

Town of Dayton Newsletter
Richland County WI
December 1, 2019

This letter is written as an overview of the Town of Dayton operations for 2019. 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 2020. 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: See meeting agenda at our Town of Dayton Web site at daytontownshiprc.com**

- The following roads received maintenance in 2019: The Town double seal coated Ewers Ln, Williams Ln, Gies Ln, and Muldowney Ln. The cost for doing these was \$34,845.00. These roads were single coated: Chicken Ridge East End, Christian Ln entrance, Buckhorn Ln, Johns Hill Rd, Soltis Ln entrance and Hill Rd for a cost of \$63,049.00. The total spent on these roads was \$97,894.00. \$8929.50 was spent for seal coat chips for these roads.
- The total spent for asphalt patch for town roads was \$5711.00 and \$18,577 was spent for gravel.
- The Town spent \$7494.00 for sand, pink ice melt and salt for the 2018-2019 winter months.
- The Town sold the 1994 International Truck and equipment. A new Heavy Duty Dodge 4 X 4 5500 truck with plow and sander was purchased for a cost of \$81,504.00
- The town's cost to furnish ambulance service for township residents has increased. The cost will be \$5100 through 2022. The money to pay for EMS presently comes out of the general budget. 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 since the department is called out for duty crew assistance.
- The Dayton First Responders has become affiliated with the Town of Dayton as a volunteer service for insurance purposes. Changes in insurance required for first responder groups made this affiliation necessary.
- Manning Ln, Oxford School Rd, Berres Ln, Staum Ln, Spring Valley Dr., and Lingel Ln. are planned for seal coating in 2020. Estimated cost for doing this is \$74,000. The town is applying for a 90/10 cost share program for Huth Dam and Huth School Road because of the problems with the county dam and water flooding the road. All roads will be inspected again in the spring to finalize the road plans.
- NOTE: The Town of Dayton will need to be completely reevaluated during years of 2020/2021 to stay in compliance with the state.

Special thanks goes to Kerry Gies, the full time employee, for all he does to keep the town roads maintained and equipment in good running condition. Also thanks to the part time employees who assist Kerry with patching, brushing, sanding & plowing and other jobs as needed.

The Town of Dayton Budget hearing was held November 13, 2019. The total operational budget for 2020 is \$319,797.14 with a town tax levy of \$146,399 which is what the state would allow us. \$227,673.00 of the total budget is for highway projects, patrolman salary & retirement, fuel & equipment. The remainder is used for other town expenses.

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. I note again 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 charge for waste material, but no charge for recyclables. Go to the Richland County WI Recycling webpage for information about Electronic and Tire recycling dates for 2020 and a list of items you can recycle.

NOTICE: A spring clean up is being planned again for 2020 with the Village of Boaz. A county wide electronic and tire recycling is being planned for 2020.

Note: In 2020, I will have served 31 years as a member of the Dayton Town Board. My plans are not to run in the next election. I will be almost 77 when my term is completed, so a new Chairman will be needed in a 2021. Please consider running for office. Give me a call if you have questions. NOTE: Being able to use a computer will be important since much information is online.

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