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Happy New Year!

Village staff would like to thank residents and businesses for their resilience, patience, and understanding throughout 2020. Providing essential Village services would not be possible without mutual support from the community.

2020 Village Highlights

- Village completes second HARIBO land sale.
- Historic Twelfth Night holiday tree burning ceremony returns to Pleasant Prairie.
- RINKA hosts a Village Green Center open house, presenting initial design concepts.
- Pleasant Prairie Historical Museum and Aurora Health Center Pleasant Prairie open.
- Kroger and Nexus Pharmaceuticals begin developing new facilities, and Nosco Inc. announces plans for a new site in the Village.
- HARIBO supports RecPlex with a \$1.5 million sponsorship.
- A record 9,885 of 13,336 (74%) Village Voters cast absentee ballots in the 2020 November Election. ☐



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RecPlex Receives \$1.5 Million HARIBO Sponsorship

RecPlex, the largest municipally-owned recreational facility in North America, is pleased to announce a corporate citizen sponsorship of \$1.5 million from its community partner, HARIBO of America. The substantial commitment from HARIBO will significantly assist with the impact COVID-19 has had on RecPlex operations.

RecPlex will use \$200,000 from the contribution to set up a scholarship fund for individuals and families who might not otherwise afford membership or programming. The remaining funds will help pay the RecPlex facility's \$2.5 million annual debt service payment. HARIBO has committed to giving a 30-year sponsorship, the equivalent of \$50,000 per year, in one lump sum payment to RecPlex.

"HARIBO's support couldn't come at a more critical time," said Craig Anderson, RecPlex Director of Recreation. "The investment they are making is helping preserve an incredible community asset. The HARIBO sponsorship offers relief to individuals and families in need of membership program assistance, and will help RecPlex recover from the pandemic's impact."

"We are committed to giving back to the places where we live and work, and the RecPlex in Pleasant Prairie is important to the community," said Wes Saber, Chief Financial Officer, HARIBO of America. "We want to help our neighbors and members of the community through this challenging year, and this is one way we can do that – investing in overall wellness and bringing continued joy to those who use the RecPlex."

HARIBO is in the process of developing its first North American Manufacturing site in Pleasant Prairie. The development consists of an initial investment of over \$300 million in facility improvements. The sponsorship to RecPlex includes corporate membership discount opportunities for the 1,200 anticipated employees working at the future HARIBO facility.

"We have always said, and this only reaffirms, that HARIBO is a great community partner and a welcome addition to Pleasant Prairie," said Nathan Thiel, Village Administrator. "This is a significant contribution, and the Village can't thank HARIBO enough for their efforts and this investment in our community." □



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RealChem Manufacturing Relocates to the Village

RealChem Manufacturing Inc. is relocating its existing business in Mundelein, IL, to Pleasant Prairie. The new space is being used to manufacture hand sanitizer, disinfectant, antiseptic, and other products for janitorial, sanitation institutions, and consumer markets.

The Plan Commission, on November 9, held a Public Hearing to consider the request of Kerston Russell with RealChem. After reviewing the application and hearing staff comments, the Plan Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit, including Site and Operational Plans, to occupy the existing industrial building located at 7844 102nd Street in LakeView Corporate Park.

RealChem Manufacturing is a custom manufacturing business that produces custom liquid products for clients. Their operations formulate, compound, blend, package, warehouse, and fulfill orders for clients. The company also provides product development, packaging design, and marketing support services.

The building RealChem is occupying was built by Towne LakeView Executive Group LLC in 2018. The facility is zoned as an M-2 General Manufacturing District, which allows a High-Hazard Group H Occupancy Type. Approximately 3,230 square feet of the building's 72,324 square feet will house uses identified for a Group H category.

