



Town of Raymond

Town Budget Hearing 7:00 p.m.

The Town of Raymond will hold their budget hearing on Monday, November 19, 2018 at 7:30 PM, at the Raymond Town Hall located at 2255 76th Street, Franksville, WI 53126. Look inside for the Town's 2017 proposed budget as well as the Storm Water Utility District Budget. An itemized copy of the 2018 budget is available upon request at the Town Clerk's office.

Town Board

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| **Town Chairman | Gary Kastenson |
| **Supervisor #1 | Tim Geszvain |
| **Supervisor #2 | Dave Lecus |
| Supervisor #3 | Paul Ryan |
| Supervisor #4 | Doug Schwartz |

**These positions are up for re-election in April of 2019, as well as the municipal judge.

Planning Commission

The Town of Raymond Planning Commission members consist of 7 Commissioners. We would like to thank Harold Strohmeier, Gary Boldt, Steve Daily, Art Binhack, Joe Strueder, Kevin Cantwell, and Scott Brenton for all their time and commitment on behalf of the Town of Raymond. Two terms will be expiring on May 1, 2019. The Town Board will be advertising the openings in early spring at three posting sites as well as the town website.

Storm Water Utility District

The Town of Raymond Storm Water Utility district consists of 5 Commissioners. We would like to thank Scott Brenton, Paul Ryan, John Strueder, Brent Kultgen and Doug Schwartz, for their time and commitment on behalf of the Town of Raymond.

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- Town Clerk:** Linda M. Terry
Town Treasurer: Lee Marie Toll
 Treasurer Office Hours: Thurs. 9:00a.m. to 12:30p.m.
Deputy Clerk: Janice Welch
Building Inspector: Lee Greivell (262)835-4819
 Office Hours: 8:30a.m. to 10:00a.m. Tues. & Thurs.
Town Board: Meets the 4th Monday of each month at 7:30p.m.
Planning Commission: Meets the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30p.m.
Storm Water Utility District: Meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00p.m.
Municipal Court: Judge Joseph M. Purpero
 Court Clerk—John Evans (262)835-1651
 Court Convenes the first Thursday of each Month at 9:00 am
Assessor: Magnan Assessment Service (262)542-3332

Town Hall Office Hours: 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. Monday thru Friday
Phone: (262) 835-4426 **Fax:** (262)835-4449
Email: townofraymond@core.com
Website: www.raymondtownof.com

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Raymond will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed 2019 Budget of the Town of Raymond on Monday, November 19, 2018, at 7:30 PM, at the Raymond Town Hall, 2255 – 76th Street, Franksville, WI. The proposed budget in detail is available for inspection at the Town Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, or on the Town's Website: www.raymondtownof.com

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that on Monday, November 19, 2018,, immediately following completion of the Public Hearing on the Budget, a Special Meeting of the Electors called pursuant to Sec. 60.12(1)(c) of Wis. Stats., by the Town Board for the following purposes, will be held:

- a. To approve the total 2019 Highway expenditures pursuant to Sec. 82.03(1)(a) of Wis. Stats;
- b. To adopt the Town Tax Levy to be paid in 2019, pursuant to Sec. 60.10(1)(a) of Wis. Stats;
- c. To approve the Town Officer's salaries for the April 2019-2021 term pursuant to Sec. 60.32 of Wis. Stats;

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2018.

