiyear project, there are other accompanying issues which need to be addressed. Some issues are (1) Bury utilities? (2) Widen due to state requirements? (3) Put in new water main? (4) New curb and gutter? (5) New surface water drains along roadway? (6) Get the roadway put on the State Transportation Plan (which means the State pays 80% of roadway costs).

I am currently rewriting the Fredonia Parks and Recreation Plan. By doing this, we will be qualified to receive grants for some of our recreation projects. This plan will be reviewed by the Parks Committee and by the County Planner. After reviewed and accepted by the State, we will be able to compete for grants. Speaking of parks, the Parks Committee is currently putting together a disk golf course in the Marie Kraus Park/Wastewater Treatment Plant area. This should be a great addition to our recreation facilities. If you find issues with any of our facilities, please call Village Hall to advise us of the problem, so it can be taken care of.

We have created a new temporary committee to work together with our Volunteer Fire Department/EMS to discuss our current and future needs. For this, we have gone to our Facility Master Plan to check what our consultants planned for the future, and what if any, changes need to be made. This committee is the Fire Department Modernization Committee. We also have some equipment replacements coming up in the next few years. One large piece of equipment is the tanker truck, which is used to haul water to areas that do not have water, or enough water, to fight fires. The other piece of equipment is the ambulance.

Our Police Department is back to normal since the fire at the old village hall. We have fixed and replaced many fire damaged items in the building, plus upgraded some lights, heating and electrical work. I also wish to commend our Police Department for the great job in recently apprehending some thieves that just burglarized a home in Waubeka. The thieves were caught speeding here in Fredonia. When they were pulled over, one of the policemen were busy with the ticket, while the other noticed guns and objects in the van from the burglarized house. Luckily, we had two officers on duty at the time.

We are starting a mailing list of folks that wish to be informed of doings in our Village Government. Those on the list will receive emails of meeting and agenda notifications. This list is called "Friends of Fredonia". From time to time, we will use this list for public outreach when a matter of importance comes up. Please fill in your email address on your enclosed water and sewer bill along with your telephone or cell phone number. You can also send a message to Sandi at stretow@village.fredonia.wi.us, so that you can be added to the Friends of Fredonia List. You will receive meeting notices and be able to come to meetings where you have an interest or send a note with concerns.

Bye for now with more information coming soon about these and other issues.

Chuck

CELEBRATE FREDONIA

Mark **Saturday, August 20th** on your calendar for **Celebrate Fredonia 2011!** The event will kick off at noon with a parade. There will be food, beverages, music and fun for all ages at Fireman's Park along with fireworks at dusk. Watch for additional details posted on the Fredonia website and in the local newspapers. You can also check it out on our Facebook page! This event is made possible through the generosity of area businesses and community members. If your group, family or business would like to be in the parade, or if you would like to make a donation for this event, please call Mark Edbauer Sr. at 262-353-1683. We are also seeking volunteers to help at the event. Please call Mark if you would be able to lend a hand. Thanks!



FREDONIA VILLAGE REPRESENTATIVES

You may call any of the following board members with your concerns or questions:

President: Chuck Lapicola 262-447-2062
Office Hours Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Trustees: Jill Bertram 692-2701
Fritz Buchholtz 692-9470
Don Dohrwardt 692-9650
Mark Edbauer 262-353-1683
Scott Ehaney 692-2451

Village Board Meetings: The Fredonia Village Board meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fredonia Government Center Board Room.

Plan Commission: The Fredonia Plan Commission meets the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fredonia Government Center. **Due to the 4th of July, the next meeting is July 11th.**