RealChem is bringing 12 members from their senior management group to the new facility. Several of the members already live in the Kenosha County area. In November, the company was in the process of hiring eight more senior staff members from the region. RealChem is proposing having approximately 75 to 100 new employees, working two shifts at the facility. □



Nosco Plans to Move Corporate Headquarters to Pleasant Prairie



Article on behalf of the Kenosha Area Business Alliance, Nosco, Inc., a Gurnee, IL, based packaging manufacturer serving 400 customers in the healthcare industry, will soon move its headquarters to Pleasant Prairie, where it will also co-locate a new production operation. The company will ultimately employ 300 workers at the Pleasant Prairie location.

"Nosco is growing and this move allows us the room we need to grow to support our healthcare customers," said Craig Curran, Nosco President. "We are looking forward to supplying cartons and labels in 2021 to our customers throughout the U.S. from this new facility in a strong business community like Pleasant Prairie." Nosco, a subsidiary of Holden Industries, Inc., will produce offset cartons and digital labels at the 177,000-square-foot leased facility, located in the LakeView Corporate Park at 11200 88th Avenue. The company will begin operating from the Pleasant Prairie facility by July 2021.

Nosco is the latest company to make a significant investment in Kenosha County. "I would like to warmly welcome Nosco to Kenosha County and wish them much continued success here," said Kenosha County Executive Jim Kreuser. "Southeast Wisconsin is one of the top regions in the country for manufacturing output because of companies like Nosco deciding to locate operations here and contribute to our thriving manufacturing sector."

Nosco joins a growing roster of companies choosing Pleasant Prairie as their base of operations. "The Village is excited Nosco has selected Pleasant Prairie for their new corporate headquarters," said Village Administrator Nathan Thiel. "We are glad to have them joining our business community and look forward to seeing Nosco continue to expand and grow in their new home." □

Highway H TEA Grant Awarded for Kroger Facility

Governor Tony Evers and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) announced a \$951,315 WisDOT Transportation Economic Assistance (TEA) grant to support the Kroger grocery distribution center. The funds, awarded to Kenosha County, will re-construct a .8-mile section of Kenosha County H. The needed roadway improvements will support the 350,000-square foot, \$112 million Kroger Fulfillment facility that will employ more than 700 people.

The \$1.9 million road improvement project will rebuild Kenosha County H from 93rd Place to Bain Station Road, making critical improvements that include turning lanes, acceleration and deceleration lanes, and driveways at the facilities entrances.

"The selection of Kenosha County for this TEA Grant award is a tremendous example of how collaboration can lead to developing new and efficient roadway solutions for our community," said Nathan Thiel, Village of Pleasant Prairie Administrator. "The Village is very pleased to be a part of the vision behind these County infrastructure improvements. The road enhancements will ensure traffic surrounding the new Kroger facility continues to flow smoothly."



The Kroger development will facilitate home grocery delivery in Wisconsin, Illinois, and Indiana. The facility is expected to be completed and open for business in early 2022.

The TEA program provides financial assistance to communities to support transportation infrastructure improvements that will help attract new employers or encourage existing employers to expand. □

Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Announcement

Pfizer's recent news of plans to store and distribute a COVID-19 vaccine in their Pleasant Prairie distribution center has created excitement within the community. The announcement highlights the positive vision and investments the Village has made to develop professional relationships and bring quality businesses to the community.



Pfizer has been a welcomed addition to the LakeView Corporate Park. The company joined the Pleasant Prairie business community in 2015 after acquiring Hospira, an Abbott Laboratories spinoff, which had distribution centers in the Village. The Village has taken incremental steps to offer sustainable growth, build a community, and make it a stable place to live. These efforts have attracted businesses and created a dependable location that people are proud to call home.

According to Pfizer's distribution fact sheet, many of their U.S. vaccine shipping plans include their Pleasant Prairie distribution center. Village staff has had the opportunity to work with Pfizer representatives on permits, inspections, and projects to prepare their facility for vaccine storage and distribution. Although Village staff does not have information on the companies schedule or timing for the vaccine, the Village is grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with Pfizer on the developments needed to get their facility ready for distribution.