Linda M. Terry
Town Clerk
Town of Raymond

	Actual thru Sept. 30, 2018	ESTIMATED Jan - Dec. 2018	Budgeted 2018	Proposed 2019	18 v 19
REVENUES					
Taxes	1,055,686.68	1,055,686.68	1,055,687.00	1,060,602.00	0%
Taxes (all other)	13,870.82	13,870.82	300.00	730.00	1.433333333
Total Charges for Services	159,874.10	195,686.60	145,680.00	173,190.00	0.18883855
Total Fines & Forfeitures	15,891.12	18,931.12	19,040.00	19,040.00	0
Total Intergovernmental Revenue	146,149.58	226,296.38	224,158.33	233,363.13	0.041063832
Investment Revenues	14,250.29	17,450.29	3,500.00	16,000.00	3.571428571
Debt/Loan Proceeds	96,264.22	96,264.22			
Total Licenses, Permits & Fees	165,338.21	190,188.21	181,440.00	180,950.00	-0.002700617
Transfer from Reserve Accts.	-			-	
Miscellaneous Revenues (including sale of equipment)	9,428.34	10,578.34	6,775.00	7,250.00	0.070110701
TOTAL REVENUES	1,676,753.36	1,824,952.66	1,636,580.33	1,691,125.13	0.03332852
EXPENDITURES					
General Government	181,672.33	352,622.55	400,572.11	443,171.91	0.106347394
Public Safety	255,091.64	355,704.89	344,631.65	356,046.65	0.033122321
Public Works	396,928.27	703,445.77	734,025.00	734,025.00	0%
Health & Human Services	39,470.00	30,920.00	30,820.00	31,350.00	0.017196626
Culture, Recreation, Education	2,937.08	3,937.08	4,300.00	4,300.00	0
Conservation & Development	5,123.70	7,023.70	3,445.00	3,445.00	0
Debt Service	118,786.57	118,786.57	118,786.57	118,786.57	0
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,000,009.59	1,572,440.56	1,636,580.33	1,691,125.13	0.03332852
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	676,743.77	252,512.10	-	-	

ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND PROPRIETARY FUNDS COMBINED	Fund Balance 1/1/2018	Est. Total Revenues	Est. Total Expenses	Transfers	Est. Fund Bal. December 31st	Property Tax Contribution
General Fund	517,756.00	1,824,952.66	1,572,440.56	(\$25,000.00)	745,268.10	\$ 1,055,987.00
Assigned for Cemeteries	28,042.00	679.50	900.00		27,821.50	
Unassigned for Cemeteries	(293.00)	3,850.50	15,000.00		(11,442.50)	
Stormwater Utility-net position	669,017.00	117,385.12	184,580.07		601,822.05	
Reserved for Equipment/Other	127,678.00	1,795.00		25,000.00	154,473.00	
Total	1,342,200.00	1,948,662.78	1,772,920.63	-	1,517,942.15	\$ 1,055,987.00

RAYMOND STORM WATER UTILITY DISTRICT

	2018 BUDGET	ESTIMATED Estimated 2018	PROPOSED 2019
REVENUES			
Taxes	117,000.00	116,559.83	117,000.00
Intergovernmental Revenues	-	-	-
Licenses & Permits	-	-	-
Public Chares for Services	-	-	-
Misc. Revenue/Interest earned	499.92	825.29	500.00
Total - All Revenue	117,499.92	117,385.12	117,500.00
EXPENDITURES			
Operating & Administrative	153,750.00	150,000.00	153,750.00
Debt Service	34,580.00	34,580.07	29,106.70
Reserve Fund	-	-	-
Total Expenditures & Reserve	188,330.00	184,580.07	182,856.70

RAYMOND CEMETERY FUND BUDGET

	2018 Budget	Estimated 2018	Proposed 2019
REVENUES			
Lot Sales	6,000.00	4,530.00	3,600.00
Tower Rent	9,840.00	10,214.06	10,467.36
Interest	33.00	350.00	350.00
TOTAL REVENUES	15,873.00	15,094.06	14,417.36
EXPENDITURES			
Cemetery Maintenance	11,000.00	15,820.00	15,820.00
Postage	5.00	-	5.00
Supplies/Utilities	300.00	390.00	395.00
Reserve for Perpetual Care	900.00	679.50	540.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & RESERVES	12,205.00	16,889.50	16,760.00

Property Tax Payment Methods

By Mail

Town of Raymond
Attn: Treasurer
2255 76th St.
Franksville, WI 53126

Town Hall Drop Box

There is a mail slot located on the north side of the Town Hall to the left of the side door.

Pay by Debit, Credit or E-Check

We accept debit and credit card payments as well as e-checks for town bills, court citations and tax payments for real estate and personal property taxes. These payments can be made in person, over the phone or use the link on the town website. The telephone number is:
1-800-272-9829. The website is www.officialpayments.com. Enter Jurisdiction Code 6841.

