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TREASURER | *Robert E. O'Brien*

2027 VILLAGE BUDGET | To review the proposed 2027 Village budget click here or visit www.vnbwi.gov/sites/default/files/uploads/documents/Budget%20Notices/2026-budget-notice-for-2027.pdf. The proposed budget was published in the Journal Times on October 29, 2026 and on the bulletin board at Village Hall. The Public Hearing of the 2027 Village of North Bay Budget is scheduled to convene at 7 PM on Monday, November 30, 2026, at Village Hall.

ELECTIONS | *Clerk Dori A. Panthofer*

THANK YOU 2026 ELECTION OFFICIALS | The continued commitment and service of our residents make elections in North Bay possible. We extend our sincere gratitude to Deputy Clerk of Elections & Chief Inspector Susan Hamilton, as well as Chief Inspectors Gary Eichhorn, Kari McGaughey, Rich Schmitt, Chris Veranth, and Kristin Wright. Serving a two-year term, Chief Inspectors complete a minimum of six hours of specialized training.

Additionally, we would like to express our gratitude to the following Election Inspectors for their dedicated service to our community: Julie Asastasio, Sue Arvai, Connie Eberly, Susan Buhler, Linda Cosban, Janice Henshaw, Kay Mackay, Bob & Chris O'Brien, Sue Schroeder, Gail Simon, and Karen Zimmerman. Each of these inspectors complete a minimum of one hour of annual training for their two-year term.

SPRING 2027 ELECTIONS - 3 VILLAGE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION | To run for one of the three Board of Trustees seats up for election on April 6, 2027, please review Chapters 2 and 3 of the Municipal Code and plan to join us at the Village Caucus. Access the Municipal Code here: https://www.vnbwi.gov/government/municipal-code

The following Village offices are up for election on April 6, 2027. Each position is a two-year term, beginning on the third Tuesday in April.

- ★ Village President: Incumbent Roger Mellem
- ★ Trustee #3 Constable: Incumbent Tom LaFave
- ★ Village Clerk: Incumbent Dori A. Panthofer

VILLAGE CAUCUS - NOMINATION DAY! | 7:00 PM Monday, January 11, 2027
Every candidate for any elected Village office shall be nominated by caucus in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.05 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The Village Caucus and Board of Trustee meetings are open to the public.

SPRING PRIMARY | If a spring primary is necessary, it will occur at Village Hall on Tuesday, February 16, 2027. For state and local election information, including voter registration and absentee ballot requests, please visit MyVoteWI

(https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/). All content on the MyVoteWI page is maintained by the Wisconsin Elections Commission.

WATER & WASTEWATER | *Rick Cermak*

SEWERS & LIFT STATIONS - DID YOU KNOW? The Village of North Bay pays all costs associated with maintaining the lift stations that pump residential wastewater into the main sewer line under North Main Street. Improper items have once again been discovered in both lift station pits.

WHY THIS MATTERS! Property tax dollars directly fund these repair expenses! You can assist in avoiding expensive, unnecessary repairs by placing waste in the trash instead of flushing it.



24 ITEMS TO THROW IN THE TRASH (NOT THE TOILET!)
By working together, we can safeguard our infrastructure and extend the operational lifespan of North Bay's lift stations.

To learn more about Racine Sanitary Sewers, please go to www.cityofracine.org/WasteWater/SanitarySewers/.

WHAT NOT TO FLUSH: ***Easy rule of thumb: Flush only human waste and toilet paper!***			
Baby Wipes	Tissues	Hair	Bleach
Diapers	Dental Floss	Medication	Cooking Grease
Menstrual Products	Gum	Cat Litter	Food
Condoms	Q-Tips	Cigarette Butts	Fish
Bandaids	Contact Lenses	Paper Towels	Rodents
Cosmetic Wipes	Cotton balls or pads	Paint	Small Animals

CONSTABLE | *Tom La Fave*

SAFETY TIPS FROM CHIEF SHARRETT

Wind Point Police Department holiday home safety tips:

