

Town and County Reports

July, 2020

Georgetown Report by Ron Ogren

This past year has been one of transition for Georgetown. We have a new supervisor, Marc Ince, a new treasurer, Renee Marek, and a new clerk, Joan Agne.

It's also been a very difficult year. Tornados devastated the entirety of the town in July 2019. FEMA came in with piles of required paperwork to deal with in addition to the piles of debris from the storm. We worked with Polk County to get the debris cleared as quickly as possible, which left the town with a huge bill from Polk County that had to be paid before the first of the year. FEMA is supposed to cover the lion's share of the cleanup cost, but we've not seen any of those funds yet.

I greatly appreciate those property owners who were patient with us as we dealt with these issues. To those who were less patient, all I can say is we have done the best we could with the resources we have available.

Now, in 2020, we've had to deal with the Coronavirus pandemic. Town meetings have definitely been affected, but the biggest challenge has been getting absentee/mail in ballots out to the many voters who have requested these ballots. This is a monumental task for Wisconsin towns with part time clerks. (Unlike larger urban and suburban municipalities, we only have one full-time employee in Georgetown. All others are part time.)

We appreciate your patience, encouragement and support during these trying times. Thank you.

Town of Bone Lake Report by Andy Brown

- The township continues working with the Luck Lions Club to maintain the north landing and park. Issues that have come up have been: 1) illegal dumping in the dumpster which is for lake and park users' daily garbage only (people have put household garbage and appliances there), and 2) significant damage to the new pavers to the east of the ramp has occurred from different vehicles, damage to the dock has happened from people backing trailers onto the actual dock as well. Cement posts and pavement striping may be installed soon to guide trailers and prevent these types of damage.
- The township worked with a reluctant land owner and the town's lawyer to coerce the cleanup of a barn that had been destroyed last summer near the north landing.
- A 36" culvert was replaced on the south end of 110th St. to prevent road issues. The township requests that residents who live at the south end of 110th St. not park trailers on the road or right of way as the space at the end of the road is needed for town vehicles and emergency vehicles to turn around. Letters may be sent if necessary.

Respectfully Submitted by:
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Bone Lake Township Chairperson