2018

Tax Payments will be accepted during the following hours only:

Monday, Dec. 10 th	7:00pm - 9:00 pm (Accepting payments only if tax bills have been mailed)
Thursday, Dec. 13 th	8:30 am - 11:30 am
Saturday, Dec. 15 th	8:30 am - 12:30 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 18 th	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Thursday, Dec 20 th	8:30 am - 11:30 am & 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Thursday, Dec.27 th	8:30 am - 11:30 am & 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 29 th	8:30 am - 12:30 pm

2019

Thursday, Jan. 3 rd	8:30 am - 11:30 am
Saturday, Jan. 5 th	8:30 am - 12:30 pm
Thursday, Jan. 10 th	8:30 am - 11:30 am & 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Thursday, Jan. 17 th	8:30 am - 11:30 am
Saturday, Jan. 19 th	8:30 am - 12:30 pm
Thursday, Jan. 24 th	8:30 am - 11:30 am & 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Thursday, Jan. 31 st	8:30 am - 11:30 am & 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Payment Tips

PLEASE make checks payable to **TOWN OF RAYMOND** and enclose the appropriate stub from the bottom portion of the bill.

PLEASE include a **SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE** if you are not paying in person and would like a receipt. You are now able to view and print your receipt in real time at Racinecounty.com/government/county-treasurer/property-taxes. Search by name, address or parcel ID.

DO NOT send cash in the mail. **NO** refunds will be issued at the time of payment. **Refunds will be sent in the mail by check** after the payment has been deposited and cleared the bank for 10 days.

DO NOT send your July payment (if electing installments) to the Town. **PLEASE** send to the **Racine County Treasurer** by July 31, 2019. **We cannot accept any form of tax payment.** If using Official Payments, enter "Racine County" as the entity and "Real Estate Taxes" for payment type for the July installment.

2019 Dog Licensing

Neutered/Spayed Fee	\$10.00
Unaltered Fee	\$15.00

A Proof of Rabies Vaccine is **REQUIRED**. A Dog License **will not** be issued without updated vaccines.

PLEASE make out a separate check for dog licenses. Do not include the license fee on your real estate tax payment check.

Be sure to include a stamped self-addressed envelope for the license, tag and paperwork.

Make checks payable to **TOWN OF RAYMOND**. A late fee of \$5.00 will be assessed after March 31, 2019.

Election Information

The following Town Board positions will appear on the ballot in the Spring of 2019. The positions are a two-year term.

Town Chairman – Gary Kastenson
Supervisor #1 – Dave Lecus
Supervisor #2 – Tim Geszvain
Municipal Judge – Joseph Purpero

The first day nomination papers can be circulated is December 1, 2018.
The candidate packets can be picked up in the Town Clerk's Office.



2019 ELECTION DATES

February 19, 2019 Primary (if necessary)

April 2, 2019 Spring Election

If you live in the Town of Raymond, we have one polling place, the Town Hall.

VOTER REGISTRATION

You can register to vote in the Clerk's office during regular business hours, Monday—Friday, 9:00 am—4:00 pm, or go to the MyVote Wisconsin Website at

www.myvote.wi.gov

At this site you can register to vote, check your voter registration status, find your polling place, see what's on your ballot, request an absentee ballot and check provisional ballot status.

VOTER ID IS REQUIRED

Learn more about photo ID and voting at www.gab.wi.gov/elections-voting/photo-id or www.bringit.wi.gov

Visit the Voter Information Center at:

www.gab.wi.gov/voters

Find answers to questions about how to register, where to vote, when to vote absentee and much more.

Thank You Poll Workers!!!

This November election brought out many voters – many of which were "Absentee Voters". The Town's Poll Workers did a wonderful job at this very busy election. Thank you all. You do a wonderful job, and your hard work and dedication is much appreciated. If anyone would like to become a poll worker for the 2020-2022 elections, please contact the Town Clerk @ 262-835-4426.

TOWN OF RAYMOND WEBSITE

What has the Town Board been working on? When are the next meeting dates? Where can I learn more about what's going on in the town? Don't forget that this and more information can be found on the Town's official website: www.raymondtownof.com.

