



# Town of Oregon Newsletter



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## 2020 Property Tax Collection

To help slow the spread of COVID-19 & protect our staff and residents the Town is encouraging **EVERYONE** to conduct all business via telephone or email.

**There will not be in-person tax collection. (Drop-box available)**

Contact the office at 608-835-3200 with questions.

**Only checks made payable to Town of Oregon are accepted. Credit, debit, and cash NOT ACCEPTED.**

### Payment By Mail/Dropbox

- **Mail payment to:** Town of Oregon, 1138 Union Road, Oregon, WI 53575.
- In accordance with state statues, the town uses the USPS postmark to determine date of payment. Tax payments received by other couriers (FedEx, UPS, etc.) are dated when received.
- **Dropbox**– secure drop-box located at Town Hall, 1138 Union Rd.
- **Mailed Receipt**- include a self-addressed stamped business size envelope.
- **Emailed Receipt**- include your email address with the payment.

### Reminders

- Tax bills are sent to property owners. It is the responsibility of property owners to notify mortgage holders of tax amounts for payments from escrow accounts. Endorse the back of an escrow check made payable to the town and the property owner. Overpayments will be mailed to the property owner.
- You may view or print your tax bill online, at Access Dane <https://accessdane.countyofdane.com>.
- Tax bills paid in two installments. The 1st installment is due by January 31, 2021 and made payable to the Town of Oregon. The 2nd installment is due by July 31, 2021 and made payable to the Dane County Treasurer, P.O. Box 1299, Madison, WI 53716. The full payment becomes due if the 1st installment isn't paid on time.
- Please verify the correct amount to pay from “Total Amount Due for Full Payment” or “1st Payment.”

## 2021 Dog License Application

To obtain a 2021 dog license, you may either mail a check with the application or use the drop-box at Town Hall. Proof of rabies vaccination from your veterinarian is required prior to issuance of a license. **Dog license payments require a separate check from tax payments.** You must include a self-addressed stamped business size envelope for the return of dog license.

A license is required for dogs over 5 months of age.


Dog licenses are valid for one calendar year from January 1 through December 31.

Owner's Name	
Address	
Phone	Email

Name of Dog # 1	Color	Breed	Circle: F/Spayed M/Neutered F/Unspayed M/Unneutered
Vet Clinic	Rabies Expiration	Rabies Serial #	2021 License #
Name of Dog # 2	Color	Breed	Circle: F/Spayed M/Neutered F/Unspayed M/Unneutered
Vet Clinic	Rabies Expiration	Rabies Serial #	2021 License #
Name of Dog #3	Color	Breed	Circle F/Spayed M/Neutered F/Unspayed M/Unneutered
Vet Clinic	Rabies Expiration	Rabies Serial #	2021 License #

\* If you have more than three dogs or requesting a kennel license, list all information required above for each dog on a separate sheet of paper.

Fee:	# of Neutered or Spayed dogs x \$17.00	# _____ x \$17.00 =	\$ _____
	# of Unneutered/Unspayed dogs x \$22.00	# _____ x \$22.00 =	\$ _____
	Kennel License (includes up to 12 dogs, over 12 is \$16 each) x \$47.00 =		\$ _____
	Late fee (if paid after April 1, 2021) x \$5.00	# _____ x \$5.00 =	\$ _____
	Total to remit (Make checks payable to Town of Oregon)		Total \$ _____
	Check # <input type="text"/>		





## Town of Oregon Snow Removal Guidelines

The Town of Oregon road crew strives to plow and remove snow from the roads as efficiently and safely as possible.

Here are some tips to help:

**In 2017 the Town of Oregon passed a parking ordinance that prohibits parking on town roads.**

Vehicles or trailers parked on the road or road right-of-way are hazardous and interfere with snowplows.

- \* Vehicles can be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense. If you need alternative parking, contact the office at 835-3200.
- \* Snowplow drivers work long hours fighting the blowing snow, the night glare and traffic. When you meet a snowplow, give them the space they need to get their job done. It is not only a courtesy, it's the law!
- \* Walk with caution. When encountering a snowplow while walking, move to the opposite side of the road. A snowplow has a 9 foot wing that can throw snow 20 feet! When visibility is limited, avoid walking on the road.
- \* The town road right-of-way stretches 33 feet from the center of the road. The landowner may use and maintain this area as lawn, however it is very important that plants, sprinkler systems, or other items are not placed in the road right-of-way as the snowplows could damage them. The town is not responsible for the damage.
- \* **Please remove any snow pole reflective markers placed in the road right of way. They pose a significant risk to the snowplow crew as the poles can break and cause tire damage.**
- \* Pushing or blowing snow from a private driveway onto the roadway is dangerous and prohibited by law.
- \* Do not put trash and recycling receptacles in the road, instead place them in your driveway.
- \* Homeowners are responsible for clearing the snow around the mailbox. The town is not responsible for damage to a mailbox caused by the weight of ice and snow.
- \* Dane County Highway Department is responsible for snowplowing County Highways MM, CC, A & D. Any concerns should be directed to Dane County Public Works at 266-4039.
- \* If you have snowplow concerns when the office is closed, please contact Chairman Wayne Ace at 576-7281.

### Election Schedule

- Spring Primary - Tuesday, February 16th, 2021 (if necessary)
- Spring Election - Tuesday, April 6th, 2021



*The 2021 Town of Oregon Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday April 20th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.*

### Town of Oregon Recycling Center (TORC)

Open Saturdays 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Open Seasonally on Wednesdays, May 1st -Nov 1st  
from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The TORC is located at 1067 Storytown Road.

Punch cards are available at the Recycling Center and Town Hall for \$40.00. Accepted forms of payment are cash or check.

- TORC is reserved for use by Town of Oregon residents ONLY.

Proof of residency will be requested.



### Town Board Elections

#### Positions up for election:

- Town Board Chairperson
- Two Town Board Supervisors
- Constable

- ⇒ Serve Two-Year Terms.
- ⇒ Election held on Tuesday, April 6th, 2021
- ⇒ Spring Primary on Tuesday, February 16th, 2021 (if necessary)

The candidates for these positions are now selected by nomination paper method.

For more information on running for local office. See <https://elections.wi.gov/candidates/local/non-partisan>