Recycling Guide

Pellitteri Waste Systems

Accepted Paper Products

Empty cardboard, catalogs, magazines, phone books, empty food boxes, paper, envelopes, junk mail, wrapping paper (no foils), newspapers, paper cups (no plastic lids or straws), paper egg cartons, paper grocery bags, paper milk and juice cartons, pizza boxes (no food or grease), shredded paper (place in a clear or transparent plastic bag and tie shut, bag no larger than a basketball).

Accepted Plastic & Glass Products

All plastic bottles besides motor oil or gasoline bottles, #1-7 plastic items (including #1 clamshell), glass bottles and jars (clear, blue, brown, or green translucent glass).

Accepted Metal Products

Empty aerosol cans, aluminum cans or plates, metal pots and pans, metal appliances and plumbing fixtures/ faucets (nothing larger than a basketball), and tin and steel cans.

Non-Recyclable Items

Batteries or propane tanks (FIRE HAZARD! Check call2recycle.org), brake rotors or drums, construction waste, electronics, frozen food or microwave dinner plates, glassware and ceramics, metal items larger than a basketball or heavier than 10lbs, mirrors, windows, motor oil and gasoline containers, plastic film or wrap, styrofoam, recyclable containers containing liquids or food, carpet, clothing, diapers, fishing line, food, hoses, ropes, and shoes.

Recycling Tips

- Stop "wishcycling" and download the Pellitteri Waste Systems Mobile App to use the Recycle Right search to dispose of specific items properly.
- Additional recyclables outside of recycling carts must be prepaid for and prescheduled for pick-up. Contact Pellitteri a minimum one day prior to your normal service day. Additional recyclables must be in clear plastic bag (s) next to the recycling cart, no larger

than 32 gal., and no heavier than 50 lbs. Cut down cardboard to fit in bags, do NOT bundle or place in a bigger box.

- Only flatten/crush cardboard boxes, NO plastic or metal items.
- Don't place smaller items inside larger ones. Items should be loose and empty.
- Remove all food waste, plastic, Styrofoam, and packing peanuts. Containers containing food or liquids, construction waste, or electronics CANNOT be recycled.
- Recycling carts will not be picked up if it contains trash, yard waste, prohibited items, or if overloaded.
- In a week containing certain observed Holidays, pick up is delayed by one day. Check with Pellitteri for a schedule.
- For additional pick-up volume or for questions, contact info@pellitteri.com or call (608) 257-4285.

Electronic Recycling

TVs, laptops, cellphones, and other electronics contain valuable materials that can be recovered through recycling. Electronics also contain hazardous materials which can harm human health and pollute the environment if not properly managed. Wisconsin has a electronics recycling law which prohibits the following electronics from being put in the trash or sent to Wisconsin landfills and incinerators:

TVs, computers, printers, scanners, fax machines, monitors, computer accessories such as keyboards, mice, speakers, external hard drives, flash drives, e-readers, VCRs/DVD players, and cellphones.

These electronics can be recycled at various locations across the state. For a list of collection sites, visit dnr.wi.gov and search "ecycle".

Some collectors may charge fees and may not accept all devices. Contact collectors beforehand to learn about their policies. Please direct additional questions to Wisconsin DNR ECycle at (608) 264-6001.

Town Transfer Site

Open to Town residents only. Located at 4030 County Road B, 1/4 mile east of the Town Hall. Open monthly on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays from 8 AM to 4 PM, exceptions may be on Holidays or Holiday weekends. April through the end of November, the Transfer Site is also open Wednesdays from 2 PM to 4:45 PM.

Accepted Items

Brush and wood free of soil, leaves and grass clippings, any compostable material, holiday trees without tinsel, decorations, or stands, antifreeze that is free of oil, motor oil that is free of other liquids, automotive type and rechargeable batteries, all appliances (except water softeners and dishwashers), scrap metal, and motors free of gas and oil.

Tires are also accepted for a fee. Fees are based on our costs for disposal. At the time of this publication, auto tires without rims are \$5 and \$10 for tires with rims. Fees for semi-truck tires are \$10 and tractor tires are \$25.

Non-Accepted Items

Construction materials, dishwashers, electronics, furniture, mattresses, household batteries, lumber, shingles, stumps, TVs, and water softeners.

Dane County Clean Sweep

7102 US Hwy 12, Madison, WI 53718.

Dane County Clean Sweep offers a place to bring hazardous household materials and electronics. For a list of acceptable items, visit danecountycleansweep.com. Fees apply. Prior to delivering items or for current hours, contact Clean Sweep at (608) 838-3212.

Medication Drop Off

Protect our water resources! Do not flush medications down the drain. Drop off unwanted or expired medication at local police departments:

McFarland: (608) 838-315 Oregon: (608) 835-3111 Stoughton: (608) 873-3374



New Resident Info

www.townofdunnwi.gov

(608) 838-1081 4156 County Road B, McFarland WI 53558

Welcome to the Town of Dunn

Dunn is a community of around 4,800 people and is surrounded by Fitchburg, Stoughton, McFarland, the Village and Town of Oregon, Blooming Grove, Pleasant Springs, and Rutland.

Throughout the Town, you'll find the shores of Lake Kegonsa, Lake Waubesa, Mud Lake, and the Yahara River. You'll also discover that Dunn embodies the perfect blend of small-town charm and modern nearby conveniences. Residents also enjoy abundant open spaces, parks, and farm fields, due to land preservation being one of the cornerstones of our comprehensive land use plan and our Purchase of Development Rights program (PDR). Our proven history speaks for itself with having reached 4,000 acres of preserved land.

As you settle into Town, we hope you find this New Resident Info helpful. If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact us. Contact Information is listed on page 2.