The website is one of the best places to go if you have a question about the Town. If you have any input as to other items that you think would be beneficial to have included on the website, please contact the Clerk's office at 262-835-4426 or send an e-mail to:

TownofRaymond@core.com

TOWN ORDINANCES CAN BE FOUND UNDER THE "TOWN BOARD" TAB ON THE WEBSITE

Hall Rental Available

The Town Hall and Recreation Facility are available to rent. For further information and cost, contact the Town Clerk's office.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Snow in the Right of Way

There is a Town ordinance that restricts plowing any snow into the ditches by your property.

“No snow may be pushed, plowed, deposited, left or piled in Town rights of way or ditches.”

Any questions, contact DPW at 262-835-2426.

Secure Those Mailboxes!

Winter will be here soon. Please check your mailbox to make sure it is **SECURELY** attached to your posts and that your posts are **SECURELY** in the ground. During times of very wet, heavy snow, some mailboxes have been knocked down. This is **NOT** because the plow hit them, but rather the force of the slush coming off the blade hits the mailboxes. Please take time this fall and throughout the winter to check your mailbox **AND** post. Thank you.

Culverts

Falling leaves have a way of collecting and eventually clogging driveway culverts. Please clean out your culverts this fall to help eliminate culvert freeze this winter.

Address Signs

Please be sure your address sign is visible from both directions. If your sign is tipping, please straighten it out. If your sign is missing or damaged, please call 262-835-4426 for a replacement. Having your sign visible allows emergency personnel to find your home quickly.

**THANK YOU TO: JOHN, ALBERT,
BRAD AND RANDY for the
Wonderful Job you do on
the Town Roads and other Town
Properties!!!**

WHEN IS A BUILDING PERMIT NECESSARY?

Below are the required permits for improvements you may be making to your home or business in the future. If any improvement is done without the required permit, you may be subject to a penalty and be required to remove the improvement. To obtain a permit, please contact the town building inspector Lee Greivell at 262-835-4819.

- All new residential dwellings or commercial buildings
- All additions and alterations (incl. roof replacement)
- Moving of buildings
- Swimming Pools
- Sheds, Garages, Pole Barns
- Decks
- Razing a structure
- Heating, air conditioning and fireplaces
- Plumbing & Electrical
- Any other permits as required by governing municipalities

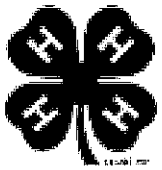
Soil Disturbance Ordinance

Please remember to follow the Town of Raymond ordinance regulating soil disturbance. The ordinance can be viewed on the town website. Any person conducting a land disturbing construction activity involving excavating, filling or a combination thereof is required to obtain a permit from the Town of Raymond. A permit application and packet can be picked up from the Town Clerk's office. Anyone in violation of this ordinance is subject to strict penalties and fines by the town.

**MAKE SURE TO
LICENSE YOUR DOG!**



The paperwork is with your tax bill or see the bottom of page 4 in this newsletter for more information regarding the licensing of your dog(s).



Raymond 4-H

Raymond 4-H is comprised of over 200 members, club officer, Junior Leaders and Adult Leaders. We offer many opportunities to our members, from club events, learning lifelong leadership skills, to offering many project opportunities. Raymond 4-H focuses on numerous community service projects through out the the 4-H year. We strive to make 4-H fun, rewarding and educational. Let us partner with you to get the most out of your 4-H experience.

We meet the first Monday of every month (except Nov, June, July & Aug) at Raymond School.

For more information visit us on Facebook or www.raymond4h.org

Raymond Neighborhood Watch Annual Meeting & Medication Collection

Thursday, April 25, 2019

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Raymond Youth Baseball, Inc.

Registration begins Mid-January through February
Visit the website at: www.raymondyouthbaseball.org

- Co-Ed Coach Pitch (4K to 1st grade)
- Girls Fastpitch Softball
 - Pintos – 2nd to 4th grade
 - Juniors – 5th to 7th grade
 - Seniors – 8th to 10th grade
- Boys Baseball
 - Minors – 8 to 10 years old
 - Majors – 11 to 12 years old
 - Ponies – 13 to 15 years old

Raymond Community and Business Organization

We are a small group of volunteers that organize a variety of events in the community. Our next event is Santa Sunday, held on Sunday, December 2nd from 2 – 4 pm at the Raymond Town Hall. Santa and Mrs. Clause will be there to greet the children. There will be crafts to make and if you bring a non-perishable food item you have a chance to win a "giant stocking of toys". Our Easter Eggstravaganza will be on Sunday, April 14th. You need to pre-register for this event. There will be 100's of stuffed Easter Eggs, games and prizes. Be sure to participate in the Coloring Contest. Our 4th of July Festival was once again a success thanks to the many volunteers that help make this two day festival a success. We are always looking for additional members. We meet 4 times a year. Visit our website at www.rcbo.club for more information on the events and how to become a member.

