

VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON - NEWSLETTER

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DOOR TO DOOR SALES

The Village has an ordinance requiring door to door salespeople (*Also called transient merchant*) apply for, and carry with them, a **Village permit**. If someone comes to your door trying to sell you anything, make sure to ask them for their Village Permit. If they do not have one, let them know that a permit is required and contact the Columbia County Sheriff if they refuse to leave the Village. This includes a company called MadCity Windows -the sheriff has been called twice on them and the company has been notified twice that they are not welcome in the Village without a permit. A Village permit means we have done a background check on the individual and company.

These are a few exceptions to the rule:

- Wisconsin agricultural products the person has grown (vegetables, honey, flowers, etc)
- Prior/current merchant/customer transactions (Schwans)
- Charitable Organization such as Boy/Girl Scouts
- Village residents under 18 years of age



MAY 18-21, 2017

The community-wide garage sale weekend will be Thursday, May 18 to Sunday May 21. Contact the Poynette Press to place an ad which will be in two papers and on a map for that weekend. The paperwork can be found at the Village office along with FREE garage sale signs or contact Poynette Press directly.

ANNOUNCEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held in the Village on Tuesday April 4, 2017, the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents. The two year terms for Village President and Village Trustees will begin on April 18, 2017.

Names on the April Ballot

Village President

Bryan Bjorge

Village Trustee

Josh Bordeur

Tim Rittmeyer



JOSH BRODEUR

Josh is running for the open seat on the Village Board that will be vacated by Traci Wells. The following are answers to some questions put to Josh by the Poynette Press.

Tell us about yourself -

I graduated from Poynette High School in 2005. I am active in the youth programs around the area with coaching and mentoring. I currently work as the Sewer Superintendent for Harmony Grove/Okee Joint commission.

Why do you think you are qualified for this position?

With my current job I have experience with Government Accounting, Budgeting, and Human Resources Management.

Have you held public office in the past?

No, I have not, but I'm looking forward to becoming a Village Trustee.

What do you believe are the roles and responsibilities of a village trustee?

The main role of a Village Trustee is to provide a voice for the community and to maintain a budget that does not exceed our needs. I also feel it is very important to work as a team with our community and those that our community employs.

Describe your highest priorities for the village of Arlington.

Paying attention to our infrastructure and roads are some of my highest priorities, also making sure everyone is heard and involving the community as much as possible.

What do you think the biggest challenges are for village Board?

The biggest challenge is keeping taxes low and maintaining a high level of service for the community.

OPEN BOOK AND BOARD OF REVIEW

- *Do you question how they came up with the dollar amount you are being assessed for?*
- *Do you think your house is worth more/less than a neighbors and wonder about your tax bill?*

Open Book is a very informal casual opportunity for home owners to talk directly with the Village Assessor. Call the Village Assessors office to schedule an appointment (1-800-721-4157) or stop in the Arlington Community Center on April 19 between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Please bring with you any documentation you would like to discuss. If you are not happy with your assessed value after Open Book, you have the opportunity to be heard at Board of Review.

Board of Review is scheduled for May 18 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. and is very formal and can be intimidating because of the formality. You will need to complete the State provided objection forms and submit them to the Village Clerk by noon on Monday May 15. You will need to provide formal oral testimony after being sworn in and supply each member a copy of any documentation you wish to refer to in your testimony. Board of Review forms including a Guide for Property Owners can be found at <http://www.dr.state.wi.us>. There will also be forms available at Open Book and in the Village Clerk's Office.

BRUSH AND LEAF COLLECTION

Brush and leaf pickup will begin on April 10. Please keep *brush* piles smaller than 4ft high and no wider than 8ft. with only one pile per household. Wood/brush diameter cannot be greater than 4 inches and must be stacked neatly with cut end facing (or perpendicular to) the curb. Commercially cut brush shall not be collected.

EASTER EGG HUNT



St. Peters will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 8 at 10:00 a.m. Bring the kids out for a little fun, bags will be provided for them to collect their treasures. Moms, dads, grandparents, all are welcome; we will have goodies for you too. Enjoy coffee, hot chocolate, and snacks while enjoying community fellowship. Bring a food pantry item (for Prairie Pride Pantry) and we will enter your name into a drawing for an Easter basket filled with goodies!

Your Government

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Bryan Bjorge
Trustee	James Laatsch
Trustee	Tim Rittmeyer
Trustee	Traci Wells
Trustee	Jason Humboldt

Village Board meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month at the Arlington Community Center.

VILLAGE OFFICE

PJ Monson, CMC, WCMC
Village Clerk - Treasurer
608-635-2474 – Village email:
villageofarlington@centurytel.net

Office Hours:

Monday:	8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thursday:	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Friday:	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

If the Village office is closed during business hours, I may be at a meeting or running Village errands. Please utilize the night drop by front door.

VILLAGE PUBLIC WORKS DEPT

Garage	635-4781
Dan Mulhern	697-9685

Water/Sewer Utility changes call the Village Office 635-2474

PELLITTERI WASTE SYSTEMS

Trash and Recycling 257-4285

VILLAGE BUILDING INSPECTOR

Kelly Green 697-7771