"Pfizer is a great corporate partner and citizen, and we are proud to have them in our community," said Nathan Thiel, Village Administrator. "Pleasant Prairie is excited to be a part of the solution to a national problem and global pandemic." □

New Kwik Trip Location Receives Final Approval

The Plan Commission unanimously approved Final Site and Operational Plans for the proposed 11,033 square foot Kwik Trip gasoline, convenience store, and car wash facility. The new location will be in Pleasant Prairie, generally located west of Old Green Bay Road at 102nd Street in the Main Street Market development. The new store will be the Village's fifth Kwik Trip location.

The Plan Commission approval, which included a Digital Security Imaging System (DSIS) Agreement and DSIS Access Easement, came during the November 23, 2020, Plan Commission meeting. Construction on the approximately 2.9-acre site is planned to begin this spring. The station will include ten fueling dispensers (20 fueling positions) under a canopy, with a convenience store and an attached car wash.

"Kwik Trip has been a great community partner; their locations are well known for their cleanliness and quality services," said Jean Werbie-Harris, Community Development Director. "The new location will be a benefit to the area, providing easy access to fresh groceries and gas."

A total of 20 full-time and eight part-time employees will work at the new Kwik Trip location. The hours of operation will be 5:00 a.m. until midnight daily. Due to the proximity of the residential condominium development across Old Green Bay Road to the east, the fueling station is designed only for automobiles and small trucks. The developer has also carefully evaluated the height of the gasoline canopy, the direction of lighting, and signage to ensure the light is directing downward to meet the neighborhood requirements. □



Phase One Construction Finishes, Highway 165 Opens

Bear Development is working on completing Phase One construction for the Main Street Market development. The intersection at Old Green Bay Road and State Trunk Highway 165 (STH 165) is nearing completion, and STH 165 opened to thru traffic on November 20, 2020.

"The ultimate build-out for the intersection at Old Green Bay Road and Highway 165 calls for traffic signals," said John Steinbrink Jr., Director of Public Works. "When the traffic counts are large enough, the intersection will become signalized; however, at this time, the intersection goes straight through, with stop signs where Old Green Bay Road hits Highway 165."

The development consists of two phases. Phase one construction began on August 3 and focused on developing Main Street Market and the intersection at STH 165 and Old Green Bay Road. Phase two construction will begin this year, 2021. The project will widen Old Green Bay Road, between STH 165 and 95th Street, to accommodate increased traffic to Main Street Market development. Through traffic for phase two will detour traffic along 95th Street, Green Bay Road, and STH 165.

The project team asks drivers to plan additional time to navigate the detour route and thanks drivers for their patience throughout the construction periods. □



2021 Election Cycle

Election Dates

- Spring Primary: Feb. 16, 2021 (if needed)
- Spring Election: April 6, 2021

Voter Registration

- You must be a citizen of the United States.
- You must be a Wisconsin resident and have resided at the registered address for at least 28 consecutive days before Election Day.
- You must be 18 years old.
- You must not have been convicted of treason, felony, or bribery, and if you have, your civil rights are restored after completing your sentence or a pardon.
- You must not have been found by a court to be incapable of understanding the objective of the electoral process.
- You must not have voted at any other location if registering on Election Day.

To register

- Online at [MyVote.wi.gov](https://myvote.wi.gov) up to 20 days before Election Day. After 20 days, complete, print, and either bring the printed application to the Clerk's office or your polling place on Election Day.
- In-person at the Clerk's office up to the Friday before Election Day, 7:30 – 4:30 p.m. at Village Hall.
- Acceptable proof of residency is required.

Absentee Voting by Mail

Absentee ballot requests must be made in writing and received by the Village Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. the Thursday before Election Day. You can **request an absentee ballot online, by mail, by fax, or by email.** Online requests can be made at [MyVote.wi.gov](https://myvote.wi.gov). Absentee Ballot Request forms can be found on the Village's Website under the [Election/Voting tab](#). The voter will need to download, complete the application, and return it to the Village Clerk's office (9915 39th Avenue) with an acceptable Photo ID.

