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## Village Shred and Recycle Day Saturday, May 13 • 9:00 a.m. until noon

On Saturday, May 13 between 9:00 a.m. and noon, Village residents can bring unwanted personal documents to the Residential Recycling Center, located at 8000 128<sup>th</sup> Street, for on-site destruction. Residents may bring as many personal documents as they can carry for shredding by Paper Tiger.



Paper Tiger provides on-site document destruction. They provide trucks with custom-built shredders that can efficiently destroy confidential paper documents and CDs.

Destroying old documents containing personal information is a simple step towards protecting yourself from fraud and identity theft. Recycling the shredded documents is also an easy way to protect the environment.

For more information about Shred and Recycle Day, please call Public Works at **262.925.6700** or email [pw@pprairie.com](mailto:pw@pprairie.com). You can also learn more about Paper Tiger by visiting <https://yourpapertiger.com>. □



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## A letter to the community from Village Administrator Michael R. Pollocoff

The past thirty-two years have been an incredible experience. During my time in Wisconsin, Pleasant Prairie has evolved from a small township with limited resources into a vibrant Village with a balance of residential neighborhoods, business development, and natural and recreational spaces. I credit the vision and direction of our Village Board members (both past and present), strong community partners in both the public and private sectors, the ability of Village Department Heads to provide quality municipal services to a changing and growing village, and residents that were willing to guide and support the changes taking place within our community.



our community were professionally rewarding and made being Administrator of Pleasant Prairie the job of a lifetime. I'd like to think that both common sense and people have been at the heart of every plan the Village has prepared and every action we've taken to grow, protect and stabilize our small corner of the world.

The Village will be left in good hands. With a Village Board that has guided our community without fear or favor and a dedicated professional staff to carry out the Board's vision, Pleasant Prairie will continue to move forward. The Village Board conducted a national search for the next Administrator and has recently been interviewing potential candidates for the position. My family will continue to live in Pleasant Prairie, and I want to continue my volunteer service with KHDS and KAC and help the Village in any way that I can.

This is why it's bittersweet to announce that as of May 31, 2017, I'll be retiring from my position as Village Administrator. It's been a true honor to serve the community alongside some really great people for the past three decades. Relationships have played a primary role in moving our community forward. I'd like to thank each member of the Village Board for the cooperative working relationship we've shared and their insightful guidance. The relationship the Board has shared with both myself and staff has been a rare gift that doesn't come along very often.

I'd also like to recognize the substantial contributions made by former Senator Joe Andrea, former Kenosha County Executive John Collins (who helped the town incorporate into a Village), and current Kenosha County Executive Jim Kreuser that allowed our community to find economic balance with the ultimate goal of long-term sustainability. Every challenge we encountered and each plan that was laid to strengthen

A community is the sum of all of the people who live and work within it along with their actions. Pleasant Prairie is a stronger, safer place because of you, the people who live and work here, and your relationship with the people elected and employed to guide, serve and protect the community. I wholeheartedly appreciate my interactions and experience with everyone over the past thirty-two years. It's been a challenging, colorful and rewarding career.



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# HARIBO Selects Pleasant Prairie as Location of First U.S. Manufacturing Facility



The Village of Pleasant Prairie is honored to confirm that German confectioner HARIBO has selected Pleasant Prairie as the future location of its first U.S. manufacturing facility. HARIBO will become the first tenant in the recently proposed Prairie Highlands Corporate Park at the northwest corner of County Highway Q and I-94. Planning for the HARIBO U.S. manufacturing facility is now underway, with the Village planning to install necessary infrastructure during 2017. HARIBO anticipates construction of the manufacturing facility to begin during 2018 with commencement of production and distribution during 2020.

Village President John Steinbrink Sr. commented, "The Village is incredibly pleased to welcome HARIBO to southeastern Wisconsin! HARIBO is a strong family company with a rich history of creating high quality confections dating back to 1920. I'm confident that HARIBO will find the regional business community to be a dynamic asset as it continues to grow by making children and adults happy with their amazing products."

HARIBO is a third generation family company based in the City of Bonn, Germany. The confectionary company is best known for its gummi candies, with its GOLD-BEARS® being the number one selling gummi-bear in America. HARIBO first opened a U.S. sales office for its products in 1982. HARIBO of America, Inc. is headquartered in Rosemont, Illinois.