**Contact your local library to find out
about their programs.**

Graham Public Library
1215 Main Street
Union Grove, WI 53182
262-878-2910
www.uniongrove.lib.wi.us

Waterford Public Library
101 N. River Street
Waterford, WI 53185
262-534-3988
www.waterford.lib.wi.us

Central Racine County Health Department

SAFE SLEEP FOR BABIES

Every year, infants die from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and other sleep-related causes of infant death. Sleep-related causes of infant death are linked to how or where the infant sleeps. Caregivers and parents can practice safe sleep today! By following a few simple tips, you can create a safer sleeping environment for your baby.

- Infants should sleep on their back for every sleep and nap until one year old. Parents sometimes worry about their child choking if they are on their back. However, sleeping on their back does not increase the risk of choking because infant's airway anatomy is designed to protect against this. If they spit up, the child will swallow it, not breath it in.
- Use a firm sleep surface. Babies should be asleep on a firm sleeping surface such as a crib mattress, bassinet or pack n' play with a fitted sheet. Car seats, slings or swings are not good places for routine sleep because the baby could move to a position that can make it difficult to breathe.
- Share a room, not a bed. Have your child's sleep area in the same room and sleeping on a separate surface. Remember to return your infant back to their crib when you are ready to go to sleep.

About Cribs for Kids

The mission of Cribs for Kids® is to prevent SIDS and infant sleep-related deaths by educating parents and caregivers on the importance of practicing safe sleep for their babies and by providing portable cribs to families who, otherwise, cannot afford a safe place for their babies to sleep. Cribs for Kids classes are held at Burlington WIC, Central Racine County Health Department and Ascension All Saints. Contact Central Racine County Health Department at 262-898-4460 to see if you qualify to join a Cribs for Kids class.

Thank you Sharon Korponai for being the Town's liaison with the Health Department.

Hunters' Safety Courses

Registration will be held Saturday, January 26, 2019, from 9:00a.m. to Noon at the Raymond Town Hall. There is a \$10 fee for the class. You will need to contact the DNR at 1-888-936-7463 for an ID # prior to registration. Please have your DNR ID# with you at registration. If you cannot attend this date or you have any further questions, please contact David Lecus at (262)412-5275 or Gary Boldt at (262)412-3553. Classes will be held at the Raymond Town Hall. Classes will be held on February 2nd and 3rd, from 9:00 am—4:30 pm. Students with special needs must contact the instructor at least two weeks in advance before the course to request special accommodations.

TOWN HALL HOLIDAY HOURS

THE TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED :

Thanksgiving – November 23rd and 24th

Christmas – December 24th and 25th

New Year's – December 31st and January 1st

Posting Places

There are three posting places in the Town of Raymond where various town notices are posted including agendas. They are at the town hall, Otto Paap Company at 2524-76th Street and X-Treme Fireworks at 2720-W. 5 Mile Road.

Drop Box

The Clerk's office has a drop box at the town hall. It is located on the north side of the building. Look for the "Drop Box" sign.

TRASH & RECYCLING NEWS



ITEMS TO RECYCLE

Magazines, office paper, brown paper bags, newspapers, paperboard, junk mail, phone books, paper, cardboard, dairy and juice containers, aluminum cans, tin or steel cans, glass, bottles and jars, cardboard, plastic bottles and containers #1—#7.

Garbage Pickup

The Town of Raymond does not have weekly home garbage collection. If you would like home garbage collection, please contact Waste Management at 262-878-3818 or Veolia Environment Muskego location at 262-679-0860 to find out about their contract services and prices.

If residents do not want to contract for garbage collection, they are allowed to take their waste to the Metro Landfill, which is located on Highway 45 and 8 Mile Road (the entrance is one block east of Highway 45 on 8-Mile Road). Their hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and on Saturdays from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you have any questions, please call Metro Landfill at 1-414-529-6180.