The Village Clerk's office will mail your absentee ballot once printed ballots are received from the Kenosha County Clerk's Office, approximately four weeks before an Election. When returning your ballot, seal your voted ballot in the Absentee Ballot Certificate Envelope, complete Section 3, Certification of Voter with your signature and date, complete Section 4, Certification of Witness by having your witness sign and write their address. ***If any of the required information above is missing, your ballot will not be counted.***

The deadline to return a completed ballot is no later than 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. Ballots can be returned by United States Postal Service, Ballot Drop Box, Village Clerk's office, or Central Count on Election Day.



In-Person Absentee Voting

In-Person absentee voting will begin 14 days before Election Day and be held at Village Hall. Voters should use the North entrance, the same location where utility payments are made.

In-Person Absentee Voting Dates and Times

- **Spring Primary (if needed)**, in-person absentee voting will be February 2 - February 11, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and February 12 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. No Saturday or Sunday hours.
- **Spring Election**, in-person absentee voting will be March 23 - April 1, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and April 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. No Saturday or Sunday hours.

There is no registering to vote or voting conducted on the Monday before Election Day. If you have any questions, please contact the Village Clerk's office at [262.694.1400](tel:262.694.1400) or by email at elections@pleasantprairiewi.gov.

Village Polling Places

The Village will have all five polling places open for voting during the 2021 Election Cycle. Voters in Wards 13 & 14 will not be able to use the Addison of Pleasant Prairie for their polling place due to COVID-19 safety concerns for their residents. ***For the 2021 Election Cycle, Wards 13 & 14 have moved to RecPlex.***

- **Wards 1, 2, 3**
Village Hall – Auditorium (South entrance)
9915 39th Avenue, Pleasant Prairie
- **Wards 4, 5**
Village Hall – Courtroom (North entrance)
9915 39th Avenue, Pleasant Prairie
- **Wards 6, 7, 12**
Caterpillar College Preschool
8411 Old Green Bay Road, Pleasant Prairie
- **Wards 8, 9, 10, 11**
RecPlex (South entrance)
9900 Terwall Terrace, Pleasant Prairie
- **Wards 13, 14**
RecPlex (South entrance)
9900 Terwall Terrace, Pleasant Prairie □

2021 General Fund Budget Approved



During the Special Village Board meeting and public hearing on November 30, 2020, Village staff informed residents that community partner, HARIBO of America, has made a generous contribution totaling \$1.5 million to RecPlex that significantly reduced the proposed 2021 Village tax levy.

The HARIBO sponsorship funds allowed the Village Board to reduce the proposed tax levy increase for RecPlex debt assistance of \$1.5 million down to \$500,000. These funds represent the equivalent amount the RecPlex contributes to the General Fund annually; it essentially suspends their contribution to allow the RecPlex an opportunity to recover from the COVID-19 impact on their operations. In recognition of the taxpayer support, RecPlex is offering Pleasant Prairie taxpaying households five guest passes to use the facility (\$55 value), free Lake Andrea beach access (\$45 value), and a free parking pass with a RecPlex membership (\$30 value). These offerings are in addition to contributions and value RecPlex already continues to provide the community.

