

Village of North Freedom Information Sheet!

Quarter 1 2025 - Happy New Year!



Real Christmas Tree Disposal!

Pickup dates for real Christmas trees will be on:

Monday, January 13, 2025

Monday, January 20, 2025

Trees must be to/on the curb for pickup. Any not to the curb or put out after the above dates will need to be disposed of by the owner.

In observance of New Year's, the Village Municipal Building/Offices will be closed on **Wednesday, January 1, 2025.**

THE 2025 CAUCUS FOR THE VILLAGE OF NORTH FREEDOM WILL BE HELD ON **MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025 AT 6:30 P.M.** IN THE NORTH FREEDOM COMMUNITY CENTER.



Holiday Garbage Pickup will be:

New Year's: **Saturday, January 4, 2025 *TRASH & RECYCLING PICKUP**



The next Community Events planning meeting will be on **Saturday, January 11, 2025 at 9:00 AM** in the **North Freedom Community Center (105 N Maple St, North Freedom, WI 53951)**. This is for planning of a Community Event to be held in the year 2025 and years following. They are in **DESPERATE** need of volunteers to help plan such event! The interested people of the public and local businesses are **HIGHLY ENCOURAGED** to attend!



Tax Collection Information

The Village of North Freedom Village Office (105 N Maple St, North Freedom, WI 53951) will be collecting tax payments during the normal posted Office Hours, however *Mailed payments are appreciated* and can be sent to "Village of North Freedom – ATTN: Clerk/Treasurer – PO Box 300, North Freedom, WI 53951" – and you may also use our convenient drop box service located directly underneath the window with the Office Hours of the Village Clerk! We also have an online payment option!

Dog Licenses - *Send a separate check for dog licenses!*

Dogs 5 months of age or older are required to be registered by **April 1** of each year. Information needed for dog tags: Dog Name, Color, Breed, Sex, Vaccine/Vaccine Manufacturer Serial #, Vet Proof of Rabies Vaccination, Date Given & Expiration Date. **Village residents are limited to only 2 dogs per household with the exception to exceed the limit to 3 dogs per household with application prior to getting 3rd dog – Village Ordinance 12.08(13).**

Unneutered Male/Female: \$12.00

Neutered Male/Female: \$7.00

Duplicate License: \$6.00

Late Fee: \$10.00

3rd Dog Application Fee: \$25.00

Please send a self-addressed AND stamped envelope for tax receipts and dog tags!

2025 Election Schedule!

Spring Primary – February 18, 2025 *IF REQUIRED*

Spring Election – April 1, 2025

Your polling place is the North Freedom Community Center, 105 N Maple St, North Freedom, WI. Polling place hours are 7 A.M. to 8 P.M.

Check out myvote.wi.gov to register and to vote absentee if interested!

VOTE

North Freedom Fire Department Corner

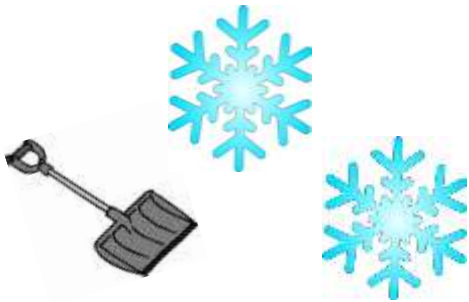
The North Freedom Fire Department is recruiting for volunteers! Call (608) 522-4570 or email - nffd@tds.net - for more information! Give us a follow on Facebook – North Freedom, WI Fire Department!

SAVE THE DATE! The Annual Smelt & Chicken Feed will be held **2/22/25** at the Fire Station for dine-in eating or the Community Center for take-out. More information will be posted. Be on the lookout!

NFFD Volunteers INC. thanks all of our supporters for the amazing turnouts of our past 2 events – Hunters Night Out (10/2024) & the Annual Gun Raffle (12/2024). We appreciate your continuous and generous support! This year's gun raffle will be for Browning guns! Check back for when tickets are available!



Just a reminder of the Village Board meetings that are on the second Monday of every month in the Community Center (105 N Maple St, North Freedom, WI) at 7:00 PM. Come join us! Stay informed!



Snow and Ice Removal Reminders

Per Village Ordinance 8.04 - the owner, occupant or person in charge of each and every building or structure or unoccupied lot in the village fronting or abutting any street shall clean, or cause to be cleaned, the sidewalk in front of or adjoining each such building or unoccupied lot of snow or ice to the width of such sidewalk within 24 hours after the cessation of a snowstorm. When the ice has formed on any sidewalk so that it cannot be immediately removed, the persons herein referred to shall keep the same sprinkled with salt, ashes, sawdust or sand. No person shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, any snow or ice taken and removed from his premises or elsewhere upon any sidewalk, alley, parkway, public place or street in the Village. The Village appreciates your cooperation!