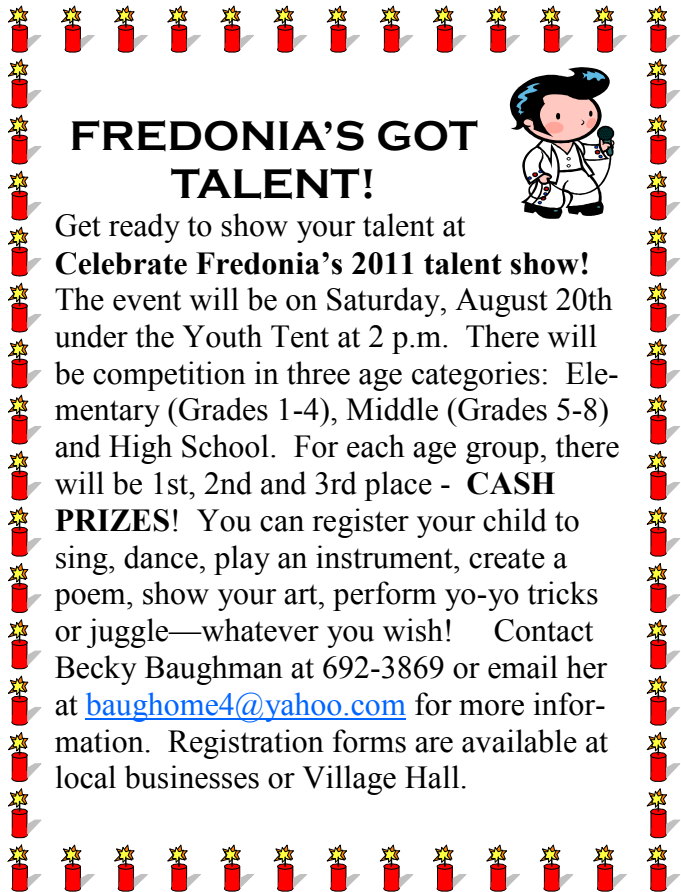
Architectural Control Board: The Architectural Control Board meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Fredonia Government Center.

Other committee meetings are scheduled as needed. Please check the bulletin board in front of the Fredonia Government Center, at Port Washington State Bank and at Associated Bank for notices of all committee and board meetings, or sign up to receive all meeting notices by email. All meetings are open to the public.





FREDONIA'S GOT TALENT!



Get ready to show your talent at **Celebrate Fredonia's 2011 talent show!** The event will be on Saturday, August 20th under the Youth Tent at 2 p.m. There will be competition in three age categories: Elementary (Grades 1-4), Middle (Grades 5-8) and High School. For each age group, there will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place - **CASH PRIZES!** You can register your child to sing, dance, play an instrument, create a poem, show your art, perform yo-yo tricks or juggle—whatever you wish! Contact Becky Baughman at 692-3869 or email her at baughme4@yahoo.com for more information. Registration forms are available at local businesses or Village Hall.



WARM WEATHER REMINDERS:

- **Dog Owners** - Please be considerate and quiet your barking dog as your neighbors may have their windows open. Also, when you walk your dog, be sure it is on a leash and that you **clean up after it**. 
- **Tree Trimming Required** - Village Ordinance 6-4-7 requires that all trees on private property in the Village with branches extending over a public sidewalk be trimmed so that no branches hang over the sidewalk lower than eight feet above the sidewalk.
- **Water Meter Register Access** - Keep bushes trimmed and do not place anything in front of the outside water meter registers so that the village crew will have an easy view when reading meters. Gates and fences **must** be unlocked to gain access to your water meter.
- **Tornado Season** - If a Tornado Warning is issued  for Fredonia, the siren will sound for three minutes. Please take shelter immediately as this warning means that a tornado sighting has been confirmed. The siren will also sound for testing purposes on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. from March through November.
- **Curfew** - Persons under the age of 16 are not allowed out after 11:00 p.m. unless accompanied by a parent or guardian, except when attending a school function or returning home from their place of employment.
- **Bicyclists** - Bicycle riders must obey the same traffic rules as automobiles. For safety, bicycles should be ridden single file on the far right side of the road. Bicycle helmet use is encouraged. 
- **Basketball Hoops** are not to be placed in the roadway. They are not only a traffic hazard,  but it also encourages children to play in the road, which is dangerous.
- **Village Parks** close at 9:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. People in the parks after hours are subject to a fine.
- **Motorized Scooters** are not legal on streets unless the operator is a licensed driver.
- Village Code **prohibits** hunting, discharging of firearms - including B.B. guns and paintball guns, or explosives - including fireworks within village limits.

