

# Town of Stockton

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## Newsletter

### January 2009

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **Free Tax Return Preparation for Seniors:**
  - Lincoln Center (346-1401)
  - County Public Library (345-5350)
- **Enclosed with this newsletter:**
- 2009 calendar for recycling pickup
- Dog registration forms
- Sustainable Stockton Directory



#### Ice Skating

The Central Wisconsin Saints are offering open skating at the Saints Hockey Arena, 6867 4<sup>th</sup> Street, any Sunday from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm; cost is \$3.00 per skater.

#### DRIVEWAY SNOW PLOWING

**Do not plow or shovel snow into the road way or into the opposite ditch.** Doing so causes hazardous piles of snow on the road, which could freeze and cause a passing vehicle to lose control. You are prohibited from:

1. Moving snow onto the road or road right of way.
2. All snow on the road causes a safety hazard and must be removed immediately.
3. No person or business may place on the roadway any substance that is, or may be, injurious to any vehicle or person.

Failure to adhere to these guidelines is a violation of the Town of Stockton Ordinance #O-08-01 and WI SS 346.94(5). Violation may result in a fine of \$50.00 per occurrence.

While driving in snowy weather, state law requires you to keep a 200 foot distance from a snow plow that is plowing. Following any closer may be hazardous, please use caution while driving.

**Salt/sand** is available at the Town storage shed (7290 6<sup>th</sup> St. driveway east of New Town Hall). There is a limit of four 5 gallon pails.

#### Stockton Audit

Because of change in Treasurer in 2007, the Town books were audited in 2008 and determined to be accurate. The Auditors review is available at Clerk's office.

## **ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE**

The Town of Stockton will again use the Portage County Humane Society for handling all stray animals and animal complaints. You can reach them after 12:00 pm at **344-6012**.

**DOG LICENSE FEES:** Pursuant to Section 174.052, Wisconsin Statutes, notice is given to all owners of dogs in Portage County that rabies vaccinations and dog licenses are required under the statutes. Section 174.07(1)(a) of the Wisconsin State Statutes requires evidence that a dog is currently immunized against rabies before a dog license can be issued. All dogs 5 months of age or older require a license. The minimum license fee for neutered males or spayed females in the Town of Stockton is \$8.00 upon presentation of evidence attesting to the same, and \$18.00 for the un-neutered male or unspayed female dog. Multiple Dog Licenses are \$50.00 for 12 tags with an \$8.00 charge for additional tags. A late fee of \$5.00 shall be assessed the owner or each dog 5 months of age or over who fails to obtain a dog license by April 1. The fine for failure to obtain a dog license or failure to have a dog vaccinated against rabies is \$150.00. Dog licenses can be obtained by mailing your dog license application to: Town of Stockton Treasurer, 7252 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Custer WI 54423, or stopping at the town hall on January 17<sup>th</sup> or February 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm. Please remember to include, or bring, all necessary documents when requesting a license.

## **STOCKTON FIRE AND EMS**

Happy New Year To All.

The fire department responded to 32 runs in 2008, EMS responded to 54 calls. We have made some changes in EMS. EMS is now a part of the fire department and has two new officers. Jerry Eron and Dennis Lepak are now in charge of EMS. The fire department received a matching grant from the DNR this year and will be used to purchase wild land firefighting equipment. We also applied for two FEMA Grants, one was for a new tanker and the

other was for equipment. Unfortunately we did not receive the vehicle grant, but as of this writing we are still in the running for the equipment grant. Both EMS and the Fire Department are always looking for new members and classes will be starting up in the next few weeks. Presently the EMS has 6 EMT's and Fire has 18 volunteer fire fighters. If you are interested please contact any member or Marie at the town hall for further information.

For any emergency call 911 and necessary personnel will be paged immediately. We can be reached at 592-4092 (Mike Spencer-Chief), 592-3473 (department) or 592-4712 (Town Hall).

## **SUSTAINABLE STOCKTON**

**Find it in Stockton Directory** included in this mailing! Please post this in your home and use local services and goods often. We'd like to thank Jerry Piesik, Hannah Hurst, Eric Anderson and Sustainable Stockton members for the many hours of work they put into this project. Contact Sue Anderson at 592-4423 if you would like to be included in the directory, or, add your own listing at any time to the on-line version found on our web site:

[www.sustainablestockton.org](http://www.sustainablestockton.org).

**HOME ENERGY WORKSHOP** IN CUSTER—**FREE TO THE PUBLIC** on Tuesday - January 27, 2009 6:00 pm at the Midwest Renewable Energy Association, 7558 Deer Road, Custer. Learn how to tackle your heating bills, help the environment, and receive a FREE weatherization kit. Presented by Kelly Zagrzebski of the Public Service Corporation.

**Movie/discussion series:** Jan. 15 – Affluenza, Feb. 12 – Crude Impact, March 12 – Power of Community - 7pm at the MREA on Deer Rd. Bring your own drink. Popcorn provided. Over 750 compact fluorescent light bulbs were given away to Stockton residents on Election Day in November reaching over half of the households in Stockton. Sustainable Stockton monthly meetings first Thursday of each month at 7pm; Town Hall – all are welcome!