

Town of Dayton News
Richland County WI
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This letter is written as an overview of the Town of Dayton operations for 2017. Its purpose is to inform the residents of the Town of Dayton how their tax dollars were spent. Projects that were completed this year are listed, as well as the main projects for 2018. The Town meetings are normally held the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM. Residents are welcome to attend the monthly meetings. **Note: Town of Dayton Web site is daytontownshiprc.com**

- The following roads received maintenance in 2017: The west end of Tuckaway Valley Rd received some patch spot seal coating and then the road was seal coated. Hidden Valley was seal coated. Kestrel Ridge Rd had a spot that broke up and needed additional base and was resealed. The total miles of road seal coated in 2017 was 4.38 miles plus the Kestrel Ridge Rd. The total amount spent on seal coating was (\$60,544 for 2017, plus seal coat chips cost was \$7,323. We were unable to seal coat Kanton Rd because we just didn't have the money in the budget to do it this year.
- The town spent \$851.23 this year for new road signs, posts, and hardware.
- The total spent for asphalt patch for town roads was approximately \$2,500.
- The town spent \$15,773 for sand and salt for the 2016-2017 winter months. This year along with rock salt we are trying a new material that will still work up to 15 degrees below zero. It is called pinkicemelt.
- The town's cost to furnish ambulance service for township residents for 2018 will be \$4,750. This should be the same for 2019 per our EMS meetings. The money to pay for EMS presently comes out of money that should be spent on road maintenance. By doing this it could hurt us in the future because of how transportation aid is figured. Presently there is no state help for EMS services for towns even though we are the ones who need to see that the town is covered. In the near future we may have to ask for special tax levy for funding EMS. (Please give that some thought) The township spends over \$22,000 for fire protection with the RCFD. (Richland County Fire District) which includes paying for persons who don't carry insurance for accidents when the department is called out for duty crew assistance.
- The 2018 road plans are to seal coat the following roads: Buckhorn Ln, Dayton Ridge Rd, and Kanton Rd/ Beach Tree which was not done in 2017. The Town hopes to finish the Mutch Ln TRIP road project. All roads will be inspected again in the spring to finalize the road plans.

Special thanks goes to Kerry Gies, our full time employee, for all he does to keep the town roads maintained and equipment in good running condition. Also thanks to the other persons who assist Kerry with patching, brushing, and other jobs as needed. Thanks go to each of you who help the town and Kerry during winter with snow and ice storms.

The Town of Dayton Budget hearing was held November 8, 2017. The total operation budget for 2018 is \$300,111 with a town tax levy of \$142,574 which is what the state would allow us. It is a 3.54% increase for 2018. Out of that total \$212,988 is for highway projects, patrolman salary & retirement, fuel & equipment.

NOTE: Town equipment is NOT used for plowing or grading of private roads. If you need sand, plowing, or gravel, please contact a private contractor. Exception would be in emergency situations for fire and EMS assistance.

Please be reminded that the Town of Dayton is zoned and building, driveway, and other permits are required BEFORE doing a project requiring a permit. County zoning ordinances apply.

Note: The Town of Dayton has an unlicensed car ordinance. There are still several unusable, unlicensed cars on 3 or 4 properties in our township. You know who you are. Old used machinery can also be recycled. So please dispose of items by turning them in for CASH. Many salvage yards will also pick them up. Give them a call for prices etc.

Note: Town of Dayton residents are permitted to use the Richland Center landfill for disposal of waste and recyclable materials. Waste can be taken there on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday during posted hours. There is a dumping fee for waste material, but there is no cost for disposing of recyclables. Go to the Richland County WI Recycling webpage for information about Electronic and Tire recycling dates for 2018 and a list of items you can recycle.

NOTICE: A spring clean up is being planned again for 2018 with the Village of Boaz. It is normally held in late April or early May. A county wide electronic recycling is being planned for May 2018. The tire recycling dates of the county will be planned for early June.

Note: More volunteers are needed for Boaz First Responders. If interested, please call Ruth Bristol at 647-3970 for details.

Thank you. Chairman Richard Wastlick, Supervisors James Lingel and Kurt Monson.