

WEXFORD WATCH

WEXFORD VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Annual Meeting Recap

The annual Wexford Village Homeowners' Association meeting was Wednesday, December 4, with 30-40 individuals in attendance. Speakers included George Dreckmann, City of Madison recycling manager, and Mark Clear, Alder District 19.

Mr. Dreckmann spoke on the expanded recycling program. The City has also begun a pilot compost project. Wexford Village is not in the pilot area, but you can learn more at: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/compost/organics.cfm>.

Alder Clear spoke on the City of Madison closing the South Point Yard Waste site due to budget cuts. Residents now have to

take yard waste to the Badger Rd or Sycamore Ave drop-off sites. The South Point site will not re-open in the spring. Residents can contact Mayor Soglin with comments: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/contact/mayor.cfm>.

Alder Clear also talked about the landscape maintenance of the traffic circle near Wexford Park and announced that a storage shed has been budgeted for the park.

Finally, Alder Clear spoke about the intended resurfacing of Longmeadow Rd in 2013 and the possibility of a traffic calming structure on this road. Alder Mark Clear is seeking input from residents on these topics. Comments/questions can be e-mailed to: disitric19@cityofmadison.com.

Expanded Recycling Program

The City of Madison is adding new materials to the curbside recycling program. Starting now, you can put the following items in your green recycling bin:

- Plastic bags (Grocery and retail bags, produce bags, newspaper bags. No dark green or black bags.)
- Plastic dairy tubs and deli containers and their lids
- Other plastic containers numbered 1-7
- Number 1 plastic clamshell and berry containers

- Empty steel paint cans and lids
- Metal pots and pans
- Small metal appliances (toaster, blenders, etc.)
- Small metal plumbing fixture and pipes (faucets, valves, pipes 18" long or less)

Send any questions to George Dreckmann at gdreckmann@cityofmadison.com

Check the City web site for more information: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/recycling/guidelines.cfm>.

The 2013 Wexford Board of Directors will include the following members:

Tom Aquino
 Dick Ihlenfeld
 Paul Krupski
 Marni McEntee
 Matt Nelson
 Darrin Pope
 Jim Rather
 Ken Schmidt
 Paul Stang
 Jim Rather

Resigning members include:

Darrell Fleming
 Dick Hilsenhoff
 Don Michalski

The Board will determine officers and board assignments for 2013 at the Board of Directors meeting on January 8th.

Annual Dues

This newsletter accompanies your annual dues statement.

Web Site

Visit our web site at www.wexfordvillage.com.

The Wexford Watch is now online. We will only publish one paper edition at the end of each year. To receive the electronic editions published throughout the year, update your e-mail address on our web site <http://www.wexfordvillage.org/associationUpdate.htm> or send your e-mail address to Trish Watts at pwatts@tds.net.

Skating Rink

The City of Madison voted to continue funding the ice rink in Wexford Park. A berm was added this summer, which should help keep the rink flooded. Volunteers are needed to clear the rink after snow falls. Thanks to Jerry Watt who has plowed the rink the past few years.

Check the City web site to see when the rink is open: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/parks/facilities/iceRinks.cfm>.

Lussier Volunteers

The Lussier Community Education Center is looking for volunteers to help with their food pantry and community dinners. Check out their web site for more information: <http://www.lcecmadison.org/index.php>

Wexford Park

The Wexford Village Park fund is funded by the generous yearly donations of Wexford residents. This past year, much of the funds were used to buy flowers and other plantings for Wexford Park. Funds were also used to hire student help for various projects, such as mulching paths, building berms along the ice rink, and general maintenance of the flower gardens.

Neighbor Events

As always, Wexford Village will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt, Garage Sale, and Fourth of July parade in 2013. Watch for the dates of these events in upcoming newsletters.

Attendance at these events was up in 2012, and we're always excited to see new faces.

Alicia Ashman Library Events

Looking for some fun indoor activities this winter? Check out the free events and classes at the Alicia Ashman Library: <http://www.madisonpubliclibrary.org/alicia-ashman>

Peeping Tom in Neighborhood

A tall man wearing dark clothing has been seen peeping into windows and sitting on decks in the Sawmill and S. Woodmont area. He has been seen by multiple people since the last week in November and into December. He also rings doorbells and runs away if someone answers the door. Police believe he is "casing" houses to see if people are home. He has also been seen entering unlocked garages and rifling through unlocked cars. Two police reports have been filed. Police respond-

ing to the latest incident gave chase but lost him.

Make sure to lock cars and close garage doors. It is also wise to share travel plans with neighbors so they can keep an eye on your property when you're gone.

If you see this kind of activity, please contact the Madison Police immediately, and file an incident report with the Association (<http://www.wexfordvillage.org/associationIncidents.htm>).

Annual Budget

The major expense for Wexford Village is the maintenance for the approximately thirteen acres of greenway and 30,000 linear feet of bike paths. Over 90% of our 2012 budget was spent throughout the year on the greenways and other related expenses, including the light and storm sewer assessment.

Expenses were significantly less in 2012 than expected (predicted was \$62,257). This was due to maintenance costs being less than planned. This means we have a significant balance in the general fund, which will be kept as a contingency fund for future unexpected expenses relating to major repairs of the bike paths and lights.

Expenses-Winter 2012	Cost
Snow removal (predicted was \$5000)	\$1538
Light repairs (predicted was \$6000)	\$1037
Walking path repairs (predicted was \$7000)	\$0
2012 total expenses (as of December 4th)	\$45,119
Fund Balances	
Lot 400 (Wexford Prairie)	\$15,000
Wexford Village Park	\$1,610
General	\$40,822

IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU'D LIKE MENTIONED IN THE WATCH, E-MAIL THE INFORMATION TO WEXFORDWATCH@YAHOO.COM

Circle Islands

A major focus for landscaping in 2013 will be the grooming and maintenance of the 37 circle islands within Wexford Village. Many of these islands have been simplified over the years to allow for minimum maintenance. Residents are

encouraged to adopt their circle island and maintain the plantings to minimize Wexford Village's community expenses.

Thanks to the many residents who already maintain islands.