

# SEYMOUR CHRONICLE

TOWN OF SEYMOUR 6500 TOWER DRIVE EAU CLAIRE, WI 54703



**FROM YOUR BOARD CHAIR, Douglas Kranig**

Greetings Seymour Residents,

Have you had enough winter? Seems like it was a long one. But here comes spring to refresh us.

- The EPA through the WI DNR requires the Town obtain a permit for storm water run off. The permit requires that we educate residents to inform them that rain water run off contains pollution from oil leaks or spills, garbage dumped in ditches and other pollutants which are carried into the streams and lakes. So we ask that all of you make an effort to keep pollutants out of our streams and lakes. Take your garbage to the landfill and cover your load on the way. Thanks!
- The landfill accepts residential garbage only from Seymour residents with a permit at no charge. If you bring anything other than household garbage, you will be charged the landfill tipping fee.
- Please remember to use the library wisely. The Town pays over \$80,000.00 per year to allow our residents to use the library. It is helpful if you only check out those items you plan to use. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Dogs running at large continues to be the leading call I get. Please keep your dogs under your control so your neighbors do not have to call me.
- We plan to reconstruct at least two (2) miles of road again this year. We will indicate which ones at the Annual Meeting. See you there!
- After much negotiation, the Towns surrounding the City of Eau Claire have completed an inter-governmental agreement related to land use. We signed the agreement in February and it will be effective once the Towns have amended their Comprehensive Plans. We will be appointing a plan commission to administer our Comp Plan after the April election. We will be holding a hearing on the amendment to the Comp Plan after our plan commission is in place. The Board feels good about our reaching this agreement with the City as it will allow us to have more say in how land is divided/used within the three mile extra territorial limits of the city.

Your Town Board and Staff are committed to our goal of providing excellent services to those we serve - our Residents. Contact me or another Board Member if you have an idea, suggestion, comment or complaint. Enjoy the spring!

Warm Regards,  
Doug

## THE ANNUAL MEETING IS

**APRIL 12, 2011 7:30 P.M.**

**AT THE SEYMOUR TOWN HALL**

## TOWN OFFICIALS

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### WEBSITE

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### OFFICE HOURS

9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.  
MONDAY through FRIDAY

Regular Board Meetings are normally scheduled on the **FIRST** and **THIRD TUESDAYS** of each month. Notices are posted at the Town Hall, Fire Station, Beaver Creek Reserve, Gordy's County Market on Birch St. and [www.townofseymour.org](http://www.townofseymour.org).

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**APRIL 5**  
**SPRING ELECTION**  
**7AM TO 8PM**  
**AT THE TOWN HALL**

**APRIL 12**  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**7:30PM**  
**AT THE TOWN HALL**

**APRIL 22**  
**GOOD FRIDAY**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

**MAY 30**  
**MEMORIAL DAY**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

**JULY 4**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

**JULY 8-10**  
**BOYS BASEBALL**  
**TOURNAMENT**

**JULY 15-17**  
**GIRLS SOFTBALL**  
**STATE TOURNAMENT**

**SEPTEMBER 5**  
**LABOR DAY**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

**NOVEMBER 8**  
**GENERAL ELECTION**

**NOVEMBER 24**  
**THANKSGIVING**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

**NOVEMBER 25**  
**THANKSGIVING**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

**DECEMBER 26**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
**OFFICE CLOSED**

**CLERKS CORNER, Glenda Lyons**

**April 5, 2011 is the SPRING ELECTION.** Local school board members, Town of Seymour Board members, Eau Claire school district referendum and a Justice of the Supreme Court are this ballot. The local elections are extremely important - please take time out that day to vote. We will be here from 7am until 8pm. As a reminder, please turn off your cell phone prior to entering the Town Hall. Thank you.

**Do you have a DOG?** If so, it needs to be licensed within the Town of Seymour. The tags are good from January through December. That means the tag expires in DECEMBER. Please renew your tag before I send you a reminder in March. By that point your tag has been expired for three months. Anytime a mailing goes out (like reminder letters) it is an expense to the town. Set a goal to renew your tags on time in December of 2011. Please remember we require the **"PROOF OF RABIES VACINATION"** to issue you a tag.

**Board of Review in early summer...** Our "Open Book" meetings are held with Bowmar Appraisal assessors. These meetings are open to the public to view and discuss any property values within our Town. Approximately two weeks after Open Book meetings, we hold a two hour meeting for anyone wishing to contest their values. This is called "Board of Review". At this meeting you are required to "prove" why your property should be at a lower (or higher) value. Anyone interested in these meetings and needing more information can call me. If you would like to talk directly with our Town Assessor, please call Roger Koski at 715.835.1141.

**FROM THE SEYMOUR BALL CLUB**

Seymour Ball Club was recently awarded a grant for \$5,000 from the Minnesota Twins to complete the dugouts.

Bricks will be arriving soon and the roofs will be constructed by students from UW-Stout this spring. Opening day will be Monday, April 25th. Seymour Ball Club is home to approximately 400 boys and girls playing baseball and softball. This year we are also hosting the ASA Class B State Softball Tournament July 15-17th which will bring 80-100 teams into the Chippewa Valley from all over Wisconsin!