Pleasant Prairie recently announced plans to purchase approximately 458 acres of land adjacent to I-94 to enable

its development as a new corporate park. The Village will allocate funds from its current Tax Incremental District (TID) #2 towards the purchase of the land. Plans to retire TID #2 by 2023 remain firm; its retirement will return nearly \$681,259,800 to the assessment roll, providing tax support to Village taxpayers and others. The Village is proposing to create a TID #5 to enable the development of the new corporate park. Current estimates place the value of TID #5 at \$307,308,400 once it has reached maturity. See page five for updates related to TID #2 and TID #5.

Village President Steinbrink added, "This site is well suited to support HARIBO's continued growth, and they're just the type of high quality employer the Village envisioned for this location. We'd like to thank them very much for selecting Pleasant Prairie and the state of Wisconsin." Steinbrink added, "The Village would also like to thank our economic development partners – Governor Scott Walker, Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, Milwaukee 7, Kenosha Area Business Alliance and Kenosha County – for their roles in bringing HARIBO to southeastern Wisconsin. Our community has a great team contributing to our region's well-being and quality of life." □

## Service Line Warranties of America

In June 2016, the Village Board authorized a three-year agreement with Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA). SLWA administers the National League of Cities Service Line Warranty Program. The program offers residential property owners a warranty that can help pay for unexpected repairs to water or sewer line laterals that connect their property to municipally owned water and sewer mains. The most common materials used in water service lines are galvanized steel, copper and PVC. Homeowners with copper or PVC water lines may not need warranty services. Those with older, galvanized steel may wish to consider warranty services. The most common materials

used in sewer service lines are clay, cast iron, and PVC. Homeowners with PVC may not need warranty services. Those with clay or cast iron may wish to consider warranty services. Homeowners can generally tell what type of water or sewer lateral they have based on the stubs in your basement where the water and sewer connect. If you have clay, cast iron, PVC, galvanized steel or copper connections in your basement, your laterals are likely made of the same material.

Residents may receive a second mailing from SLWA. A follow-up mailing was already in process and they were unable to address changes prior to its release.

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### SLWA Mailing continued from page 2...

Participation in the warranty program is strictly voluntary. The Village has granted SLWA permission to use the Village name and logo on their mailings during the three-year agreement, so that residents can distinguish the program from other private service line insurance solicitations. However, SLWA is the administrator of the program, and no public funds are used to promote it. The program has been designed for municipal governments and can help ensure that responsible contractors are working on private water or sewer service line repairs. The Village, however, cannot make a determination as to whether individual homeowners should purchase a warranty through SLWA.



The public right of way is the area 15 feet behind the curb in subdivisions and approximately five feet behind the ditch in rural areas (the amount of right of way will vary, based on the different types of road profiles throughout the Village). Homeowners are responsible for repairing any portion of the water or sewer service lines that rest inside of the private property line leading to their home. The Village is responsible for repairing any water or sewer service lines inside of the right of way, along with any other public water or sewer infrastructure.

In recent years, residents have contacted the Village regarding mailings they have received from companies selling private water line insurance. The Village had encouraged residents to research these companies and their offers through the Better Business Bureau and the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection. The Village entered the agreement with SLWA in order to help residents identify an affordable and reputable option for service line warranties and to ensure that responsible local contractors are working on the private service line repairs. More information is available at [www.slwofa.com](http://www.slwofa.com). If you need further explanation regarding the types of water or sewer lines, please contact the Building Inspection Department at **262.694.9304**. □

## Conceptual Plan Approved for the Cottages at Village Green Heights



The rendering above represents one of six model styles that have been proposed as part of the Cottages at Village Green Heights.

On Monday, March 27, the Pleasant Prairie Plan Commission considered and approved a Conceptual Plan for the development of 72 condominium units on vacant property north of Main Street at 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Doug Stanich is proposing to construct 38 single-unit condominiums and 17 two-unit condominiums. The development has been named the Cottages at Village Green Heights.

The vacant property had formerly been referred to as Village Green Heights Townhomes North. The preliminary plat for the property, approved in March of 2003, had called for the development of 100 total condominium units comprised of 50 two-unit buildings. The vacant land is adjacent to the Village Green Heights and Village Green Heights Addition #1 single family subdivisions, in which most of the lots have been developed.