FREDONIA WATER & SEWER

Occasionally someone will have a problem with their plumbing; a leaky faucet, a toilet that runs or a water heater rusts which causes a large amount of water usage. Although the village is responsible for water main breaks in the street, anything on the homeowner's side of the lateral connection is the property owners responsibility. This includes the cost of the water. The current water and sewer rates are as follows:

SEWER RATES FIXED CHARGE

5/8"	meter	\$ 43.32
1"	meter	\$ 64.98
1 1/2"	meter	\$108.30
2"	meter	\$173.29
3"	meter	\$281.59
4"	meter	\$433.22

Plus volume charges of \$3.38 per 1,000 gallons of sewer discharged.

WATER RATES MINIMUM QUARTERLY CHARGE

5/8"	meter	\$ 7.79
1"	meter	\$ 13.80
1 1/4"	meter	\$ 17.97
1 1/2"	meter	\$ 25.17
2"	meter	\$ 35.97
2 1/2"	meter	\$ 53.94
3"	meter	\$ 71.90
4"	meter	\$113.89

PLUS CONSUMPTION CHARGES

1st	30,000 gal.	\$1.44/M gal.
Next	70,000 gal.	1.30/M gal.
Next	200,000 gal.	1.12/M gal.
Over	300,000 gal.	.96/M gal.

The Fredonia Water & Sewer Utility offers residents the option of installing a 2nd meter for outside use only. The meter is provided by the village. However, you will need to contact a plumber to determine the cost of installation of the meter. There is a \$2.00 minimum charge per quarter on the additional 5/8" meter, plus consumption charge for water only. We recommend any new home-owner who will be putting in a lawn consider this option. You will not be charged any sewer fees on this second meter, therefore saving you \$3.38 per 1,000 gallons of usage.

DISPOSING OF "SHARPS" WASTE

It is against the law for residents to dispose of sharps (needles, syringes and lancets) in their regular garbage. Sharps pose a health risk to garbage haulers and workers who might accidentally be stuck by them. They are considered infectious waste and must be disposed of properly in a container made specifically for sharps. Ask your local doctor, clinic, or pharmacy if they are a registered sharps collector. You can also contact the DNR at 608-266-2111, the American Diabetes Association at 888-342-2382 or the UW Extension at 608-257-3665 for locations of registered sharps collection stations.



HOW FLAMMABLE IS YOUR TENT?

Most tents, even those that are labeled flame resistant, will burn, so keep all sources of heat or flames at a safe distance. To prevent serious fire or burn, follow these suggestions:



1. Read the labels before purchasing a tent. Buy only a flame resistant tent.
2. Pitch your tent at least 15 feet upwind from grills and fireplaces.
3. Have an escape plan, and be prepared to cut your way out of the tent if a fire occurs.
4. Use only battery-operated lights in or near tents and campers.
5. Keep a fire extinguisher or container of water available at all times.
6. Maintain at least a three-foot clear area, free of leaves, dry grass, pine needles etc., around grills, fireplaces and tents.
7. Thoroughly extinguish all fires, and turn off fuel lanterns and stoves, before leaving the campsite or going to bed.

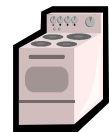
WHEN IS A BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED?

Building permits are required for any new construction, any structural change, or any project that exceeds \$500 in value. Permits are needed for decks, sheds, most remodeling projects, installation of a bay or bow window, and basement fix-ups. If you aren't sure if a permit is needed, please check with the village hall at 692-9125 **before** you begin. Some permit applications need to be reviewed by the Architectural Control Board, so allow plenty of time to obtain your permit. A permit is **NOT** needed for re-siding or re-roofing.



THANK YOU!

To the Lion's Club for donating a new kitchen stove to our Fire Department. We appreciate your generosity!



NEW AND EXCITING!

As a new service for our residents, we are offering the ability to direct pay your water and sewer bill! All you need to do is fill out a quick form with your checking or savings account information, and then your payment will automatically be deducted from your bank account on the due date. No hassles, no worries, no late fees! Call or stop at Village Hall, and we will get you started. Of course, you may continue to mail your payment, or drop it off at Village Hall, at Port Washington State Bank or at Associated Bank.

THANKS!

The 2011 Fredonia Area Rummage Sale was a big success. Thank you to everyone who participated. The Fredonia Lioness will be having a rummage sale again next year!