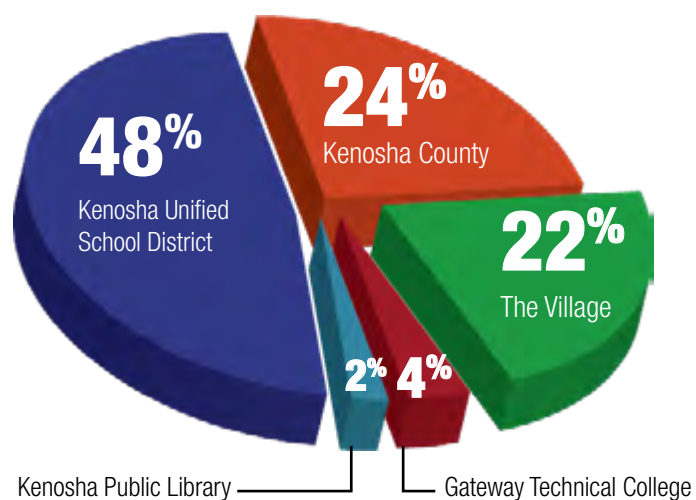
The approved 2021 General Fund Budget includes general government operating, capital, debt service, incremental tax districts, capital improvements, and special revenue. The tax levy is budgeted to increase from \$12,652,261 in 2020 to \$13,796,940 for 2021. The levy increase is partially due to a reduction in revenue, increased labor costs, and inflation. For 2021, the Village property tax rate will be \$4.64 per thousand of assessed value. For the median-valued home of \$237,200, the total Village portion of the property tax payment will increase from \$1,015 in 2020 to \$1,101 in 2021.

Village general operating expenses for 2021 will be approximately \$18.6 million. The funds will support Village services such as fire and rescue, police, community development, road improvements, and snow plowing. The budget includes inflationary increases across most departments but no new positions or additional programs for 2021. Proposed capital purchases include road improvements of \$2.1 million, replacing two fire engines with a quint engine, Pleasant Prairie Park Improvements, designing a new law enforcement facility, replacing police vehicles, and land acquisitions for the Highway 50 reconstruction project.

“As a municipal government, the Village prioritizes annual projects to make sure that we are fiscally responsible while maintaining a stable and economically sound community,” explained Village Administrator Nathan Thiel. “The Village works to provide high-quality municipal services, and are extremely grateful for the residents and strong corporate partners that are supporting our efforts.” □

Property Tax Payment

Where Does Your Property Tax Payment Go?



What Happens to the 22% Received by the Village?

The majority of 2021 budget dollars (approximately 73%) will be used to provide public safety services, such as police, fire and rescue, and public works services, such as snow plowing and road maintenance. The remaining amount (roughly 27%) will be used to: pay down existing debt, finance General Government's day-to-day operations, operate a Community Development Department, and maintain the Village parks.

Allocation of Village Percentages*

- 49% will be invested in public safety services, including police, fire and rescue.
- 24% will be invested in public works services, such as snow plowing, road maintenance, and similar work.
- 14% will be used for general government operations.
- 8% will be used to pay down existing debt.
- 5% will be used for the Community Development Department and the Village parks system. □

*Percentages are rounded.

2021 Water and Sewer Budgets

The Pleasant Prairie Village Board approved the 2021 water and sewer utility budgets on December 21. The new budgets will keep water and sewer rates steady during 2021 and will not require an increase.

Pleasant Prairie's water and sewer rates are based on the meter's size and water volume used. Water rates are based on the number of gallons consumed, measured by the water meter. Sewer rates are calculated with a winter-based average to account for water used on lawns or yards that will not pass through the sanitary sewer system. Pleasant Prairie posts rates (utility fees) and more detailed information at PleasantPrairieWi.gov

As part of the 2021 sewer utility budget, a \$2.8 million capital expense has been approved for sewer rehab to reduce the amount of Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) that leaks into the sewer system. The Village plans to line all clay mains, top hat laterals, and grout maintenance holes to eliminate the worst I/I flows entering the system; see sewer lining project details on page eight.

In 2021, the water utility plans to continue upgrading water meters and MXU radio communication devices to eliminate outdated equipment.

The utility will also integrate the Village's three pressure reducing valve pits into the supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system to monitor water pressure and prevent water main breaks. SCADA

is a computerized control system that reports activity in sewer and water utilities. The water utility remains debt-free, and the sewer utility paid off \$2.2 million outstanding principal in 2020 to become debt-free. □

2021 Village Calendars

The Village is no longer automatically sending Village Calendars to homes within Pleasant Prairie.

