



Town of Eagle Point 2017 Newsletter



Town Board meetings are the third Monday of each month at 7:00 pm
 Fire Department meetings are the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm
 Planning Commission meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm

Town Hall Office: 288-6770, Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8:30 to 1, Thursday 1 to 6

Town Shop: 288-6473

Fire Department: 288-6221

Animal Control Officer: Lee O'Donnell 715-456-6102

Town Assessor: Randy Prochnow 715-309-2863

Town Website: townofeaglepoint@centurytel.net

For All Emergency Calls dial 911

Town Board: Dennis Ferstenou-Chairman 720-1226; Lawrence Frazer 933-2615;

Randy Woodruff-Supervisor 226-0129; Ruth Knapp-Treasurer 723-2778; Laurie Hebert-Clerk 829-1062

Fire Chief: Rocky Berg 226-1086

Planning Commission Members: Rick Bowe-Chairman, Dale Shipman-Vice Chair, Ron Woodruff-Secretary, Patty King, Dawn Lueck, Steve Soden, Dennis Ferstenou

Dog Licenses: By state law, all dogs must be licensed. Failure to license dogs is subject to citations and fines. Cost is \$15.00 per dog for the 2017 year. Please contact Ruth Knapp to obtain a license.

Animal Control: the Town has hired Lee O'Donnell to handle dogs and cats running at large in the Town. Please call him at 715-456-6102

Burning: no burning is allowed on Sundays or Holidays and during a burning ban. Only burn wood and brush from your property on your property. If you are in the DNR Fire Management Area you need to obtain an annual permit, contact Laurie Hebert or the DNR. You must call the Sheriff at 726-7701; prompt 1, prior to burning with the date and location.

Recycling Center: is located at 16306 165th Ave. open the **1st & 3rd Saturday of each month from 8:00 am to 1:00pm** excluding holidays and deer-hunting opener. The Center accepts plastics, metal, glass, paper, cardboard and brush. Appliances are accepted with a fee. Construction materials-no shingles, mattresses, and box springs will have a fee based on weight. NO garbage will be accepted. Unauthorized items being dumped and also items being left outside the gate, may result in the possible future closing of this Recycling Center.

Garbage: Waste Management is your provider for weekly residential curbside garbage and recyclables pick-up. Please contact them for new service or questions at 800-621-8884.

Town of Eagle Point Rentals: Contact Laurie Hebert 288-6770. The Town Hall, Pavilion, Concession Stand, and Ball Field are available for rent.

Fire Department: Contact Fire Chief Rocky Berg at 226-1086 for non- emergency calls or questions. The fire department is accepting applications for volunteer members. Application forms can be obtained from the town's website, or by contacting the town clerk.

Planning Commission: The Planning Commission's role using the Comprehensive Guide, is to review and make recommendations to the town board on matters dealing with zoning/land use, development, transportation, and community facilities. Eagle Point is under Chippewa County Zoning regulations.

2017 Town Newsletter Articles

Town Moves to a Five-Person Board



At the April 2017 Annual Meeting, the electors voted unanimously to expand the current three-person town board to a five-person board. The voters also elected to have the pay rate the same as the other two supervisors. Prior to voting to expand the board, the electors cited some key advantages to a larger town board. These included: 1. Eliminating situations where two board members are left with decision-making if one board member is absent due to illness, vacation, business, etc. 2. Bringing Eagle Point up-to-date with other towns throughout the state with populations over 3,000. For example, the Towns of Lafayette and Wheaton have five-person boards. 3. Providing greater representation of town residents. This will take effect at the spring 2019 election. Nomination papers are available to circulate on December 1, 2018.



Garbage and Recycling Service Update

At the September 19, 2016 town board meeting, the board voted to extend Waste Management's contract for an additional two years with a modest increase in fees. When the town solicited bids for garbage and recycling pick-up services in 2014, Waste Management was the successful bidder with very competitive rates. Considering the town's satisfaction with Waste Management and the continuing competitive rate schedule, the town board felt it was in the best interests of the town and residents to extend Waste Management's contract for another two years. Speaking of garbage, the town receives complaints about loose garbage (papers, fast food wrappers, etc.) in the town's right-of-way on garbage pickup day. Although the tendency is to blame the garbage service company, much of this littering could be eliminated if residents bag their garbage prior to placing it in the garbage cart. Loose garbage, including papers with your personal identification information, are easily caught by the wind when the garbage is transferred from your cart to the truck.

Town Right-of-Way Matters

From time-to-time, the town board observes two key right-of-way violations. These include filling of ditches and obstructions in the right-of-way such as planted trees, fences, large rocks and brick mailbox structures. Regarding filling in ditches, the top of the ditch needs to be at least 18 inches below the top of the road. Every situation is different and requires town approval before any ditch filling occurs.



Fire Station Space Needs Study

Following the Planning Commission's process of updating the 2008 Comprehensive Plan in 2016 and their confirmation of the need for additional fire station space, the town board approved the completion of a fire station space needs study. The study, completed in April of this year, investigated two options: expanding/remodeling the existing station and a new station on a new site. Based on the Comprehensive Plan survey, input from town residents and support received at the Annual Meeting, the town board voted at the June meeting to recommend the new station option for a vote by the residents at a Special Electors Meeting to be held in October of this year. The town board also charged the Planning Commission with the task of informing town residents of the space needs, the options for meeting those needs, and the Special Electors Meeting. The Planning Commission will be arranging informational meetings and preparing a mailing to town residents to explain the results of the study process, the options studied, possible sites for a new station and the required Special Elector Meeting process for approval of the project. Please watch for a future mailing from the Planning Commission on the fire station project.

Fire Works Permits

Although the 4th of July has come and gone, residents are reminded that, by state law, fireworks permits are required from the town. This applies for any date and time fireworks are used throughout the year. Contact the Town Chairman or Supervisors for a permit. If you are going to sell fireworks, you must apply for a permit, which is presented for approval to the board at regular board meetings-the third of every month. Contact the Clerk for information.

5th Annual



Fire Department Fundraiser Saturday August 26, 2017 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

Charcoal Chicken Dinner
Bounce House, Activiites for Kids
Tractor and Car Show

Silent Auction, 50/50 Cash Raffles

Gun Raffles: tickets on sale now, see any Fire Dept. member
At your Eagle Point Town Hall & Park

Your Town Board welcomes any questions or concerns you may have. Check our website for meeting notices, information links, and events.



Enjoy 2017!