Town of Eagle Point 2016 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 We invite you to attend these meetings!

Town Hall Office: 288-6770, Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 8:15 to 1, Thursday 1 to 6 Town Shop: 288-6473 Fire Department: 288-6221 Town Assessor: Randy Prochnow 715-309-2863 Town Website: townofeaglepoint@centurytel.net For All Emergency Calls dial 911

<u>Town Board:</u> Dennis Ferstenou-Chairman 720-1226; Frank Braswell-Supervisor 828-0057; Randy Woodruff-Supervisor 226-0129; Ruth Knapp-Treasurer 723-2778; Laurie Hebert-Clerk 829-1062 <u>Fire Chief:</u> Rocky Berg 226-1086

<u>Planning Commission Members:</u> Rick Bowe-Chairman, Dale Shipman-Vice Chair, Ron Woodruff-Secretary, Patty King, Dawn Lueck, Clyde Goettl, Dennis Ferstenou

Dogs: all dogs must be licensed. Cost is \$15.00 per dog for the 2016 year. Please contact Ruth Knapp to obtain a license.

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. You must call the Sheriff at 726-7701 prior to burning with the date and location.

<u>Recycling Center</u>: *is located at 16306 165th Ave.* open the <u>1st & 3rd Saturday of each month from 8:00 am to 1:00pm</u> excluding holidays and deer-hunting opener. The Center accepts plastics, metal, glass, paper, cardboard and brush. Appliances are accepted with a fee.

<u>Garbage</u>: 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.

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

<u>Fire Department:</u> 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.

<u>Planning Commission</u>: 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.



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The Town of Eagle Point adopted a dog ordinance several years ago, which can be viewed on the town's website. The Town Board reminds residents of two important provisions in the ordinance. First, every dog living in the town must be licensed by State law. This includes dogs housed on rental property. If you have rental property, make sure your tenants are aware of the dog licensing requirements and the penalties for failure to license their dogs. Second, all dogs must be on a leash if off their owner's property. Failure to comply with the provisions of the dog ordinance can lead to citations and fines.

Winter Road Maintenance



The Town Board would like to remind residents of the following town policy regarding snowplowing operations in the town's right-of-way. The town's right-of-way is typically 33 feet from the center of the road. The town is not responsible for any damage to obstacles within the right-of-way such as sprinkler heads, rocks gardens, fences and lawns at the edge of the paved surface. If you choose to mark your yards, markers must be placed at least four feet off the edge of the pavement to allow the town crew to plow the shoulders. With heavy snowfalls, the town will push snow beyond the shoulders to allow room for future snowfalls. Regarding mailbox damage, the town will consider replacing your damaged mailbox if there is evidence that it was actually hit by town equipment, the mailbox and support was in good condition at the time, and the original mailbox installation met U.S Post Office mailbox regulations and standards.

Filling Ditches is Prohibited

During the Annual Road Check this spring, the Town Board observed several locations where property owners had filled in or were in the processing filling in ditches located in the town road right-of-way. Filling ditches with topsoil, leaves and brush is strictly prohibited. Ditches are there for the purpose of draining water away from beneath the roadway surface. Filled ditches restrict surface drainage and accelerate the deterioration of the roadway surface. If property owners lack space for depositing yard waste, they are welcome to take it to the town's recycling center.

Comprehensive Plan

The Planning Commission is currently in the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan, which was developed in 2008. The purpose of the Comprehensive Plan is to guide the Planning Commission with the physical, social, and economic development of the town.

One of the steps in the update process included a survey of town residents, which was completed in April. Chances are you were one of the more than 700 residents who filled out the survey. Thank you for your participation. The results of the survey can be found on the town's website or you can pick up a hardcopy by stopping by the town hall. Over the next few months, the Planning Commission will be analyzing the information obtained from the survey and will be updating the various sections of the Comprehensive Plan to reflect the results of the survey and other input from town residents. An important part of this process will be a series of meetings to be held over the next two months. The dates and topics to be discussed at each of these meetings are as follows:

June 27 – Town road Maintenance/Funding/Weight limits; Railroad expansion

July 11 – Fire/Emergency Services Facility need

July 25 – Lifestyle, Agriculture, Recreational use; Gravel and sand mine development

August 8 – Economic development; multi-family housing.

August 22 – Town versus County Zoning

All of the meetings are at 7:00PM at the town hall. Please plan to attend one or more of the meetings to offer your input on the important Comprehensive Plan Update issues.

4th Annual Fire Department Fundraiser Saturday August 20, 2016 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: <u>tickets on sale now, see any Fire Dept. member</u> At your Eagle Point Town Hall & Park 2015 fundraiser money was used to purchase lockers for gear, and a thermal imaging camera. Thank you!

Elections

Be sure to bring proper ID to Vote-it is required. If you are a new voter, have a name change, or moved you must register. To avoid the wait in line do this prior to the election. Contact Laurie Hebert with any questions.

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