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# THE TOWN BEAT



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## GENERAL TOWN INFORMATION

### Regular Meetings (Open to the Public)

#### Town Board

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday  
6:00PM

#### Planning Commission

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
6:00PM

#### Park Commission

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
5:00PM

Meeting times are subject to change. Check for changes at the Municipal Center & website.

## HOURS OF OPERATION

Municipal Center  
(Weekdays)  
8:00AM – 4:30PM

## RIB MOUNTAIN TOWN BOARD

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## Dear Town of Rib Mountain Residents:

On April 5, 2017, the Town of Rib Mountain filed legal action against Marathon County to block the uniform addressing ordinance passed by the County Board in February 2016. After more than two years of legal battle, the Town of Rib Mountain lost its case at the Wisconsin State Supreme Court.

Our request for exemption from uniform addressing was nothing new for urbanized towns. Similar exemptions were granted by Outagamie County for the Town of Grand Chute and the Town of Menasha in Winnebago County. There are other examples of exemptions in other parts of State as well. Prior to the Town’s legal action, we asked the County Board and their respective Committees for the exemption, but were denied.

Town of Rib Mountain staff and Board of Supervisors made attempts to reach a compromise with Marathon County officials. Compromises given to the County included elimination of duplicate and confusing road names. However, this was also denied. The Town Board felt that the only alternative was to file legal action.

We are aware that the changes being proposed are going to have significant impact on our residents and businesses. Every resident and business will receive a new six-digit address and 61 road names will change. During our discussions with the County, Town officials were told that portions of the community would have black/white signs attached to their house instead of the blue/white flag signs. The difference between those who would have the flag or tile signs was based on the distance of the residence/business to the centerline of the road. Rib Mountain has now been told that **all residents will have blue/white flag signs fixed to a post** near the end of the driveway. This is disappointing to us because this was not the original plan and we feel the blanket of flag signs will be aesthetically displeasing to our community.

The Town of Rib Mountain intends to move forward and adhere to the County’s addressing system. Town staff will continue working with County staff through the implementation process. As noted in this issue of the Town Beat, there will be a Public Informational Meeting on Wednesday, June 26 at 5:00 pm at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center. Marathon County officials will be on-hand to answer your questions. The County also plans on sending out postcards with detailed information on the changes. We will also be asking for your feedback on road name changes.

The Town of Rib Mountain had hoped for a better outcome. We came close with our victory at the Circuit Court of Appeals, but the State Supreme Court had another view. We must move forward and do our part to serve Rib Mountain residents.

For those who want to know more about the decision made by the County Board, we would ask you to contact County Board Chair, Kurt Gibbs, at [kurt.gibbs@co.marathon.wi.us](mailto:kurt.gibbs@co.marathon.wi.us) or at 715-261-1500.

Sincerely,

Town Chairman Allen Opall

## Public Informational Meeting

JUNE 26, 2019  
AT 5:00 PM

Uniform addressing & feedback on proposed road name changes

### RIB MOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CENTER

Marathon County officials will be in attendance to answer your questions regarding implementation.

## RIB MOUNTAIN BIKE RODEO



**JULY 18th AT**

### RIB MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Once again, the Rib Mountain Bike Rodeo will be held in conjunction with the Summer Recreation Program. However, you do not need to be registered for the Summer Recreation Program to participate.

There will be two sessions with the morning session starting at 10:00 am and going to 11:30 am at Rib Mountain Elementary. The afternoon session will be a repeat of the morning and is from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm at South Mountain Elementary.

The Rodeo will offer bicycle inspections and the opportunity for children to visit several stations to test their bicycle safety skills. Also, does your helmet fit properly? Come find out.

This event is put on through the volunteer efforts of the Rib Mountain Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Committee. Other participants include Rib Mountain Cycles and The Aspirus Safe Kids Coalition.

## 4-YEAR VOTER RECORD MAINTENANCE POSTCARDS MAILED

The Wisconsin Elections Commission mailed postcards to registered voters who have not voted in the past four (4) years. The State of Wisconsin does the 4-year maintenance program to clean up the pollbooks and improve date quality. If you receive a post card please follow the instructions on the postcard or please call 715-842-0983 if you have any questions.

