

# Wrightstown at Work

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### Spring Primary (if necessary):

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

### Spring Election:

Tuesday April 06, 2021

### Offices to be Elected Include:

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Municipal Officers: Village President, (3) Village Trustees

(2) Wrightstown School Board Members

**Election Day Voting Hours 7:00am to 8:00pm**

## Municipal Court

Did you know that Wisconsin State Statutes allow a Municipal Judge to preside over a wedding ceremony? Unfortunately, the pandemic has put a damper on many traditional wedding ceremonies, but there are still options available. Our website, <https://wrightstown.us/municipal-court/municipal-court-weddings/>, will assist you with links to all the information you will need to get started with your plans. We can accommodate a small ceremony in our office (properly socially distanced) if needed. You won't even have to build a snowman in the meadow and pretend that he is Parson Brown!

**We wish everyone a Merry Christmas  
and Happy New Year!**

Perry Kingsbury  
Municipal Court Judge



## Zirbel Sledding Hill

The Zirbel Sledding Hill will be available for use this coming winter at first snowfall. Sledding hours are from dawn to dusk, and is at your own risk. The Zirbel Sledding Hill is located at 352 High Street. Parking is available in the rear parking lot at Village Hall.

We would like to remind all users of the sledding hill to stay within the designated use areas and to place any garbage in the containers provided. If you notice any vandalism to areas of the sledding hill, please notify the Wrightstown Police Department or the Department of Public Works.



## 2021 Dog Licenses — Now Available

Per Wisconsin State Statutes, owners of all dogs more than five (5) months of age are required to annually pay a dog license tax and obtain a license.

Owners may: (1) stop in at Village Hall with their veterinary information relevant to rabies vaccinations and the appropriate fees, (2) mail the information and fees to Village of Wrightstown, 352 High Street, Wrightstown, WI 54180, or (3) place an envelope in the drop box by the Village Hall front door with the documents and fees. Spayed or neutered - \$5.25 for each dog. Non-spayed or non-neutered - \$10.25 for each dog. Checks should be made payable to the Village of Wrightstown. We will process your dog license and mail your dog tag(s), receipt and documents back to you.

The deadline for renewing a dog license is **before April 1st** of each year per Wisconsin State Statutes. A penalty will be assessed against the owner of such dogs in the amount of \$25.00 for each eligible dog not licensed as of April 1st of each year, plus the original license fee.

**REMINDER** – When walking your dog(s), please remember to carry a bag with you to pick up their “doggy do-do”. Everyone will appreciate your cooperation and the respect for their property.





## Police Department

During the holiday season it is easy to be in a hurry and stress out over the little things. During this time of year, please make sure you are concentrating on your driving, as road conditions can deteriorate rapidly. If you are planning a trip “over the river and through the woods” to visit family and/or friends, make sure your vehicle is equipped with supplies should you become stranded. Check out the following link for some excellent suggestions: <http://wisconsin.gov/Pages/safety/education/winter-drv/default.aspx>. It's better to arrive late than not at all.

**Remember, “Ice and snow, take it slow”.**

Also, if you score a lot of new electronics or other serialized items during the holidays, make sure you keep that information in a safe place. No one expects to be a victim of a crime, but unfortunately it can happen. Having a serial number available that we can trace through the pawn shops helps us track down the bad guys! It's also a good idea to not advertise all your new items by placing the empty boxes at the curb on recycling day. Take the time to break those boxes down so they can fit in the recycle bin.

*Make the holidays safe and enjoyable for everyone!*

*Greg Deike  
Wrightstown Police Chief*



## Fire Department

With the cold winter setting in, a quick reminder to keep your furnace vents and clothes dryer vents free of snow and ice buildup during the winter. Also make sure your clothes dryer vent is free from lint build up, all the way from the dryer to the exit outside. Have you changed batteries in your smoke detector and CO (carbon monoxide) alarms? Have you looked at it's “Born on date” or expiration date? Replace any alarm that's hard wired or has a non-replaceable battery, smoke detector, or CO that has a date which makes it more than 5-6 years old with a new one. If they are at or near the expiration dates, replace them. If you're using a “real” Christmas tree, make sure to keep it watered while it's on display.

*Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us at Wrightstown Fire!*

*Mike Schampers  
Wrightstown Fire Chief*

## Winter Street Parking

*prohibits vehicle parking on village streets from November 1 to March 31 during the hours of:*

*2:00am— 6:00am*

**NO  
PARKING**

## Adopt a Hydrant

If you have one of our 263 fire hydrants in your area, please adopt it for the winter by keeping it clear of snow. PLEASE keep it shoveled three feet in all directions as the snow piles up. **We certainly don't want a delay because we can't easily get water from a hydrant buried under the snow.**

By doing so you will help keep your neighborhood safe by providing easy access to the hydrant should the Wrightstown Fire Department need to use it.