North Freedom Public Library Corner

Monday thru Thursday 1 P.M. to 7 P.M.

Friday and Saturday 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.

Website: northfreedomlibrary.com | Facebook: North Freedom Library



Save the date: Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday April 19!

The start of a new year is a great time to start a new reading journey, or dust off one from the past. We have many great books and suggestions to try, whether it is a paper book, an electronic book, or an audiobook.

Libby is the library system electronic book platform, it is easy to use, and all you need to get started is a library card. It works well with both android and apple products.



For Any Public Works Needs:
Please Contact Director of Public Works, Brad Corrao, At **608-522-4522** – Call or Text! Email: nfreedomdpw@gmail.com

Friends and Neighbors,

Welcome to 2025! May we all prosper in the New Year. For anyone wishing to serve the community, I know three ways in which you can get involved.

First, the Village Caucus will be held Jan. 13 at 6:30 p.m. Three trustees and the one village president seat are up for election. Show up, get nominated, and put your name on the ballot.

Secondly, the first planning meeting of the community events committee was held in December and many great ideas were discussed. The group will meet again on Jan. 11 at 9 a.m. in the Community Center. The more people who get involved the more of those ideas can be offered when the event date arrives. Everyone's help is appreciated so please join us then.

Lastly, on a personal note, when I visited Scotland's Shetland and Orkney Islands in 2023, I noticed an interesting trend. Every village, town and rural hamlet was served by a community cooperative food/convenience store. With but a handful of true cities on the islands, and often miles away, these were a necessary source of supplies for the locals. My thoughts were "Why couldn't a community cooperative work for North Freedom?" I'm not suggesting a village board run or sponsored co-op but a *community* run co-op. This would mean involving not only consumers of the store's products but also producers of those products, workers and members. I feel if North Freedom is ever to grow, something of this nature will be needed. Anyone who finds this idea interesting please contact me 608-522-4208 or michaelcarignan14@gmail.com.

Mike Carignan, Interim Village of North Freedom President



Your Local Officials

Interim Village President

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Trustee

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Trustee

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Trustee

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IMPORTANT ALLPAID (Online Payments) INFORMATION

Effective 1/1/2025 – AllPaid has revised their minimum card (credit or debit) transaction fee to \$3.99/transaction.

- For utility or tax payments: 2.95% or the minimum fee of \$3.99.
- For Miscellaneous payments (dog tags, rental fees, etc.): 4.0% or the minimum fee of \$3.99.

The Village of North Freedom is no longer offering e-check payments done through AllPaid due to the delay in payment posting and the increase of rejected payments.

We apologize for this inconvenience but it is highly encouraged that if you would like to use e-check/ACH payments, to enroll in the auto-pay program through the Village Office.



Check us out on Facebook for all local & business-related news & updates!

Village of North Freedom



Are you wanting Auto-Pay for your Village Utility Bill, no more writing of checks or remembering to pay, and paying late fees!? Contact the Village Office today about our **NO-FEE** ACH program for paying your Utility Bill!

Do you also want your bill electronically delivered to you? The Municipal Utility offers e-bill delivery to a VALID email address! Contact the Village Office today to add your email to your customer profile and have your bills instantly delivered! No more waiting for the mail!



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2025

Refuse/Recycling 2025 Calendar

If you need a larger version of this calendar, you can find them on our website in the Frequently Asked Questions tab.

<https://vonf.wi.gov/frequently-asked-questions/>

One was also mailed to you with your December utility bill.

Refuse/Recycling Services are provided to you from Lenorud Services Inc – Mauston WI. 608-847-2147

Reminder:

Refuse/Recycling prices are increasing to \$15.92/month for the year 2025 effective January 1, 2025.

Friendly Ordinance Reminders

- Alternate Side Parking begins **November 1** and goes until **April 1** of the following year. Village of North Freedom Ordinance 7.04(2)
- There is no parking in the downtown area (From 206 E Walnut to the 100 Block of E Walnut) from 2 A.M. to 6 A.M. - Village of North Freedom Ordinance 7.04(3)
- Please be mindful of maintaining the posted speed limits in the Village! We would like to keep our Village a safe place.

The Village Office will be **CLOSED** the following date:

- **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**

Thank you for your understanding!

Village Office of the Clerk/Treasurer Normal Operating Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Phone – Call or Text!: 608-522-4550 | Fax: 608-522-4574

Email: clerk_treasurer@vonf.wi.gov | Website: <https://vonf.wi.gov>

