Village of Benton

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Village Office Hours

Monday: Closed
Tues.-Fri.: 8:00-11:30 am
12:30- 4:30 pm

Contact

Phone: (608) 759-3721
Fax: (608) 759-3212
Email: info@bentonwi.us
Non-Emergency Police:
(608) 776-4870

Benton Public Library

48 W. Main St.
(608) 759-2665

Mon.	Noon-6:00pm
Tues.	3:30-6:00pm
Wed.	3:30-7:00pm
Thur.	9:00am-Noon
	3:30-6:00pm
Fri.	9:00am-Noon
Sat.	9:00am-Noon
Sun.	CLOSED

GROUNDHOG DAY

January 28th
Lawrence's Pub & Eatery
46 E. Main St., Benton

AUCTION

- Happy Hour & registration 5pm
- Bucket Auction at 5pm
- Live Auction with Mark Mueller starts at 6 pm

Free Door Prizes throughout the evening. Food and beverages available.

If you would like to donate items for the auction, they may be dropped off at Benton State Bank, Shullsburg State Bank, Priority Insurance, or the Village Office.

Contact Aaron Erdenberger at 608-642-1012 for questions.

Sponsored by the BCDC

Christmas Tree & Garland Pick Up

Curbside pick-up will be available for Christmas trees and garland

Starting Tuesday, January 3rd

Please have trees or garland at the curb by **7AM.**

Snow & Ice Removal

Residents are reminded of their responsibilities to remove ice and snow from sidewalks. Please feel free to contact the village office if you notice an area not being cleared within 24 hours of the most previous snowfall. Thank you for your cooperation.

Alternate Side Parking

According to the Section 320-12(D)(1) of the Municipal Code - **between November 1st and April 1st**, alternate side parking is in effect. Plan to park for the next day. That is, in the evening park on the even numbered side of the street when the next day is an even numbered day, and park on the odd numbered side of the street when the next day is an odd numbered day.

Adopt a Fire Hydrant

Help keep your community safe this winter by adopting a fire hydrant in your neighborhood. By removing the ice and snow from around the hydrant, you can help make access easier in an emergency.
Thank you for your help!!!

Tax Bills in the Mail

The Village of Benton property tax bills have been calculated and were mailed December 12th, 2016.

Property tax owners may submit payment to the Village of Benton in person, online, or by mail beginning immediately. The first installment is not due until January 31, 2017.

The overall mill rate decreased from 0.02331755 to .02329925. The lottery credit, (eligibility based on the property being used as your primary residence on January 1, 2016) increased from a maximum of $130.88 to $138.09. The first dollar credit maximum decreased from $81.02 to $73.43. The assessment ratio to be used in calculating fair market value on tax bills is .8899.

The example shown compares the taxes of a home assessed $100,000 in 2015, with the same home assessed $100,000 in 2016.

Always feel free to contact the village office if you have any questions regarding your tax bill. These tax bills are for your 2016 taxes payable in 2017. The first half is due January 31, 2017, to the village office, and the second half is due July 31, 2017, at the county treasurer's office.

	2015 Taxes	2016 Taxes
Assessed Valuation	$100,000	**$100,000
(X) Multiply Mil-Rate	0.02331755	.02329925
=Taxes Before Lottery Credit	2331.76	2,329.93
Less Lottery Credit	-130.88	-138.09
Less First Dollar Credit	-81.02	-73.43
=Net Taxes	**$2,119.86**	**$2,118.41**

OVERALL TAX DECREASE
$1.45 for a home assessed $100,000.00
**assumes no increase in valuation.

Online Tax Bill Payment Option

In an effort to make paying your Village of Benton tax bill more convenient, online bill payment is available. Credit card payments may be made at **www.officialpayments.com** You will need your parcel number or your bill number to make an instant, online payment. Both of these can be found on your paper tax bill. Please note there is a fee for this service.

NOTICE OF SPRING ELECTION
APRIL 4th, 2017
VILLAGE OF BENTON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an election is to be held in the Village of Benton, on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017**, the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term for village trustee and village president begins on April 18, 2017. All terms are for two years.

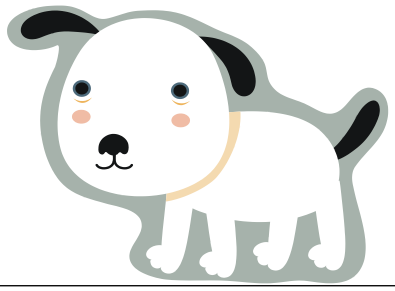
Office	Incumbent
Village President	Gary McCrea
Village Trustee	Cal Robbins
Village Trustee	None
Village Trustee	Kenneth Farrey

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2016, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 3, 2017, in the office of the Village Clerk at 244 Ridge Avenue, Benton, WI.

Further notice is given that if a primary is necessary, it will be held **February 16, 2017**.

Dog Licenses

It's that time of year again. In the interest of public safety, any dog older than 5 months that is being kept within the village must be licensed. The fee for this license is $5.00 for a spayed or neutered dog and $10.00 for an unaltered dog. If a license is not obtained prior to April 1st, a $5 late fee shall be assessed. Please refer to WI state statute 174.05 (1) through 174.07, which outlines the requirements and fees for owning a dog in the state of Wisconsin.



Board Minutes

Available at:

Benton Bank **Benton Post Office**
Zephyr Depot **Benton Bus Incubator**
& online at **www.bentonwi.us!**