*Residents arriving at the facility shall show proof of residency. Driver's License, utility bill or rental agreement are acceptable forms of residency.

*The maximum waste volume accepted shall not exceed 2 cubic yards per visit.

*Large loads from cleanouts or construction debris, boats, and hot tubs will not be accepted at the residential area and are subject to the standard gate rate.

*Appliances/white goods are not accepted at the residential area and must be recycled. This includes microwaves, refrigerators, washer and dryers, dehumidifiers, humidifiers and water heaters.

*Four automobile tires per year will be accepted per resident at the residential area. No large tires such as agricultural tires and semi tires will be allowed and are subject to gate rate.

*No plastic bags in the composting area. Bags must be emptied and put in the trash.

*The gate attendant reserves the right to reject any item self hauled by a resident or charge the resident the standard gate rate to accept the items.

THANK YOU, Stan Bugnacki!

Stan has volunteered his services as the liaison for the Town regarding the Landfill Siting Committee Matters.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Locations

MUSKEGO

Jensen Environmental Management
W144 S6347 College Court

• 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 8 a.m. to noon
CLOSED DECEMBER AND JANUARY

FRANKLIN

Veolia Environmental Services
10518 South 124th Street

• 2nd and 4th Saturdays, 8 a.m. to noon
CLOSED DECEMBER AND JANUARY

Both of these sites are closed during the months of January and February and also on holidays. Check the holiday closing schedule at

www.waukeshacounty.gov/hazardouswaste

or call 262-896-8300

Racine Re-Store Habitat for Humanity

Re-Store accepts donated new and gently used goods from retailers, contractors and homeowners. These goods are then sold at reduced prices to the public.

The store operation generates funds that go directly to supporting Habitat for Humanity's home building program in Racine, while reducing the amount of material that would otherwise go into overflowing landfills.

The Re-Store is located at 2302 DeKoven Ave. Racine on the northwest corner of the Kranz building. Store hours are Tuesday & Thursday 10:00a.m. – 4:00p.m. and Saturday 9:00a.m.-4:00p.m. Any questions can be directed to 262-898-2929

Electronics Disposal Ban It's the Law!

State Statute 287-07 (5) - As of September 1, 2010 it's illegal to put these electronics in the trash in Wisconsin: cell phones, computers, computer monitors, computer peripherals, desktop printers, fax machines, televisions and video recorders/players. To learn more go to www.wm.com (search "recycling") or call 1-888-960-0008.

LEGACY RECYCLING in Sturtevant will take old TV's. They charge \$20.00 for up to 27" tube type TV; more for larger sets. Also, Best Buy takes electronics and flat screen TV's for a charge.

<http://www.legacy-recycling.com>

News from Raymond Fire & Rescue

2018 Year in Review

Every year flies past, membership and leadership changes, incidents come and go. 2018 has not been different from any other year. The local news has been filled with the latest issues with development and the Town of Raymond Fire & Rescue Department (RFRD) keeps moving along, responding to incidents in our community and along the construction corridor.

In 2016, RFRD responded to 299 incidents; 2017 showed an upswing to 399 responses. As of June 2018, we have responded to 208 calls which is trending towards another slight increase of approximately +4%. The department has endured some significant calls this year, from miserable wintery conditions during a barn fire to hazardous hot weather during a commercial structure fire.

Through an automatic aid agreement with the Wind Lake Fire Department (WLFD), at approximately 12:30 pm on July 1, 2018, RFRD was dispatched at the same time as WLFD for a fire alarm at John's Disposal in the Norway Industrial Park. Just a few minutes later, a second dispatch came from a 911 caller that a bale of recycle material was on fire close to the building. No one was working there when the fire started.

Using the Mutual Alarm Box Alarm System (MABAS), more than eighty fire departments from as far north as Ozaukee County and as far south as Lake County, Illinois, aided WLFD in battling the fire. It was the largest fire response in Racine County since the February 2013 fire at Echo Lake Farm Produce in Burlington, WI. Aircraft firefighting equipment from Mitchell International Airport also responded to the scene to assist with fire suppression efforts utilizing foam. It was estimated that 2 million gallons of water was used from four different fill sites in the Town of Norway, Raymond, and Muskego.

