2025 Newsletter

TOWN INFORMATION

WEBSITE: www.redcedar.gov

Caucus is tentatively set for January 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Red Cedar Town Hall to nominate candidates for Chair, Supervisors 1 and 2 for the election in April of 2025.

Monthly Town Board meetings are usually held at 6:00 PM on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Town Hall. Notices and Agendas are posted at the Town Hall and on our website.

If you would like to be added to our Town Notices email list, let us know by sending an email to info@redcedar.gov.

Current Population: 2,445

Town Hall Address (not mailing address)

E6591 627th Avenue Menomonie, WI 54751

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

Chair Bob Cook 715.556.2244 chair.townofredcedar@gmail.com

Sup. #1 Erik Hendrickson 715.556.4547 sup1.trc@gmail.com

Sup. #2 Jim Richartz 612.805.9114 sup2.townofredcedar@gmail.com

Sup. #3 Don Hayden 715.308.3391 sup3.townofredcedar@gmail.com

Sup. #4 Nick Berends 715.781.2064 sup4.townofredcedar@gmail.com

Clerk Cheryl Miller 715.556.5034 clerk@redcedar.gov E6990 720th Ave Menomonie, WI 54751

Treasurer Deb Gotlibson 715.556.5063 <u>treasurer@redcedar.gov</u> E7322 N County Rd E

Elk Mound, WI 54739

<u>ASSESSOR</u>

Randy Prochnow 715.309.2863

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Weber Inspections

<u>www.weberinspections.com</u> <u>inspector@weberinspections.com</u>

715.556.0066

Dunn County Zoning Department

715.231.6520

TOWN ORDINANCES

Please visit the Town of Red Cedar website for town information and new and existing town ordinances.

YARD WASTE DISPOSAL INFORMATION

The Town of Red Cedar has a Yard Waste Disposal Site located at N5106 610th Street. Please refer to the Town website for acceptable materials, and days and hours of operation.

CLEAN SWEEP

The Town of Red Cedar has partnered with the City of Menomonie and Town of Menomonie to hold a joint clean sweep event scheduled for September 25, 2025, and are working on holding a joint electronics collection event. Watch the website for additional information.

PLOWING & WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE

The Town of Red Cedar has 62 miles of road and one patrolman. With predicted snowfalls, the town's goal is to utilize an additional part-time plow driver. It is the town's intention for the plow to make at least one pass in a 12-hour period. There are 30 cul-de-sacs and turnarounds which take approximately 20 minutes each to plow. Repairs to equipment and other unforeseen circumstances beyond our control are not accounted for in this 12-hour period.

Right of Way

All obstructions within 15 feet of the edge of the road are in the public right of way and will be removed. Mowing grass, pushing snow, or other materials onto or across roads and/or into the public right of way is prohibited by state law and subject to penalties and fines.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS, PERMITS, & LAND USE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

The town, the Town Building Inspector, and/or the Dunn County Zoning Department require permits, fees, and inspections. Please visit the Town of Red Cedar website, www.redcedar.gov, for information on permits, ordinances, and fees.

Town of Red Cedar Clerk

Contact the Clerk for questions and/or the required land use fees at 715.556.5034 or email clerk@redcedar.gov.

Weber Inspections

Contact the building inspector before starting any project at 715.556.0066 or email inspector@weberinspections.com or see the website at www.weberinspections.com.

Dunn County Zoning Department

Contact the department before performing any work and/or construction at 715.231.6520 or visit the website at www.co.dunn.wi.us/zoning for additional information.

RURAL ADDRESSING & DRIVEWAYS

Refer to Town ordinance 2020-02; clearly visible rural address signage is required for emergency management, deliveries, and general location of residences and businesses. For information on obtaining an address and/or ordering and installing new or replacement rural address signage, call 715.231.6545 or visit the website at www.co.dunn.wi.us/ruraladdressing for additional information.

In addition, for a new driveway on Town roads, refer to the Town website, www.redcedar.gov/permits/town-driveway-access-permit/ or contact the Town Chairman.

REAL ESTATE TAX & LOTTERY CREDIT

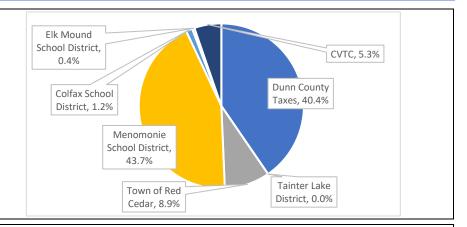
Real estate taxes are due January 31, 2025. Please see Page 2 for payment information.

Did you receive your Lottery and Gaming Credit on your Real Estate Tax Bill? You qualify if you are a Wisconsin resident who owns a dwelling and uses it as your primary residence as of January 1 of the tax year. You don't qualify if you are not a Wisconsin resident; you already receive the credit for another property or the property is not your primary residence on January 1 of the tax year; the property is unoccupied, or a business property, rental unit, vacant land, garage or non-residence property. Apply online by using the Lottery Credit Online Application Portal, www.revenue.wi.gov, and search Lottery Forms. If eligible, apply for the 2024 credit by January 31, 2025.