## 2ND INSTALLMENT OF REAL ESTATE TAXES

Second installments for property taxes are due by July 31st. Please take/mail payments to the Marathon County Treasurer. The Town cannot accept your payment. No notices will be sent.

**Make your check payable to:** Marathon County Treasurer, 500 Forest Street, Wausau, WI 54403.

## MUNICIPAL CENTER CLOSED 4th of July

The Rib Mountain Municipal Center will be closed on Thursday, July 4th.

## ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS

### ALL NUMERICAL ADDRESSES WILL CHANGE!

Through County Board action in February 2016, Marathon County is implementing a uniform addressing system county-wide. What does this mean to Rib Mountain residents? All homes and businesses in Rib Mountain will now have a six-digit address number instead of four. Residents and Businesses will be responsible for changing their mailing information. Project completion is anticipated by year-end.

As part of the six-digit conversion, Marathon County is also proposing requiring a 20" x 9", blue with white lettering address sign at every property (Excluding Rib Mountain Drive).

In addition to the numerical addressing change, the County is requiring certain roads to be renamed. The following roads have been identified by Marathon County to be renamed. The roads either appear as duplicates within the Town, duplicate in another part of the County, part of the County road system (i.e. County Road R) or is not contiguous with itself.

Rib Mountain will be holding a Public Informational Meeting on Wednesday, June 26th starting at 5:00 pm at the Rib Mountain Municipal Center to give residents the opportunity to review proposed road name changes. County officials will be on-hand to answer specific questions regarding the uniform addressing program. Otherwise, you can contact Marathon County at 715-261-1000. Additional information is also available at <http://myanmarathoncountyaddress.org/>.

### Roads Proposed to be Renamed include:

Arrowood Ct	Butternut Rd	Martin Ave	Primrose Ln
Arrowood Ln	Cardinal Ave	Meadow Cir	Rainbow Ln
Azalea Ct	Chickadee Ln	Meadowlark Ln	Redwing Rd
Azalea Ln	Clover Rd	Moonlite Ave	Redwing Way
Azalea Rd	E Rib Mountain Dr	Mountain Ct	Rib Mountain Dr
Bittersweet Rd	Eagle Ave	Mountain Ln	Rib Mountain Way
Blackberry Ct	Elderberry Rd	N Lakeshore Dr	South Mountain Rd
Blackberry Dr	Falcon Ave	North Mountain Rd	Spring Cir
Blackberry South	Falcon Way	Orchid Cir	Springbrook Dr
Bluebell Dr	Fern Ln	Orchid Ct	Starflower Dr
Bluebell Ln	Flamingo Ln	Orchid Ln	Starflower Ln
Bluebell Rd	Goldenrod Cir	Oriole Ln	Starlite Ave
Blueberry Ct	Goldenrod Ct	Park Rd	Sunflower Ln
Blueberry Ln	Goldenrod Rd	Partridge Way	Sunrise Ct
Bluebird Ln	Iris Ln	Pine Siskin Ln	Sunrise Dr
Bobwhite Rd	Liberty Ave	Plover Ln	Tulip Ct
Brookfield Ln	Mallard Ln	Primrose Ave	Tulip Ln

\*NOTE: THIS LIST IS CURRENT AS OF JUNE 10, 2019. ADDITIONS/SUBTRACTIONS MAY STILL OCCUR BASED ON COUNTY INFORMATION.

## ROADSIDE DITCHES

In an effort to keep storm water flowing, the Town of Rib Mountain Public Works Department prohibits the placement of yard debris such as grass clippings, leaves, or brush along roadways. The debris clogs culverts and can reduce storm water flows. Plugged culverts can lead to flooding and roadside washouts. Please bring these materials to the Yard Waste Site.

## YIELD THE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO WALKERS AND BICYCLISTS

Summer is in full swing and we need to take notice of bicyclists and pedestrians. Please yield the right-of-way at all crosswalks. Chapter 346.46 (2) of the Wisconsin State Statutes regulates that vehicles must stop at a marked stop-line before entering the crosswalk. A stop-line is clearly marked with a thick line on the road locating where you are to stop your vehicle before entering a crosswalk.



## YARD WASTE SITE

Located at 6507 South Mountain Rd.