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## FROM YOUR TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT



Mother Nature has reminded us of what winter in Wisconsin can be. Forecasts of flooding near levels of last September are predicted for this spring. If flooding does occur, please keep safety in mind around the water. If you live along the Eau Claire River, or Lake Altoona, please keep informed of changing conditions. Town residents, Dan and Tammy Anderson, have donated another Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to the Fire Dept. This unit has been issued to one of our 1<sup>st</sup> Responders. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> AED donated by them. Thank you Dan and Tammy!

Our annual pancake breakfast will be on Father's Day, June 19, 2011. In 2010 we replaced our 12 year old ATV. Our pancake breakfasts provided a large share of the funding. Thank you for your support.

Burning barrels are a leading cause of wildland fires in Wisconsin. If you have a burn barrel, please make sure you get a permit from the Town. The barrel will be inspected to comply with DNR standards for safety. A call to Township FD (834-6868) is required even if you have an annual permit from the DNR.

In December "Santa" sent an anonymous donation for our Christmas party. The Firefighters asked me to thank you for your wonderful generosity. Have a safe spring and summer.

Kerry Parker  
Battalion Chief  
Township Fire Dept. - Seymour  
Station

## FROM SUPERVISOR Sheila Running

Spring (I hope) is almost here. If you're like me, you can hardly wait. Cleaning my yard and planting flowers sounds like fun when we're shoveling out from yet another snow storm. I hope you will join me in making our town look better this spring, whether it be by cleaning up your own yard (stand back and take a look and see if you can remove some things which aren't necessary), picking up garbage along our roads or reporting when you notice anyone dumping things in our town. I know I've addressed this issue many times before but if we continue to work together, hopefully we will no longer have this problem.

I would also like to thank Kerry and John for keeping our roads in great shape this winter. After traveling on many other roads in the area, I'm always impressed with the condition of our town roads in comparison. Keep up the good work guys!

Thank you for supporting your Town Board. Remember, we are here to serve you and are always ready to listen.

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
**ALL TOWN ROADS ARE  
NOW PAVED. OUR LAST  
GRAVEL ROAD IN THE  
TOWN OF SEYMOUR WAS  
PAVED IN 2010.**

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
**THE TOWN BOARD HAS  
NOT INCREASED THE TOWN  
BUDGET FOR THE LAST  
THREE YEARS.**

## DRIVEWAY ACCESS

To allow emergency vehicles access to your property for fire protection and ambulance service, please keep your driveway clear of low hanging tree branches and obstructions. It is also important to have adequate width to accommodate these vehicles. Thank you.

## "FOOD" FOR THOUGHT

To loose one pound, you must burn 3500 calories.

An average candy bar and one soda is 250 calories. To burn that off you would need to walk for about one hour.

On the average, fruits will have twice as many calories as vegetables.

Look at the ingredients label on food products. If there are more than 5 ingredients, there is most likely sugar or high fructose corn syrup which your body does not need.

If you're not hungry, don't eat.

Consider you might be thirsty instead of hungry. If you think you are hungry, try drinking something first.

Avoid going shopping when you are hungry and tired.

The average American gains about 5 pounds per year.

Smile at least once daily and remember the 80/20 rule. A smile (20%) can return 80% back. Nobody is perfect---it's making little changes each day that turn into lasting change.



TOWN OF SEYMOUR  
6500 TOWER DRIVE  
EAU CLAIRE, WI. 54703

PRESORTED STANDARD  
US POSTAGE PAID  
EAU CLAIRE, WI.  
PERMIT #1557

### **BRUSH SITE, RECYCLING AND LANDFILL**

Brush and recycling areas are located just East of the Landfill on County Highway Q. The hours are:

**Tuesdays Noon-4:00P.M. and Saturdays 8:00A.M.-11:30A.M.**

These are the same days and times the landfill can be utilized by Seymour residents at no charge **with a permit**. For more information on the brush site please visit the website:

<http://www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/Recycle/recycle.htm>

(This is a county program through the Department of Planning and Development)

**REMINDER: BEFORE GOING TO THE LANDFILL, PLEASE CALL THE TOWN HALL (715.834.4999) IF YOU NEED TO UPDATE YOUR VEHICLE OR PLATE INFORMATION. THANK YOU**

### **DOG LICENSES**

A dog more than 5 months of age must be licensed. It is the **resident's responsibility** to license their dog. The State requires Proof of Rabies Vaccination EACH year. This does not mean your pet needs the vaccination every year. Please bring your **CERTIFICATE OF RABIES VACCINATION** from the vet to prove your dog's shots are current. No need to make copies as we use it for the receipt and return it to you. **LICENSES EXPIRE EACH YEAR ON DECEMBER 31**. New license tags are available starting December 1 each year. The fee for neutered/spayed dogs is \$7.00 and for dogs not neutered/spayed the fee is \$18.00. Late fees of \$5.00 are charged beginning **April 1<sup>st</sup>** --- Ordinance #80-3. **Citations will be issued beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> for unlicensed dogs**. The cost of the citation is \$50 plus court costs which are currently \$165. Please be prompt with licensing your dogs.

If you prefer to mail this to us, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so we can send the tag and vaccination papers back to you. **THANK YOU**