If you did not receive a 2021 Village calendar in the mail, extra copies are available at Village Hall (9915 39th Avenue) while supplies last. □

2021 Fleet Budget



The Fleet Internal Service Fund purchases, manages, maintains, and repairs; vehicles, equipment, attachments, and tools for Village departments (except for Police and Fire & Rescue) through a pay-per-use system. Maintenance and replacement costs are factored in for each participating Village department. This system allows the Village to avoid borrowing. The fund manages all of the vehicles and equipment used to provide services to Pleasant Prairie residents.

The Fleet Internal Service Fund has accrued a replacement fund to purchase vehicle replacements. The fund also helps the Village track the cost of maintaining the fleet. A majority of equipment and vehicle maintenance is performed in-house by four full-time mechanics.

During 2021, the Fleet Internal Service Fund plans to replace a Sanitation Truck and Bobcat Toolcat; along with building a plow truck from a used cab and chassis, and adding new mowers, baseball field equipment totaling \$575,000 in equipment. □

Twelfth Night

The January 6, Twelfth Night holiday tree burning ceremony is a delightful tradition that has returned to the Village of Pleasant Prairie. Guests from area communities gather at the RecPlex Wruck (Beach) Pavilion, located along Park Drive on the west side of Lake Andrea in Pleasant Prairie, to view the large holiday tree burning bonfire. The Twelfth Night event, hosted by the Village, Historical Society, and Pleasant Prairie Convention and Visitors Bureau, is an annual celebration that is free and open to the public. □



2021 Sanitary Sewer Lining



The Pleasant Prairie Village Board, on December 7, 2020, considered four bids for a 2021 Sanitary Sewer Lining Project. After a presentation from Village staff, the Village Board awarded the contract to Visu-Sewer, Inc. for \$2,316,931.

Visu-Sewer has extensive experience in sewer rehabilitation projects and has completed similar projects for the Village in the past. As part of the contract, Visu-Sewer will complete 61,500 linear feet of sewer cleaning, televising, and sewer lining. They will also do 850 linear feet of lateral grouting, perform chemical grouting on eight sanitary sewer maintenance holes, and make spot repairs in six sections. The Sewer Utility is funding the project, which is anticipated to begin in January and be completed by the end of 2021.

“Relining the Village’s sanitary sewer lines is an ongoing project that is essential to maintaining the Village’s infrastructure,” said John Steinbrink Jr., Director of Public Works. “These liners are a great alternative to conventional rip up, dig down, and replace methods.”

Relining is a popular and cost-effective sanitary sewer main rehabilitation method because it requires one access point. The process protects against corrosion, and the resin-coated lining has no gaps or joints. Installation involves a new liner pulled into the existing sewer main or lateral and cured in place. □

Virtual Village Meetings

Online meetings will continue in 2021, until regular in-person sessions can resume. Residents can connect to the virtual meetings to listen, watch, or raise a virtual hand to speak at the time of the public comment.

Online sessions allow residents to watch and interact safely from their homes. The public can listen and participate virtually by registering for meetings at

PleasantPrairieWi.gov/GoTo. □

K9 Echo Recognized

On November 9, Police Chief Smetana presented a recognition plaque, on behalf of the Pleasant Prairie Police Department, to Detective Beaumier and his retired partner Echo. The plaque recognizes K9 Echo for his distinguished, loyal, and dedicated service to the citizens of Pleasant Prairie from 2012 to 2018.

Echo was born in Hungry on January 18, 2011, and was imported to the U.S. by Southern Police K9 in North Carolina, where he began his initial K9 training. Echo became a multi-use K9 trained in drug detection, tracking, and officer safety. Echo started with the department in April of 2012 and retired in 2018. Throughout his career, Echo assisted officers with various cases that include drug cases, tracking lost kids, tracking adults with dementia, search warrants, home and business searches, school drug sniffs, and criminal apprehensions. Echo also participated in many community activities and went to many K9 demos for boy scouts, girl scouts, local businesses, and local associations.