The Yard Waste Site will be open until Wednesday November 13th unless there's an early snowfall. An attendant is on site to direct you to the appropriate area for leaves, grass clippings, and brush. Please be respectful of the closing times and allow yourself ample time to drop off your yard waste. The Yard Waste Site does NOT accept tree stumps, construction debris, or any animal/pet waste. Please cover your load when hauling brush and leaves to insure they do not blow onto the roadways.

### HOURS:

Wednesday  
1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. or Dusk

Saturday  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## ROAD PROJECTS

Street improvements have been completed on Starling Ln from Rib Mountain Dr to approximately 250 feet to the east. Improvements included repaving the roadway and new sidewalk and curb on the south side of the roadway up to the new Kay Jewelers/Five Guys building.

The long awaited Swan Avenue repaving project scheduled for this summer has been delayed until next year. This is due to numerous buried utilities in conflict with proposed drainage improvements and the need to be relocated. The utility companies will be working throughout the summer to install new buried lines and make connections to the homes. Roadway construction and drainage improvements are planned for spring 2020.

## ROADWAY MAINTENANCE

In the upcoming weeks over \$750,000 will be spent on asphalt paving. An ultra-thin overlay will be placed on Dahlia Ln, Lotus Ln, the remaining section of Lakeshore Dr, Rainbow Ln, Big Pine Ln, For Get Me Not Ln, Moonlite Ave, Liberty Ave, E Lakeshore Dr, Paramount Dr, Starlite Ave, East Tulip Ln, Indigo Dr, East Morning Glory Ln, Kinglet Cir, Warbler Way, Pine Sisken Ln, North Raven Ave, North Martin Ave, Bluebird Ln, West Meadowlark Ln, West Whippoorwill Rd, Thornapple Rd, Laurel Rd, Blackberry Ct, Goldenrod Ct, and sections of Blackberry Dr.

The overlay is a 1-inch thick polymer modified asphalt designed for deteriorated pavements. Sealcoating and crack filling, replacement of drainage culverts, and ditch grading will also occur throughout the community. For further information regarding any of these projects, please contact Scott Turner, Street & Park Superintendent at 715-848-5123.

## STORMWATER RUNOFF

Stormwater runoff is excess water from rain and melting snow that does not seep into the ground. Instead, it runs along the surface, picking up pollutants as it enters our storm sewer system. Whatever the stormwater picks up along its way goes directly into our lakes and streams. Garbage discarded in the streets, excess fertilizers on our lawns, soap from washing cars in our driveways, and diseases from animal waste all contribute to stormwater pollution. These pollutants are a direct cause of algae blooms, fish kills, closed swimming beaches, and fish that are unhealthy to eat. The Town of Rib Mountain is working to protect our lakes and streams from these pollutants by reducing the pollutants entering our stormwater.

### And we need your help!

- Direct rain spouts/gutters to grassy surfaces so the water is absorbed into the ground
- Wash cars in the lawn, not on the driveway (grass removes toxins)
- Build rain gardens to increase infiltration of rainwater
- Use rain barrels to capture rain and re-use for plant watering
- Pick up your animals waste
- Pick up litter in the street
- Don't dump anything into storm sewers or ditches
- Use only the proper amount of fertilizer on your lawn... don't over fertilize!

For more information, visit the North Central Wisconsin Stormwater Coalition:

<http://www.ncwrpc.org/NCWSC/>

## CONSIDERING A CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IN 2019?

The Town of Rib Mountain requires homeowners or contractors to obtain a building permit prior to commencement of any construction, electrical or plumbing work. This includes the placement of yard sheds and the installation of fences and decks. Permits are available at the Municipal Center and can also be found on the Town's website under Building & Zoning Applications and Links. If you have questions about the application process or your anticipated construction project, please feel free to call the Municipal Center at 715-842-0983 and ask for Paul Kufahl or Steve Kunst or send an email to [pkufahl@townofribmountain.org](mailto:pkufahl@townofribmountain.org).