The Conceptual Plan approved on March 27, 2017 is consistent with all previous approvals, with the exception of the reduction of the number of units from 100 to 72. The development will include four ranch models ranging in size from 1,460 to 1,830 square feet and two two-story, Cape Cod style models ranging in size from 1,900 to 2,200 square feet. Units are proposed to have two or three bedrooms, two or two and a half bathrooms, full basements, two-car garages, and covered porches. The site will be fully landscaped with irrigation installed.

The developer anticipates beginning construction of required public improvements during late summer of 2017. Construction of the full development is expected to be completed during 2020 or 2021. The developer will be seeking additional approvals for the project in the coming months. □

# 2017 Road Paving and Maintenance Projects Work Expected to Begin During May

During March, Village staff solicited bids for road maintenance and paving projects proposed as part of Pleasant Prairie’s 2017 budget. On Monday, April 3, the Village Board approved a contract with Payne & Dolan, Inc. in the amount of \$1,620,183.13 to complete thirteen paving projects throughout the Village.

Two-inch overlays will be completed: on River Road; on 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, north of 85<sup>th</sup> Street; on 116<sup>th</sup> Street, east of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue; and at the 93<sup>rd</sup> Street Booster Station.

Asphalt will be pulverized and re-laid: in the Pleasant Prairie portion of the Cooper Road Drainage Basin, between Cooper Road and 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue and between 80<sup>th</sup> and 85<sup>th</sup> Streets; on Bain Station Road, between Highway C and 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue (including 103<sup>rd</sup> Avenue); and in the area of Becker Park (76<sup>th</sup> Street). As part of the Becker Park paving, 48<sup>th</sup>, 49<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> Avenues will also receive a two-inch mill and overlay.



New pavement will be installed: at the Bentz Lift Station; at the Sewer D Prairie Farms Trail Head Parking Lot; and at the new equipment storage facility at the Roger Prange Center. Additional repair and restoration work will take place: inside Prairie Springs Park; on 113<sup>th</sup> Street, west of 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue; and at various additional locations throughout the Village.

Work on the 2017 paving projects is expected to begin in May and to be complete near the end of September. Schedules will be weather dependent.

The projects will be funded through Pleasant Prairie’s general fund budget and related enterprise fund budgets. The Village will also receive \$52,369 through Wisconsin’s Local Roads Improvement Program. More information regarding the 2017 paving program is available as part of the April 3 2017 Village Board e-packet at [PleasantPrairieOnline.com](http://PleasantPrairieOnline.com) under the [Boards & Commissions/Village Board/Meetings](#) tab. □

## County Hosting a Public Involvement Meeting Regarding Improvements at County Highway H and Bain Station Road

### *A message on behalf of Kenosha County...*

The Kenosha County Department of Public Works is announcing a public involvement meeting to discuss the reconstruction of the County H (88<sup>th</sup> Avenue) and Bain Station Road intersection in Pleasant Prairie. The existing 4-way stop intersection will be reconstructed as a roundabout.

The meeting is scheduled from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2017 at the Village of Pleasant Prairie Auditorium in the Village Hall building, 9915 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158.

The intent of this public involvement meeting is to present the planned improvements, to show the planned detour route and construction schedule, and receive input from interested persons. Exhibits will be on display showing the planned roundabout layout and proposed detour route around the

construction zone. These exhibits will be available for review and comment.

The public is encouraged to attend the meeting, provide input and ask questions concerning this project. Representatives from Kenosha County Department of Public Works and R. A. Smith National (project Consulting Engineer) will be available to discuss the project and answer questions. Right-of-way acquisition and temporary grading easements are required to construct the project. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in July 2017.

If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like more information, contact Caleb Manske, Consultant Senior Project Engineer, at [\(262\) 317-3332](tel:262-317-3332) or [caleb.manske@rasmithnational.com](mailto:caleb.manske@rasmithnational.com) or Ron Schildt, Senior Transportation Engineer, Kenosha County Department of Public Works, at [\(262\) 857-1870](tel:262-857-1870) or [ronald.schildt@kenoshacounty.org](mailto:ronald.schildt@kenoshacounty.org). □

# Planning to Create New Corporate Park Proceeds

## Work on TIDs #2 and #5 Moves Forward with Updated Financial Projections

During late February, the Village of Pleasant Prairie announced its intent to purchase land at the northwest corner of County Highway Q and I-94 to facilitate the creation of a future corporate park with a focus on manufacturing, office and commercial uses. On Monday, April 3, the Pleasant Prairie Plan Commission considered and approved two resolutions related to two separate Tax Incremental Districts (TIDs) that will help make the new corporate park possible.

