# TOWN OF AURORA

Aurora Town Hall, W2319 State Highway 21, Berlin, WI 54923

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#### 2020 TAX LEVY REQUESTS

BERLIN SCHOOLS	922,314.80
WAUSHARA COUNTY	704,581.60
MORAINE PARK TECH	63,503.55
TOWN OF AURORA	161,757.00
STATE OF WISCONSIN	0.00
OMRO SCHOOLS	566.99
FOX VALLEY TECH	69.98
TOTAL LEVY	\$1,852,793,92

The total levy for properties in the Berlin School District breaks down as follows:

Berlin Schools	50%
Waushara County	38%
Town of Aurora	<b>9</b> %
Moraine Park Tech College	3%

### **TOWN OFFICERS**

Chairman: C. J. Young

N984 32nd Ave., Berlin

(920) 237-9919

Supervisor: Andy Przybyl

N1190 County Road XX, Berlin

(920) 979-7608

Supervisor: Jeff Toll

N105 State Road 49, Berlin

(920) 361-9075

Clerk: Katie Reinbold

W1417 Cumberland Ave., Berlin

(920) 361-0188

Treasurer: Allison McCormick

N1594 County Road X

(920) 279-4117

Regular Board Meetings are held on the Second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Visit <a href="https://www.townaurora.com">www.townaurora.com</a> for more information.

## **TOWN HALL RENTALS**

The town hall is available to town residents and non-residents for your special event. It is a perfect fit for large family parties, wedding or baby showers and small meetings. It will accommodate fifty people and has a nice kitchen for your use. Go to <a href="https://www.townaurora.com">www.townaurora.com</a> for more information.

#### RECYCLING CENTER HOURS

Wednesdays 12pm-4pm Saturdays 10am-4pm

The site is available for use by all town taxpayers and residents. It is paid for by your tax dollars. It is located behind the town hall at W2319 State Road 21.

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#### **Elections**

By: Katie Reinbold, Clerk

2020 is a big year for elections: February 18 is the Spring Primary; April 7 is for Presidential preference, WI supreme Court, County Board, and School Board; August 11 is Partisan Primary; and November 3 is President, State Legislature, and Congress. The polling place for Town of Aurora is at the Town Hall located at W2319 State Road 21. Please visit <a href="https://MyVote.wi.gov">https://MyVote.wi.gov</a> to find out if you are registered and for more information on the elections and what you need to have with you to vote. Please call me if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you at the polls!

#### **Road Report**

In 2019, the Town of Aurora's road budget was \$134,000.00. 2019 was a precipitation (rain, snow, ice, etc.) nightmare. The Town spent roughly \$50,000.00 on snow removal, salt, and sand spreading. When it warmed up and all the snow and ice melted in a 24 -hour period, the culverts and road ditches could not handle that large volume of water. The harsh weather conditions and fast melting caused damage, therefore, drainage repair work needed to be done on Sunset Lane and Exchange Street. The Township also replaced five culverts throughout the Township. The Township also did some tree work in Auroraville and at the intersection of County RD X and Cumberland Ave. The Township seal coated Stonehedge Rd and 33<sup>rd</sup> Lane. The Township bought a tractor and mower for mowing the roadsides. This investment should yield a four-year rate of return. Let's hope this winter is milder and easier on our road budget.

#### Chairman's Report

I would like to thank everyone for working with the Town's Assessor, Troy Zacharias, during the town reassessment process. The Town's property valuation increased. However, the increase caused the mill rate to decrease or go down.

Soon you will receive in your mailbox the 2020 census. I urge you to please take the time to fill it out and mail it back. The census is a tool the State government uses to determine how to allocate money to counties and the townships. Thank you in advance for taking the time to fill it out.

In approximately five years, the Township will be aiding the Berlin Fire Department in purchasing another fire truck. Our Township's portion is \$85,000.00. The Township has \$51,000.00 set aside so far for this expenditure. With the foresight in planning our budget, we will be able to meet our obligation easier.

The Township will receive \$25,000.00 in grant money to resurface Czech Ave and a portion of 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave. We have also applied for two other grants. These grants are for road improvement projects, these state grants would pay 80% of the total cost of the projects, however, they have stipulations to them. These projects must help economic growth. The grants are a long shot; however, we are hopeful we will receive some assistance in resurfacing a few more roads should we receive the grant monies. To completely resurface a road, which includes, grinding old surface, new hot mix and shoulders could cost as much as \$150,000.00. Our road budget is \$130,000.00 to \$140,000.000. The grant money would be beneficial to our Township's goal of road improvement, while keeping our budget under control.

Thank you for your support and pride in our Township. If you have any question or concerns please feel free to email me at <a href="mailto:aurorachairman@gmail.com">aurorachairman@gmail.com</a>.

C.J. Young, Chairman