Other than a couple minor reported injuries, one firefighter was transported to the hospital for heat exhaustion which was treated and then quickly released. It should be noted that no John's Disposal employees were hurt and their fleet of trucks that were parked outside the building were spared.

One notable leadership change was Adam Bucher, was promoted to Captain in June 2018.

State Certified Fire Inspectors

In May 2018, RFRD proudly announced that Captain Adams, Captain Bucher, and Captain Jones became State Certified Fire Inspectors. RFRD is currently making plans to proceed with self-performing our community fire inspections of commercial buildings. This move will allow the department to gain better information of the buildings and implementing a more comprehensive pre-plan for occupancies.

Retirement Announcement

After nearly 34 years of service to his community, Mark Hetzel has retired from the Town of Raymond Fire & Rescue Department. Mark's contributions to RFRD have been remarkable – working his way up through ranks to Chief and overseeing several projects over the years.

Mark started at the department when Aaron Rodgers was in diapers and just shortly before Mark Zuckerberg, founder of Facebook, was born. In May of 1984, our Brewers made MLB history with our neighbors to the south, Chicago White Sox, recording the longest game - 25 innings, totaling eight hours, six minutes. When we announce retirements, it's always hard for many to understand the time and commitment that he gave. Most of us on the department haven't even been in the workforce for that long.

While the department will miss the experience, we wish Mark a comfortable and productive retirement. Mark enjoys spending time at the family cabin up north, hunting, fishing, and relaxing.

Membership Update

The Town of Raymond Fire & Rescue Department membership currently stands at thirty-three firefighters and EMT's. In 2018, there were three new members, a returning "new hire" as well as a few departures. It is important for our residents to understand we are always looking for good people.

In January 2018, RFRD hosted two recruitment and awareness events during our EMS and fire training which are held on the second and third Monday, respectively. We invited the public and local medical service providers to our "Cardiac Management" training. The event proved valuable for those interested in joining RFRD and to create awareness for the public.

For those interested in learning more about our department and opportunities to become a firefighter, EMT or both, please contact us at (262) 835-1687. Feel free to join us at one of our Monday night in-service trainings or meetings which typically start at 7pm.

Many of you in the community may already be licensed EMT's and/or firefighters working on full-time departments. We encourage you to explore opportunities to work with us around your schedule. For those of you working in the medical field, such as registered nurses, physical therapists, etc., please consider the opportunity to work with us. If you have no experience but are interested in obtaining licensure and training and working with us, please contact us at (262) 835-1687.

As with most rural unstaffed fire departments, daytime personnel are in high demand. If you have daytime availability, you would be considered a valuable addition to our department. We offer paid per call wage, paid trainings, attractive education and licensure benefits.

CPR-AED Class



In 2018, the Town of Raymond Fire & Rescue Department hosted multiple American Heart Association Heartsaver public classes in our station and at local businesses. If you are interested in participating, which is a 3-hour class, call the department at (262) 835-1687 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

Burning Hours



The Town of Raymond burning hours are from 12:00pm (noon) to 7:00pm, seven days a week. You are allowed to burn organic materials such as brush, grass, leaves, and small tree branches. You must attend the fire at all times and have one means of extinguishment. All burning, this includes agricultural burns, brush fires, and recreational bonfires, are to be called into the Racine County Sheriff's Department at (262) 886-2300 AND the Town of Raymond Fire and Rescue Department at (262) 835-1687. Please provide your name, the date, time, and address of the burn.

RTF – Active Shooter Training

In 2017, RFRD completed an intensive 8-hour mandatory end-user training with the Racine County Sheriff's Department with an additional 4-

hour Command Staff training for "Active Shooter" scenarios. The 8-hour training was held at Raymond Elementary School. The training took an in-depth look at the historical data of the country's past events, how to prepare for it, the gear used, the formations, and triage and treatment of potential victims. A 4-hour sustainment training was completed in October 2018.