The Village thanks Echo, his handler, and the family for their years of service to the Pleasant Prairie community. Echo is a great dog, and a plaque is hanging in the police department’s lobby to honor the K9’s duties. □



Project Childsafe

Project ChildSafe is the largest, most comprehensive firearms safety education program in the U.S. It was developed by the



National Shooting Sports Foundation, the trade association for the firearms industry, and is committed to promoting genuine firearms safety through the distribution of safety education messages and free firearm safety kits. The kits include a cable-style gun-locking device and a brochure that discusses safe

handling and secure storage guidelines to help deter access by unauthorized individuals.

“The Pleasant Prairie Police Department is proud partners with Project Childsafe,” said David Smetana, Chief of Police. “We know that a critical part of responsible firearm ownership is to keep weapons safe and to store those firearms securely. There is a supply of firearm safety kits at the Police Department, and residents are welcome to stop by to get one for free.”

Project ChildSafe is a real firearms safety solution that helps make communities safer. Since 1999, more than 15,000 law enforcement agencies have partnered with the program to distribute more than 38 million firearm safety kits to gun owners in all 50 states and five U.S. territories. Learn more at ProjectChildSafe.org. □

Medication Drop Box

Both anti-drug forces and environmental activists are encouraging people to dispose of unused pharmaceuticals properly. Proper disposal of medications can make them inaccessible to children or addicts. Disposing of them correctly also keeps them from further contaminating our local drinking water.

A permanent medication drop box (available 24/7) is located in the Pleasant Prairie Police Department's lobby at 8600 Green Bay Road.

A list of acceptable items is printed on the outside of the drop box. **Do not deposit inhalers, needles, or sharps in the box.** Please visit PleasantPrairieWi.gov/services/garbage_and_recycling/medication_collection for information about the disposal of needles and sharps.

Please empty unwanted medication from their containers and place them in a resealable plastic zipper storage bag. Liquid medications can be kept in their bottles but must be placed in a separate resealable plastic zipper storage bag. See pictures below □



Snow Removal Reminders

Snow and Ice Removal Ordinance

The Village's Snow and Ice Removal Ordinance language specifies who is responsible for snow removal from sidewalks and removal timing. There is also information about depositing snow onto streets, public property, and how the Village approaches compliance with the ordinance.

The owner and occupant of a property are responsible for snow removal from adjacent sidewalks; anyone who may be in charge of a property is responsible for snow removal as well. Prompt removal of snow or ice each day from sidewalks is required within 24 hours from the time the snow ceases to accumulate. If property owners fail to follow the Village ordinance, Village crews will clear the snow, and the property owners will be billed. The ordinance requires that abutting sidewalks be sprinkled with de-icing material if ice has formed on a sidewalk.



It is not permissible for people to shovel or blow snow into streets or onto public property. Language in the ordinance relates to how the Village will remedy snow placed into the street or onto public property and how the Village will recover the related expense.

The Village of Pleasant Prairie's Snow and Ice Removal Ordinance can be found at:

PleasantPrairieWi.gov/Government/Laws_and_Policies/Local_Ordinances. □

2021 Triathlons at RecPlex

Prairie Springs Park and Lake Andrea are planning to host the Junior Triathlon on Saturday, June 26, and the Pleasant Prairie Triathlon on Sunday, June 27. The RecPlex will be the host site for the Iron Girl Pleasant Prairie women's triathlon event on Sunday, August 15, 2021.

The dates for this year's events are tentative, but RecPlex staff is looking forward to cheering on these amazing athletes as they push to meet their goals. Each year, sporting events in Pleasant Prairie draw thousands of visitors to the community. These are great opportunities for the community and visitors to get involved in challenging and rewarding athletic events.



Seasonal sporting events at RecPlex positively affect the local economy by bringing tourism dollars into the community, which benefits local businesses, including retail establishments, restaurants, and hotels. In 2019, the economic impact or tourism dollars generated for the area from athletic events at RecPlex was around \$7.18 million.