On Monday, April 17, the Village Board considered and approved two similar resolutions with updated financial projections that will keep the project moving forward.

The Village has proposed a sixth amendment to the project plan for its existing TID #2. TID #2 Amendment #6 will: provide funds to purchase the land that will become Prairie Highlands Corporate Park; fund a portion of infrastructure improvements (roadways, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, water, grading and storm water management) within the district; and reconcile project costs to reflect actual and proposed expenditures.

The revised project expenses for the work listed in the amendment are estimated at \$54,161,071 (a decrease from the \$55,312,946 presented at the April 3 Plan Commission meeting). These project costs are expected to be offset by \$33,302,000 of land sale proceeds, so that the increased net cost as a result of TID #2 Amendment #6 is \$20,859,071. Previous plans to retire TID #2 by 2023 remain firm, and the TID will retire on schedule. Its retirement will return nearly \$681,259,800 to the assessment roll, providing tax support to Village taxpayers and others.

The Village has proposed to create a new TID #5 that will overlap with a portion of TID #2 that is located west of I-94 between County Highways C and Q. TID #5 will provide funds to complete infrastructure improvements. Anticipated project expenses for work detailed in TID #5 are now estimated at \$54,862,500 (an increase from the \$53,280,892 presented at the April 3 Plan Commission meeting). Current estimates place the value of TID #5 at \$307,308,400 once it has reached maturity. The Village is proposing to retire TID #5 during 2033.

A Joint Review Board is expected to consider the information on May 1. If approved by the Joint Review Board, the information will be forwarded to the State Department of Revenue. □

# Final Plans Approved for New Speculative Building in LakeView Corporate Park



On Monday, March 27, the Plan Commission considered and approved Final Site and Operational Plans for the construction of a 72,324 square foot speculative industrial building. The building, referred to as Zilber Industrial 1, will be constructed on approximately 4.5 acres at the northwest corner of 102<sup>nd</sup> Street and 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Preliminary Site and Operational Plans for the project had been approved during late November of 2016.

The speculative building will be constructed to accommodate a warehouse, distribution and/or manufacturing tenant. No tenants have yet been identified. Plans call for six dock locations (expandable to 13) on the north side of the building with two drive-in doors. The building will have a total of 71 parking spaces located on the south side of the building. Approximately 31% of the site will remain open, green space.

Automobile access to the site, for employees and visitors, will be available from 102<sup>nd</sup> Street and will be a shared access point with a property owner to the west. Trucks will access the site from a separate drive from 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Zilber intends to begin construction of the new speculative building this spring with completion anticipated during late fall of 2017. □

# Citizens Group to Purchase Body Cameras for Pleasant Prairie Police Officers



The Pleasant Prairie Police Department recently completed field testing of body cameras, a project the department began in July of 2016. Throughout the field testing process, Village officers wore and utilized two body camera models. The department has selected the Safariland VIEU body camera as the preferred model.

With the financial assistance of a newly formed citizens group, the Pleasant Prairie Police Officer Appreciation Association Inc., the department will purchase 31 body camera units, which is enough to supply each officer with a camera system.

As a part of the testing process, the department drafted a policy for the use of the new cameras. That policy will be available for public review once body cameras are placed in service by the department. Officers with the Pleasant Prairie Police Department would like to sincerely thank those who have made the purchase of the body cameras possible.

Archived copies of this story and other Pleasant Prairie Police Department news releases are available online at <http://pleasantprairieonline.com/services/police/news.asp>. □

# Village Officials Recently Re-Elected



Top row from left: Village President John P. Steinbrink and Trustee #1 Kristopher Keckler. Bottom row from left: Trustee #3 Dave Klimisch and Municipal Judge Richard Alan Ginkowski.

On Tuesday, April 4, 2017, John P. Steinbrink was re-elected as President of the Pleasant Prairie Village Board. On the same date, Kristopher Keckler and Dave Klimisch were elected as Trustees #1 and #3 respectively to the Village Board.

President Steinbrink and Trustees Keckler and Klimisch began their two-year terms on April 18, 2017. Contact information for all Pleasant Prairie Village Board Members is available on the back cover of your 2017 Village Calendar and Resource Directory, at Village Hall (9915 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue), or online at [PleasantPrairieOnline.com](http://PleasantPrairieOnline.com).