In 2017, RFRD made an investment into the necessary tactical gear for our First Due units to an Active Shooter incident. The gear consists of appropriate ballistic vests and helmets, and the necessary first-aid supplies to treat potential victims. While this was a significant expense, it was deemed a necessary one for our community and our neighboring communities. Racine County departments, with the guidance of the Sheriff's Department, made joint decisions on the equipment and supplies to be purchased in order to keep uniform and responsible approach. Every law enforcement and fire department in Racine County now operates with the same training and procedures, and identical interchangeable medical and ballistic equipment.

While we all dread the day of that incident, our department and personnel are better prepared to life-saving decisions and actions for our community.

Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors



Be sure to change the batteries on your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors semi-annually. A good rule of thumb is to change them when you change your clocks (daylight savings). Remember that detectors only last up to 10 years.

Wisconsin law states that all residential buildings have a working smoke and carbon monoxide detector on every floor.

Fire Safety Public Education Program



Each year the Town of Raymond Fire & Rescue Department and the Raymond Fire & Rescue

Association is proud to participate in National Fire Prevention week. According to NFPA.org, "Fire Prevention Week is on record as the longest running public health observance, according to the National Archives and Records Administration's Library Information Center."

The Raymond Fire & Rescue Association held its Annual Pancake Breakfast on the first Sunday in October, as usual, to kick off National Fire Prevention Week. The Pancake Breakfast welcomed hundreds of community members of all ages to many new offerings and a new layout.

In years past, breakfast was served in the Town Hall's main meeting room, and pancakes were prepared by a local vendor. The task of creating a true "Fire Department Pancake Breakfast" was taken on by this year's committee. The breakfast and all activities were moved to the apparatus bay floor and the pancakes were crafted by our own staff. Many new activities were available including fire extinguisher training (remember PASS), the burn house trailer, extrication demonstrations, and a kids fire-engine bounce-house! Normal for Wisconsin, Mother Nature put our staff to the test with a dismal forecast and of course, a hit or miss weather pattern for the event.

The department and Association would like to thank those of you who braved the weather and attended, and most importantly donated! Additionally, thank you to those who volunteered! The additional help from the RCBO, 4-H, and students from our local school districts was greatly appreciated. The corporate sponsorship this year was nothing short of incredible. The Association was able to offer a grand prize raffle and the 2019 RFRD calendar. For those who missed the opportunity, calendars are still available for \$10. Contact the fire department or your local RFRD member.

Overall the event was a success but some areas of improvement were identified. The committee will be addressing concerns of room temperature and long lines for second's. The Association and department look forward to next year's event, which will be held on the first Sunday in October again, October 6, 2019..

On Friday, October 12, 2018, the department hosted the annual Safety Day at the fire station. Approximately 200 students, from Raymond and North Cape Schools, ranging from 4K to 2nd grade, participated in three stations. Students were touring and learning about the department rigs and how firefighters respond. In the newly completed dayroom, students watched a 15-minute movie learning all about fire safety. Finally, in what has been hailed as the "excitement/fun" station, students took control of the nozzle and fought the fire in teams of three.

These events are only made possible through the hard work and dedication of the department's membership, and the generous and

motivating donations of sponsors and residents in the community. Gil Bachmann has led the department's involvement with Fire Prevention and organized these great events with the students in Raymond town.



School That Serve Our Community

Raymond School District
2659-76th Street, Franksville, WI
262-835-2929

SAVE THE DATE!!! MARCH 3, 2019
SPAGHETTI DINNER

A Raymond School Tradition, the annual PTO Spaghetti Dinner raises critical funds that directly benefit the students of Raymond School. In 2018, the community raised over \$35,000.00!! The event features: a Delicious Spaghetti Dinner, Live Auction, Pie Auction, 50/50 Raffle, Drop-In Raffle, Grand Raffle, Bake Sale, Kids Activities and More!!!

Yorkville School District
18621 Washington Avenue, Union Grove, WI
878-3759

Cape School District
11926 Hwy. K, Franksville, WI
835-4069

Norway-Drought School District
21016 W. 7 Mile Road, Franksville, WI
895-7778

Student in the Raymond and Yorkville School Districts attend
Union Grove Union High School
3433 S. Colony Ave. (Hwy. 45), Union Grove, WI
878-2434

Students in the North Cape & Drought School Districts attend
Waterford Union High School
507 W. Main Street, Waterford, WI
534-3189