## BLOOD DRIVE

Patients at our local hospitals rely on volunteer blood donors because, quite simply, there is no substitute for human blood. Donors provide a life-saving opportunity with each pint of blood gifted. Support the Town of Rib Mountain and the patients at our local hospitals by donating at the upcoming blood drive: **July 29, 2019 9AM - 1PM**

### Public Safety Building

5901 Hummingbird Road  
Wausau, WI 54401

*Schedule your lifesaving donation today!* Sign up at: [www.save3lives.org](http://www.save3lives.org)  
Call The Community Blood Center at 1-800-280-4102

## TENNIS PROGRAM A SUCCESS!



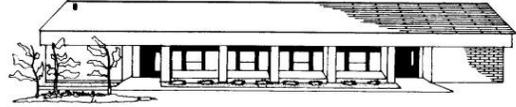
*Thank you* to all those who participated in the tennis program this year. We had 53 participants from K through 5th grade.

The United States Tennis Association (USTA) supplied racquets and prizes. This program was made possible through the volunteer work of Theresa Miles, Laura Reif, Brian Achatz, Erin Achatz, Jonah Stieber, Amy Jaglinski and Julie Post.

We may need your help next year. You don't need to be an expert or pro tennis player. If you are affiliated with Rib Mountain Elementary, this would be especially useful. If you are interested, please contact Gaylene Rhoden, [grhoden@townofribmountain.org](mailto:grhoden@townofribmountain.org) or call the Municipal Center at 715-842-0983.

# Rib Mountain Sanitary District

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## 2018 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

### Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The Rib Mountain Sanitary District is pleased to present this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you of the quality water and services we deliver every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. By testing for over 250 parameters every year, we are committed to ensuring the quality of your drinking water.

### Health Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemo-therapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline (800-426-4791).

### Additional Health Information

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Rib Mountain Sanitary District is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, does not have any lead water services, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at [www.epa.gov/safewater/lead](http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead).

### Water Quality Improvements

We are excited to inform you we have partnered with SEH Engineers to help plan the next steps of improving our water quality. After evaluating several consultants, we feel they are well positioned to provide us the various options in reducing the iron and manganese in our drinking water.

We will immediately begin collecting data, assembling required reports and summarizing the results needed to make these decisions. We will also be speaking with regulatory agencies like the DNR and PSC to assist us in determining the best path forward. After gathering enough information, we will provide you with more details on this process and updates as we proceed.

### [Any Questions?](#)

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Mike Heyroth, Director at (715) 359-6177 or email at [mheyroth@rmsd1.com](mailto:mheyroth@rmsd1.com). We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regular monthly meetings. They are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. at the district administration office, 5703 Lilac Avenue.

## Our Water Source

Our water is pumped from four wells located along the west bank of the Wisconsin River. Each well is approximately 90 feet deep and produces about 500 gallons per minute. The water is treated with a specialized system to remove some of the iron and manganese. Fluoride is added to help promote healthy teeth and chlorine is added to kill bacteria. The pH is also adjusted to make the water non-corrosive, so it does not damage your water pipes.

To obtain a summary of the source water assessment please contact, Mike Heyroth at (715) 359-6177.

## Detected Contaminants

Your water was tested for many contaminants last year. We are allowed to monitor for some contaminants less frequently than once a year. The following tables list only those contaminants which were detected in your water. If a contaminant was detected last year, it will appear in the following tables without a sample date. If the contaminant was not monitored last year, but was detected within the last 5 years, it will appear in the tables below along with the sample date. There was no presence of other contaminants.

### Inorganic Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	Action level	MCLG	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Level Found	# of Results	Sample Date (if prior to 2018)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
COPPER (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.590	0 of 20 results were above the action level.	8-22-2017	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD (ppb)	AL=15	0	6.10	0 of 20 results were above the action level.	8-23-2017	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminant (units)	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2018)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
ANTIMONY TOTAL (ppb)	6	6	.02	0.0-0.2	5-17-2017	NO	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder
BARIUM (ppm)	2	2	.130	.032-130	5-17-2017	NO	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
CHROMIUM (ppb)	100	100	9	0-9	5-17-2017	NO	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits.
FLUORIDE (ppm)	4	4	.4	0.2-0.4	5-17-2017	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
NICKEL (ppb)	100		10.0000	1.900-10.000	5-17-2017	NO	Nickel occurs naturally in soils, ground water and surface waters and is often used in electroplating, stainless steel and alloy products.
NITRATE (N03-N) (ppm)	10	10	1.8	.95 – 1.80		NO	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
SODIUM (ppm)	n/a	n/a	170.00	51.00-170.00	5-17-2017	NO	n/a