Commuters near Prairie Springs Park can expect limited road closures on Sunday, June 27, and Sunday, August 15. More information will be available closer to the event dates; when racecourses and logistics are finalized. To learn more about the Pleasant Prairie Triathlon, go to PleasantPrairieTri.com and for a complete list of triathlons and special events, visit RecPlexOnline.com/Events. ☐

Date	Event
Jan. 31	Indoor Triathlon
April 25	Indoor/Outdoor Triathlon
May 8	Do it for the Donuts 5K/10K
June 6	Pleasant Prairie Cup Jr. Triathlon
June 26	Pleasant Prairie Jr. Triathlon
June 27	Pleasant Prairie Triathlon
July 10	Hula Hustle 5K/10K
Aug. 14	Pleasant Prairie Jr. Triathlon
Aug. 15	Iron Girl Triathlon
Sept. 4	ET Pleasant Prairie Triathlon NCAA Women's Collegiate Triathlon
Sept. 18	Discovery Walk, Roll & Run 5K
Oct. 23	Scary in the Prairie 5K/10K
Nov. 13	Run with the Turkeys 5K/10K
Nov. 14	Indoor Turkey Triathlon

Sherwin-Williams Opens



The Village welcomes Sherwin-Williams to the Pleasant Prairie community. Conveniently located at 7667 91st Avenue (next to BMO Harris Bank). Sherwin-Williams is the nation's largest specialty retailer of paint and painting supplies. ☐

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JUMP START ON 2021.

99 DAYS FOR \$199

MORE INFO AVAILABLE AT [RECPLEXONLINE.COM](https://RecPlexOnline.com)

Historical Society

Newest Artifact: 1935 Peter Pirsch Fire Engine

The Historical Society recently accepted a donation of a 1935 Peter Pirsch Model 21 Fire Engine from the Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue Association charity organization, which included \$28,457 in donations raised by their organization through several previous fundraising efforts for the fire engine's restoration. The fire engine is significant to Pleasant Prairie's history—it was the first fire engine that the Fire Department purchased when formed in 1935. The Fire & Rescue Association recently dissolved its organization; the Historical Society will continue the association's fundraising and restoration efforts to repair and preserve this vital artifact and honor those who designated gifts to protect the Fire Department's history.

The fire engine was built by Peter Pirsch & Sons of Kenosha, Wisconsin, and purchased by the Pleasant Prairie Fire Department on August 22, 1935. They paid \$5,758. The truck has a 300-gallon tank and had a 350 gallon per minute pump. It was in service in Pleasant Prairie from 1935 until 1961 when the truck was sold to James Harman, a firefighter who later became Fire Chief. Eventually, the fire engine ended up with the Paris Fire Department in Kenosha County. In 2008, the Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue Association re-purchased the truck for \$5,758 (the same amount it was purchased for back in 1935), at no cost to the Pleasant Prairie taxpayer.

The Historical Society will now continue the Fire & Rescue Association's efforts with the community's assistance and generous support to restore this important artifact.

The Historical Society can be reached at [262.577.5115](tel:262.577.5115) or HistoricalSociety@plprairie.org. Check out the website, PleasantPrairieHistoricalSociety.org, and follow at Facebook.com/PIPrairieHistoricalSociety. □



Pictured above: The 1935 Pirsch Fire Engine, circa 1950, shown in front of the first fire station on Highway 50, near where Menard's is located today.

Pictured below: Historical Society Vice President/Secretary Jean Werbie-Harris accepts the donation from Firemedic Dean Holloway, former President of the Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue Association.



Shop with a Cop/Firefighter Thank You



The Pleasant Prairie Professional Police Association and the Pleasant Prairie Police and Fire & Rescue Departments would like to express their gratitude for those who supported the 15th annual Shop with a Cop/Firefighter charity event in December. This event is a way for members of these departments to help local families who may not otherwise have the means to celebrate the holidays in a traditional manner.

Shop with a Cop/Firefighter took place on December 12, 2020. Children were paired with officers and firefighters and had an opportunity to pick out gifts for their loved ones. □