Also on April 4, 2017, Richard Alan Ginkowski was re-elected as Municipal Judge for the Village of Pleasant Prairie. His two-year term will begin on May 1, 2017. Contact information for Pleasant Prairie Municipal Court is available on page 3 of your 2017 Village Calendar and Resource Directory, at Village Hall (9915 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue), or online at [PleasantPrairieOnline.com](http://PleasantPrairieOnline.com). □

*Nets are up at the new tennis courts at Village Green Park (97<sup>th</sup> Street and Cooper Road) and Pleasant Prairie Park (Bain Station Road and 104<sup>th</sup> Avenue). The parks are open from sunrise until sunset.*



# 2017 USA Paratriathlon National Championships

RecPlex and Prairie Springs Park will be the host site for the 2017 USA Paratriathlon National Championships on June 25 (held in conjunction with the Pleasant Prairie Triathlon). Athletes will compete for national titles in six sport classes during 2017; they may also qualify for the USA Paratriathlon Development Team Program, designed to identify and develop athletic potential leading toward the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.



transformational presence at the Pleasant Prairie Triathlon. The athletes' bravery and their willingness to push past obstacles that many of us will never fully understand is both humbling and inspiring. We feel incredibly fortunate to host the 2017 Paratriathlon National Championships because it brings even more amazing role models to our community." The Pleasant Prairie Triathlon has welcomed paratriathletes since its inception.

"We are excited the Pleasant Prairie Triathlon will host the National Championships in 2017. They were part of our 2015 USA Paratriathlon Development Race Series and have had a long-standing relationship with the Dare2tri Paratriathlon Club; thus, they are well-educated on the needs of paratriathletes and will be poised to welcome the national championship athletes with open arms," said Amanda Duke Boulet, USA Triathlon Paratriathlon Program Senior Manager.

Craig Anderson, Recreation Director for the Village of Pleasant Prairie added, "Paratriathletes through Dare2tri have had a

"The Kenosha Area Convention & Visitors Bureau is proud to host the 2017 USA Paratriathlon National Championships with RecPlex, the Village of Pleasant Prairie, USA Triathlon and the many volunteers in our community who give athletes the opportunity to compete in a great environment," said Dennis DuChene, Kenosha Area Convention & Visitors Bureau President.

For more information on USA Paratriathlon and its grass roots, military and elite programming, visit [usaparatriathlon.org](http://usaparatriathlon.org). Those interested in volunteering can email [volunteer@plprairie.com](mailto:volunteer@plprairie.com). □

## Wisconsin Marathon Takes Place on Saturday, May 6

The Wisconsin Marathon will take place on Saturday, May 6. The race course begins and ends in the City of Kenosha, and a portion of the marathon course travels into the Village of Pleasant Prairie along the lake shore in the Carol Beach area.

For the safety of racers and those along the course, access to and in the area of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue near the lake shore will be limited to local traffic only between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Residents living along the course will have access to and from homes.

Law enforcement and/or course marshals will guide local traffic through the course as gaps in the groups of runners allow. Please plan

extra time for travel through the area during the race to allow for the greatest safety of all involved.

Sporting events, like the Wisconsin Marathon and the Pleasant Prairie and Iron Girl Triathlons, bring thousands of visitors to the community each year, bolstering our local economy through restaurant, hotel and retail spending. All are invited to the race to help welcome and to cheer the athletes on.

To learn more about the Wisconsin Marathon and opportunities to participate, or to view a course map, please visit [WisconsinMarathon.com](http://WisconsinMarathon.com). You'll also find a course map attached to the related news article at [PleasantPrairieOnline.com](http://PleasantPrairieOnline.com). □

### APPRECIATE OUR LAKES AND RIVERS? PLEASE SCOOP YOUR PET'S POOP...

Pet waste is a pollutant. When left on the grass, rain water eventually washes it into storm sewers that take it directly to our lakes and rivers.

In the lake or river, pet waste can release ammonia as it decays, which along with low oxygen levels and warm temperatures can kill fish. Pet waste also contains nutrients that encourage weed and algae growth, and it carries contaminants and diseases that can make the water unsafe for people and pets alike, such as fecal coliform.

Please be a responsible pet owner and scoop your pet's poop. Learn more at... [www.respectourwaters.org](http://www.respectourwaters.org)