### Disinfection Byproducts

Contaminant	Site	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2018)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
HAA5 (ppb)	B1	60	60	3	3	8-7-2017	NO	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHM (ppb)	B1	80	0	13.5	13.5	8-7-2017	NO	By-product of drinking water chlorination

### Radioactive Contaminants

Contaminant (units)	MCL	MCLG	Level Found	Range	Sample Date (if prior to 2018)	Violation	Typical Source of Contaminant
RADIUM, (226 + 228) (pCi/l)	5	0	1.9	1.3-1.9	4-30-2014	NO	Erosion of natural deposits

### Other Compliance

#### Monitoring Violations

Description	Contaminant Group	Sample Locations	Compliance Period Beginning	Compliance Period Ending
Chem M/R – Reg – No Regular samples	Nitrate	1,2,3 &4	1-1-2018	9-30-2018
DBP Monitoring/Reporting	Dbp	Distribution System	7-1-2018	9-30-2018

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. During the compliance period noted in the above table, we did not complete all monitoring or testing for contaminant(s) noted, and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time. There are no special precautions to take at this time. However, it is important to remember that the water quality of your drinking water was not known during this time.

### Actions Taken

Samples were not collected within allocated timeframe. A new sample schedule program was implemented that will notify us when samples are due to be collected.

### Noncompliance with Recordkeeping and Compliance data

Samples were collected 1 month after deadline and all samples were within compliance limits. I certify that the information and statements contained in this public notice are true and correct and have been provided to consumers in accordance with the delivery, content, format, and deadline requirements in Subchapter VII of ch.NR 809, Wis. Adm. Code.

X *Michael E. Heyrlich*

DATE: 6/10/19

## Definition of Terms

Term	Definition
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Level 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
Level 2 Assessment	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine, if possible, why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system, or both, on multiple occasions.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MFL	million fibers per liter
MRDL	Maximum residual disinfectant level: The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum residual disinfectant goal: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
mrem/year	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
pCi/l	picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
ppm	parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/l)
ppb	parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (ug/l)
ppt	parts per trillion, or nanograms per liter
ppq	parts per quadrillion, or picograms per liter
TCR	Total Coliform Rule
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

## Educational Information

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

### Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally- occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which shall provide the same protection for public health.



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## POSTAL DELIVERY CHANGES

The Town is typically not notified when there are changes to your address. Residents should receive a newsletter three times every year. If one is missed, contact the Town of Rib Mountain Municipal Center at 715-842-0983

## POSTAL PATRON

### FIRE PIT AND CAMP FIRE REGULATIONS

The Town of Rib Mountain allows residential fire pits and camp fires provided a few conditions are met. Only clean wood is permitted to be burned. The burning of grass, leaves, and garbage is prohibited. Yard waste should be taken to the Town's Yard Waste Site (6507 South Mountain Road). Further, no burning shall take place when wind velocities exceed 12 miles per hour or during periods of burning bans issued by either the South Area Fire & Response District (SAFER) or the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Burning hours are limited to 12:00 PM to 12:00 AM.



Fire pits shall be constructed with non-flammable materials (e.g. bricks, stone, metal) and be no greater than 32 inches in diameter. Fire pits or commercially built fire containers are to be located a minimum of 20 feet from any structure and 15 feet from any property line. Questions or concerns regarding any fire pit or camp fire can be directed to SAFER at 715-355-6763.

### NEW ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUE

The full revaluation of the Town of Rib Mountain, which began in 2016, is nearing completion. New assessed values have been established for the majority of the Town's real estate parcels. Property owners will be notified of their new assessed values in September. The Assessor will be available by appointment at the Municipal Center after notifications are mailed, for a six-week period to informally discuss the new values. The 2019 Board of Review will be held on November 14, 2019. The last residential area in need of Assessor inspections, South of Goldenrod Road, will be finished in July. Any resident who HAS NOT made an appointment with the Assessor to view their property may still do so. Please remember that the information obtained by the Assessor will be used to determine your property tax amounts for the next five to 10 years...accuracy is an absolute MUST! Any questions, comments, or concerns may be directed to Greg Schmidt, the Town's Assessor at (877) 687-3445 or [assessor@townofribmountain.org](mailto:assessor@townofribmountain.org).

**Thank You to all of the property owners that have taken the time to meet with the Assessor to ensure that their property information is 100% accurate.**