Please use the payment coupon found on the bottom of Page 3 when paying your taxes, dog licenses(s) fees, and garbage and recycling fees.

WHERE DO YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO?

The annual taxes you pay are appropriated by the town to help cover annual operating costs, including local road maintenance, materials and equipment, salaries, ambulance and fire department services, and assessment services. The information depicted in the chart is based on 2023 taxes payable in 2024. Please reference your tax bill for a further breakdown.



TAXES DUE January 31, 2025

Important Pay the second installment directly to the Dunn County Treasurer, NOT the Town Treasurer.

Taxes are due on or before January 31, 2025. If you choose to pay your taxes in two installments, the first installment (payable to the Town of Red Cedar) is due by January 31, 2025, and the second installment (payable to the Dunn County Treasurer) is due by July 31, 2025.

Your tax bill will be mailed directly to you and can be paid by mail or online at www.redcedar.gov; there is a convenience fee for using the online service. Currently the convenience fee is 2.95% for credit cards and debit cards, the minimum card fee is \$3.95. VPS accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express credit and debit cards, and eChecks. The fee for eCheck payments is \$1.95. When paying your taxes by mail, please tear off the coupon on each tax bill you are paying, add them all together, and mail payment directly to the Town of Red Cedar Treasurer. Failure to include all tax coupons may result in delinquent taxes.

If paying your taxes by mail, make your check or money order payable to Town of Red Cedar and mail to Deb Gotlibson, Treasurer, Town of Red Cedar, E7322 N County Rd E, Elk Mound, WI 54739. Please do not pay your taxes in cash. If you would like a receipt for your payment, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

You can view and print a copy of your tax statement and/or receipt from the Dunn County website, <u>www.co.dunn.wi.us</u>, click on Departments, select Treasurer, click on Look Up Tax Information, and enter your information.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING PROGRAM

Payment of \$255

Due in full or postmarked by January 31, 2025

Wisconsin law requires municipalities to be part of/or implement a municipal recycling program and solid waste management system. The Town of Red Cedar has implemented its own municipal solid waste/recycling program, and the Town has contracted with GFL Environmental for curbside pick-up of garbage and recyclables for all household units. Your household's assessed portion of the program fee, which is due and payable to the town, is \$255 for 2025.

The town accepts payment for garbage and recycling by mail or online. Please use the link on the town website at www.redcedar.gov to pay online. There is a convenience fee for using the online service. Currently the convenience fee is 2.95% for credit cards and debit cards, the minimum card fee is \$3.95. VPS accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express credit and debit cards, and eChecks. The fee for eCheck payments is \$1.95.

Pursuant to Statute 287.093, if full payment is not received or postmarked by January 31, 2025, the garbage and recycling charge, plus interest (12% annually or 1% monthly) retroactive to January 1, 2025, will be added to your Real Estate Tax Bill as a Special Charge.

DOG LICENSES

Fixed/Altered \$7.00 Unfixed/Intact \$12.00 Multiple/Kennel \$45.00 All dogs more than 5 months of age must be licensed annually. Dog licenses are valid from January 1st and expire on December 31st of each year. The town accepts payment for dog licenses by mail or online. Please use the link on the town website at www.redcedar.gov to pay online. There is a convenience fee for using the online service. Currently the convenience fee is 2.95% for credit cards and debit cards, the minimum card fee is \$3.95. VPS accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express credit and debit cards, and eChecks. The fee for eCheck payments is \$1.95.

IMPORTANT: A current, up-to-date Rabies Vaccination Certificate is necessary before a license can be issued. Please mail the rabies certificate with your check or email it if paying online. If you no longer own a dog, please add a note to that effect and send it along with your taxes so your name can be removed from the list.

Please note: Late fees will be assessed and collected from any owner who fails to obtain a license prior to April 1st or within 30 days of acquiring ownership of a licensable dog. Additional fines and penalties for failure to obtain the required license may be assessed per Wis. Statutes and Town Ordinances.

It is required that all residents license their dogs. If you have a rental property, inform your renters that they need to license their dogs. If you are aware of unlicensed dogs, please contact the Town Treasurer.

RECYCLING INFORMATION

There are many useful tips and flyers on the DNR website: https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Recycling https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Recycling

Occupants of single family and 2-to-4-unit residences, multiple-family dwellings, and non-residential facilities and properties shall separate the following materials that are banned from landfills and incinerators statewide and should be reused, recycled, or composted:

Lead acid batteriesMajor appliancesWaste oilYard wasteAluminum containersBi-metal of the containers

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Foam polystyrene packaging Glass containers Corrugated paper or other container board

Magazines Newspaper Office paper
Steel containers Waste tires

Rigid plastic containers made of PETE - SPI Code # 1, HDPE - SPI Code # 2, and PP - SPI Code # 5

CARE OF SEPARATED RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

The recyclable materials listed above shall be clean and kept free of contaminants such as food or product residue, oil or grease, or other non-recyclable materials, including, but not limited to, household hazardous waste, medical waste, and agricultural chemical containers. Recyclable materials should be stored in a manner

which protects them from wind, rain, and other inclement weather conditions. Recyclables must be loose in the cart. Please do not separate or include plastic bags or film.