1. Inscribe valuables (televisions, stereos, computers) with a unique identifier (not your full social security number).
2. Keep an up-to-date inventory with details, serial numbers, and photos off-site.
3. Set at least two light timers to simulate occupancy.
4. Activate alarms and motion detectors.
5. Stop mail and newspaper deliveries or have someone collect them.
6. Arrange for yard care, snow removal, or a house sitter.
7. Lock all doors and windows.
8. Call the Wind Point Police (262-639-3022) for extra patrols while away.\

HOW TO CONTACT THE POLICE

- Emergency: **Dial 9-1-1**
- Use these non-emergency numbers to report safety concerns
  - **Immediate response: Racine County Dispatch: 262-886-2300**
    - Examples: Non-life-threatening incidents.
  - **Non-immediate response: Wind Point Police Office: 262-639-3022**
    - Examples: Found property, ordinance violations, needing to speak to a specific officer, or vacation checks. If an officer is not in the office, please leave a message.
  - **Email: police@windpoint.org**

PUBLIC WORKS | *Paul Schroeder*



2026-2027 WINTER REMINDERS

- **STREETS:** It is unlawful to throw, blow, or shovel snow and slush into the street. You or someone hired by you cannot push, blow, or drag the snow out into the street and "loose it along the street" or push it across the street to the other side.
- **GARBAGE & RECYCLING CARTS**: If a snow event falls on the same day as a garbage pick up**, please keep the carts in your driveway approach off the street so the plows may clear the entire street and not risk hitting them with the weight of the snow discharge from the plow.**
- **PLOWING & ICE CONTROL PRIORITIES:** Attention is given first to high-volume traffic roadways, as they present significantly more safety risks. In North Bay, the public streets on, or connecting with Vincennes Circle east of North Main Street have the highest traffic-volume and are plowed first.

2026 AUTUMN LEAF & YARD WASTE DISPOSAL ENDS SOON! | Click here or visit https://www.vnbwi.gov/sites/default/files/uploads/newsletter/2026-10/2026-october-newsletter.pdf to view last month's edition regarding fall leaf & yard waste collection.

VILLAGE HALL | *Clerk Dori A. Panthofer*



HAPPY THANKSGIVING | On Thursday, November 26, and on Friday, November 27, 2026, elected officials will be off in observance of Thanksgiving. Please note that Village Hall remains open by appointment only, as well as for scheduled Village Meetings and on Election Day.

SECURITY CAMERA UPGRADE AT VILLAGE HALL | Century Security is currently installing new CCTV cameras at Village Hall to replace the aging system following a unanimous vote by the Board of Trustees. This upgrade is essential to enhance overall safety and protect municipal property and infrastructure.

CONTACT INFO | Member listings of the Executive Board, Planning Commission, Board of Appeals, Building/Fence/HVAC Inspector, Electrical Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, Village Assessor and Service Providers can be found on the Village website. Click here for the contact us page. The URL is: https://www.vnbwi.gov/how-do-i/contact-us

VILLAGE MEETINGS | Scheduled village meetings are listed in the table below. Meetings for the Board of Appeals and Stand Up Meetings are convened on an as-needed basis with advance public notice. Meetings are held at Village Hall (3615 Hennepin Place) and are open to the public.

Meeting announcements are published on the News and Announcements section (www.vnbwi.gov/news-announcements/), while meeting agendas are posted to the Agendas & Minutes page (https://www.vnbwi.gov/government/village-meetings/agendas-minutes) and displayed on the Village Hall physical bulletin board a minimum of 24 hours prior to each meeting. Scheduled dates and times remain subject to change with standard advance notice.

Public comments must be delivered in person and orally. Additional details can be found on the Village Meetings page(https://www.vnbwi.gov/government/village-meetings) of the village website.

UPCOMING VILLAGE MEETINGS

Monday, November 30, 2026 *December meetings moved up.*	6:00 PM - Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 PM - 2027 Budget Hearing 7:05 PM - Executive Board Meeting
Monday, January 11, 2027	6:00 PM - Planning Commission Meeting * *Tentative* 7:00 PM - Village Caucus 7:05 PM - Executive Board Meeting