## Public Works Reminders:

### Sump Pump Discharge

Reminder: From November 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>, every homeowner who has a sump pump discharge through a curb-cut or hose that discharges directly to the curb & gutter will have to redirect the discharge elsewhere on the homeowner's property. Please be sure you are not discharging to any neighboring property or to an area where discharged water could pool causing icy sidewalks or pedestrian areas.



### Winter Water Plumbing: Tips to Avoid a Costly Winter Plumbing Leak

- Turn off outside water valves to prevent frozen pipes.
- Disconnect all hoses from outside hose bibs to ensure proper drainage and prevent damage caused by water freezing in the devices.
- Protect your plumbing pipes from freezing. When winter temperatures plummet, water can easily freeze inside, causing them to burst. To reduce the possibility of frozen pipes, wrap any uninsulated or piping in unheated areas with pipe insulation.

### Winter & Snow Guidelines

The winter season is here. As the snow falls, there are a few guidelines to keep in mind that will make the season safe for everybody. We would like to remind you:

- For pedestrian safety all sidewalks are to be cleared of snow and ice by the property owner within 24 hours after a snowfall.
- Shoveling, blowing, or plowing your snow into the street makes it unsafe for automobile traffic in the village. It also violates village ordinance and adds to the expense (your cost) of snow removal operations.
- If you see a village or county snow plow in your area, please yield to them. The snowplow operators are constantly maneuvering back and forth to clear the snow, and as a result, may not see you. Please give them the room they need to safely and efficiently clean the road. In addition, please do not park vehicles on the road after a snowfall. Plowing around a parked vehicle requires the operator to come back at a later time, which is not an efficient use of taxpayer dollars. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.
- If your mailbox is damaged from snow removal operations, please see the village website for our mailbox replacement/repair policy.

**Important Reminder - the front of the mailbox cannot extend past the back of the curb.** The DPW staff has checked and made a list of mailboxes throughout the village that were found to be noncompliant.

## Public Works Reminders Cont.

### Christmas Tree Curbside Pickup

Christmas trees will be picked up at the curbside on the following Thursdays: **Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, Jan 7<sup>th</sup> & Jan 14<sup>th</sup>**

Please be sure trees are free of any wires, decorations, stands and bags. Any trees containing these items will not be picked up.

### No Wipes Down the Pipes

Covid-19 has significantly impacted our lives, our homes and our communities. As we put in additional efforts to stay safe and healthy by practicing additional cleaning measures, please remember **NO WIPES DOWN THE PIPES**. The convenience and ease of cleaning wipes is ideal, however, putting these items down toilets may plug sewers and cause raw sewage to back up into your home. There are many products that are marketed as “flushable”....unless it is toilet paper, it should not be flushed. All non-flushable items should be placed in the trash, including but not limited to: diapers, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, cleaning wipes and facial tissues.

### Holiday Garbage & Recycling Schedule

Curbside collection of garbage and recycling will remain on the standard Thursday pick-up schedule throughout the holiday.

Thursday, December 24th – Garbage

Thursday, December 31st. – Garbage & Recycling

To insure proper pick up, please have your cart(s) properly placed at the curb no later than 5:00am on collection days. Please keep your carts within three feet of any objects (mailboxes, utility poles, vehicles, other carts etc.). During the winter months, carts should be placed in the driveway apron or a cleared area on the curb (not in the street or snow bank).

### Holiday Waste and Recycling Tips

Holidays are a busy time of year, but that doesn't mean they have to be a wasteful time. With a little planning and mindfulness, you'll have a wonderful holiday season that you can also feel good and “green” about.

Here are few tips to help reduce waste and recycle during the holidays:

- Wrapping paper can be complicated when it comes to recycling. Since most wrapping paper includes laminations, dyes, glitter, foil, tapes, it's often not recyclable. Opt for wrapping that looks and feels just like paper.
- Get creative with wrapping gifts. Try to avoid traditional wrapping paper in favor of “upcycled” newspapers, paper bags, old posters, maps or sheet music, fabric scraps and so much more. Stockings, sacks or reusable bags are also great for gift giving.
- When ordering online, most items will be delivered in cardboard boxes. Corrugated cardboard should always be recycled. Re-use boxes for gift giving, storage or compact down and recycle in your **green** cart for curbside pickup.
- If you're gifting electronics, gadgets, or toys that require batteries, choose rechargeable batteries and consider including a battery charger. If you receive a new electronic or appliance this holiday season, please remember to properly recycle your old ones. Electronics and appliances are banned from landfills.
- Remember to unplug tree lights at night and when away from home. Have you considered upgrading to LED lights? They are known to be safer, reduce energy consumption and last longer.
- Check labels: Opt for Energy Star Certified products, products that are made from recycled materials or “green” products.
- Season of Giving: Give old clothing, toys and textiles a second life by donating to a charity or thrift shop. You may find something you like there too!



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