PREPARATION AND COLLECTION OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

Occupants of single family and 2-to-4-unit residences should prepare recyclable materials as follows:

- Aluminum containers should be clean, rinsed, and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's designated hauler.
- Bi-metal containers shall be clean and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's designated hauler.
- Corrugated paper or other container board should be flattened to save space and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's
 designated hauler.
- Glass containers shall be clean, rinsed, and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's designated hauler.
- · Magazines should be kept clean and dry and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's designated hauler.
- · Newspaper should be kept clean and dry and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's designated hauler.
- Office paper should be kept clean and dry and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's designated hauler.
- The listed rigid plastic containers shall be clean, rinsed, and placed in the proper recycling receptacle provided by the Town's designated hauler as follows:
 - \circ Plastic containers made of PETE, including SPI Code # 1.
 - o Plastic containers made of HDPE, including SPI Code # 2.
 - o Plastic containers made of PP (polypropylene), including SPI Code # 5.
 - o Plastic containers, SPI Code # 3 7, and foam polystyrene shall be landfilled until such a time that the variance is lifted, or recycling markets are available.
- Steel containers should be recycled by contacting the Town's designated hauler for pick up or taken to a salvage yard. These options may include a fee.
- Waste tires shall be the responsibility of residents to properly dispose of. They may be recycled by contacting the Town's designated hauler for pick up or taken to a salvage yard. These options may include a fee.

Please check the town's website at www.redcedar.gov for updates including a list of where to recycle non-mandated items (oil, construction material, etc.). If you have immediate questions, reach out to Deb Gotlibson, Treasurer, at treasurer@redcedar.gov or 715.556.5063.

REGULAR GARBAGE (ALL BLACK CONTAINER) - COLLECTION DAY

South side of Interstate 94 will be collected weekly on Tuesday; North side of Interstate 94 will be collected weekly on Wednesday.

Collection times may vary so we ask that you place your cart curbside the night before.

Carts must be placed correctly to ensure collection. Carts should be placed on the edge of the property of your residence not on the street.

All materials must be placed within the cart. Overflow material will require 24-hour notice. If additional carts are needed, they will be provided at the expense of the resident at \$7.00 per month, per household, per additional cart, contact GFL directly for an additional cart.

RECYCLABLE COLLECTION (GREEN LID CONTAINER) - COLLECTION DAY

South side of Interstate 94 will be collected the second Thursday of every month; North side of Interstate 94 will be collected the first Thursday of every month. Collection times may vary so we ask that you place your cart curbside the night before.

Collection of household items only. For a list, please refer to the Town of Red Cedar Recycling Information. All materials can be placed together within the bin and must be clean. If additional carts are needed, they will be provided at the expense of the resident at \$7.00 per month, per household, per additional cart, contact GFL directly for an additional cart.

NO PLASTIC BAGS OR FILMS CAN BE PLACED WITHIN THE CART.

EXTRA PICKUP RATES

Please contact GFL at 715.492.3351 or carrie.hansen@gflenv.com to schedule and pay for material collection. A 24-hour notice is required to schedule all pick-ups and must be paid for with a credit or debit card prior to collection. Rates include proper disposal plus the handling fee, extra fuel surcharges do not apply. All material will be collected curbside at your residential location and must be placed at the curb no later than 5:00 a.m. on the day of collection. Refer to the GFL Environmental Pricing Sheet on the Town's website www.redcedar.gov.

<u>Please cut along the line below and return with your payment for taxes, garbage and recycling, and dog license(s). Feel free to write one check to cover all payments.</u>



Quantity	Item Description		Unit Price		Total	Make check or money order
	Real Estate Taxes	\$		\$		payable to:
	Garbage/Recycling Fee	\$	255.00	\$		Town of Red Cedar
	Dog Licensing					Mail to:
	Fixed/Altered	\$	7.00	\$		Deb Gotlibson, Treasurer
	Unfixed/Intact	\$	12.00	\$		E7322 N County Rd E
	Multiple/Kennel	\$	45.00	\$		Elk Mound, WI 54739
Total Enclosed \$						
Name						Remember to include rabies
Address						certificate(s).
Phone	Email Address					

Town of Red Cedar Deb Gotlibson, Treasurer E7322 N County Rd E Elk Mound WI 54739

Annual Newsletter for Town of Red Cedar Residents

Important Tax, Dog Licensing, Garbage and Recycling Information, and Payment Coupon