

# Town of Menomonie 2025 Newsletter

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**Summary of Major Events in 2025:** On July 4th, a significant storm impacted the Irvington area, resulting in approximately \$31,000 in damages. The town secured a grant of \$21,000 from the Wisconsin Disaster Fund to assist with these expenses. Additionally, 370th Avenue (Beaver Trail), which runs between State Highway 25 and County Highway Y and is jointly managed with the Town of Dunn, underwent reconstruction funded by a state grant covering nearly 90% of the project costs.

**Solid Waste/Recycling Site:** **The solid waste fee will remain unchanged next year!** We'll review costs again in 2026 to determine if an increase is necessary for 2027. **To keep expenses down and service efficient, we're limiting household items such as mattresses, furniture, and small demolition loads to one mattress set, one piece of furniture, or one yard of demolition debris (about half a pickup bed) per day.** Space at our site is limited, and too many items dropped off at once can create problems for others and may require costly special pickups. If you have larger amounts of demolition debris or household goods, you can contact local haulers for a roll-off container, or take these items directly to Seven Mile Land Fill near Eau Claire or the Barron County Incinerator near Almena. The Almena location accepts additional items as well. For details on pricing and hours, visit the Barron County website. Please note, we do not accept light bulbs, electronics, TVs, etc. There are facilities in Eau Claire that handle these items, or you can save them for our upcoming electronics clean sweep—watch our website for details.

**Animal Control:** Please keep your pets on your property. Pick up after them. Wild and stray cats may be trapped and taken to The Humane Society. We do not pick up dogs or cats. If you capture one, you may take it to the Humane Society stating you are from the Town of Menomonie. The Sheriff's Department will pick up captured dogs in some cases.

**Burn Permits:** You do not need a burning permit for campfires. For brush and clean lumber, one must contact the Menomonie Fire Department non-emergency number 715-232-2414 or go on their website and obtain a permit. Do a search for Menomonie Fire Dept Burn Permits and a form will come up for you to complete online. **THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT ISSUE A PERMIT IF THERE IS A FIRE BAN.**

**Snow Plowing:** Please do not plow your snow across the road. It leaves piles on the highway and fills up the shoulders causing problems for motorists if they must use the shoulder of the roadway. It also causes problems with snowplowing when we must wing the snow off the road. If we must come back for removal, you will be charged for the expense.

**County Zoning and Town Permitting:** We are under the county zoning so before building anything contact their office or the chairperson to see if you need their services. Also note any building needs a permit from the town. All new driveways for town road access need a permit.

**Board Meeting Dates:** The Board normally meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 6:00 pm. Please check our web site townofmenomonie.com or the town hall noticeboard for times, date and agenda. Our annual meeting will be April 21st, 2026.

**Fire & EMS services: We are required by law to provide Fire and EMS services.** Our Town receives our services through the Menomonie Rural Fire & EMS District. This is a group of 9 municipalities that contract with the City of Menomonie for these services, The City of Menomonie is going to substantially increase the service fee to The District over 5 years starting in 2026. We plan on having a special meeting next year to explain what impact this will have on our Town and are going to have a referendum in 2026 asking to increase our levy to pay for the increase in fire and ambulance services. Towns, our population size by state law cannot increase our levy unless it is approved through a referendum.

**Right-A-Way** All town roads have an area called a "right-of-way". This is an area in which it is owned or controlled by the Town. Most right-of-way ways are 66 feet wide which is 33 feet from the centerline of the road. This means that anything on the right-of-way, including trees, bushes, fences, structures, etc., can be removed by the Town without the property owner's permission. The right-of-way is maintained by the Town for safety reasons. With this said, before planting trees, bushes, or installing structures, such as fences or flower gardens, please measure the distance from the centerline of the road 33 feet. to make sure it is out of the right-a-way. If unsure, please contact us and we can help determine a safe distance.