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Town Recreational Opportunities



Photo of Goodland County Park by Kelsey Shepperd.



Photo of Lake Waubesa by Kelsey Shepperd.

Parks

Q: Where can I find information about Town parks?

A: Several parks and open spaces exist throughout the Town which include conservancy lands, minimally developed Town parks, County parks, and several lake access and boat launch sites. Town owned and maintained parks are rustic, meaning there's no park shelters, water, restrooms, or garbage cans. Dogs must be leashed and waste must be picked up and properly disposed of. Please note, all Town PDR properties are not open to the public. Visit www.townofdunnwi.gov/parks for more information.

Public Boat Launches

Q: How can I access Lake Kegonsa?

- Admundson Landing -3302 Quam Dr.
- Fish Camp County Park -3359 County Rd.
- Town of Pleasant Springs Boat Launch - 2267 Williams Point Dr.

Q: How can I access Lake Waubesa?

- Babcock County Park Boat Launch -2909 US Hwy 51
- Dunn Heritage Park (nonmotorized only) - 2665 Tower Rd.
- Goodland County Park -2862 Waubesa Ave
- Lake Farm Park Boat Launch -4286 Libby Rd.

For assistance or questions regarding:	Contact the following:
General information, cemetery, court, citations, dog licenses, and road permits.	Andrea Zacharias (608) 838-1081, ext. 1 azacharias@townofdunnwi.gov
Accounts payable and receivable, voting, taxes, and special assessments.	Mary Liebig (608) 838-1081, ext. 4 mliebig@townofdunnwi.gov
Building, wrecking, and driveway permits, building inspections, and leaf collection.	Kelsey Shepperd (608) 838-1081. ext. 2 kshepperd@townofdunnwi.gov
Public works, town road maintenance, urban forestry, and transfer site.	Hardy Krueger (608) 838-1081, ext. 7 hkrueger@townofdunnwi.gov
PDR program, rezones, land divisions, planning, conservation, and parks.	Ben Kollenbroich (608) 838-1081, ext. 3 bkollenbroich@townofdunnwi.gov
Town Board business, elections, contracts, and emergency response.	Cathy Hasslinger (608) 838-1081, ext. 5 chasslinger@townofdunnwi.gov
	Other Contacts:
Property assessments and Open Book.	Associated Appraisal Consultants 1-800-721-4157 info@apraz.com
Land and Water Resources, lake management, and erosion.	Dane County Land & Water Resources (608) 224-3730 Iwrd@countyofdane.com
Property deed information, property owner name changes, or vital records.	Dane County Register of Deeds (608) 267-8814 chlebowski@countyofdane.com
Property tax payments or property billing address changes.	Dane County Treasurer (608) 266-4151 treasurer@countyofdane.com
	Dane County Zoning
Zoning.	(608) 266-4266 plandev@countyofdane.com
Zoning. Environmental health, well testing, PFAS, septic systems, and public health services.	

info@pellitteri.com

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Sign up for Notifications

- 1. Follow us on Facebook: facebook.com/townofdunndanecountywi
- 2. Sign up for meeting notifications or view upcoming or past meetings: dunn.civicweb.net.
- 3. Visit the 'Announcements' tab on the Town's website: www.townofdunnwi.gov.
- 4. To set weekly trash or recycling reminders, receive real-time updates for service delays, and see your collection schedule, download the Pellitteri Waste Systems mobile app from your app store or *pellitteri.com/recycleright*.
- 5. Signup for Rave Alert, Dane County emergency notifications about public safety emergencies in your community, such as armed persons/active shooters, hazardous materials incidents, gas leaks, and more. Only areas deemed at risk will receive notifications. You will be notified if your address falls within the affected area. Visit em.countyofdane.com/emergency-alerts to sign-up.

Join Lake Waubesa Conservation Association (LWCA)

LWCA is a non-profit lake organization whose primary mission is to promote the preservation, protection and enhancement of the Lake Waubesa ecosystem for all. To learn more or to become a member, visit www.waubesa.org.

Join Friends of Lake Kegonsa (FOLKS)

FOLKS is a non-profit lake organization whose primary objectives are to protect, maintain, and enhance environmental and recreational values at Lake Kegonsa and its surroundings. To learn more or become a member, visit www.kegonsa.org.

Purchase of Development Rights Program (PDR)

Q: What is the PDR program and what is it's purpose?

A: The Town's PDR program is a voluntary farmland protection method that compensates landowners for inhibiting future development on their land. Through PDR, "development rights" (potential residential development) are permanently eliminated through a conservation easement. The Town completed the first PDR transaction in the State of Wisconsin in 1997. Since then, the Town has conserved around 4,000 acres. A conservation easement ensures the future

availability of farmland, supports the local agricultural economy, and results in lower Town operational costs. While it's true residential development generates more tax revenue compared to farmland or open space, it also costs more to provide public services (police and fire protection and public works) to residential areas. By preserving farmland and open space, the program helps keep costly public services in check.

Miscellaneous

Elections & Voting

Q: How do I find info about voting?

A: Visit *Myvotewi.gov* for information about voting, registration, participation, to view

election dates, request an absentee ballot to be mailed to you, register or change your address, view what is on the ballot, find where to vote, and to track your absentee ballot's status. Still have questions? Contact the Town.



Photo of the Town Hall by Andrea Zacharias.

Leaf Management

Q: Why should I manage leaves?

A: When rain falls on leaves, it creates "leaf tea" which contains nutrients which contribute to toxic algae blooms, murky water, and weeds in lakes. These nutrients settle to lake bottoms and feed algae blooms for years. You can protect our waters and reduce nutrients from entering our waterways by managing leaves and yard waste.

Q: What are my options for disposing of leaves?

A: The Town's Transfer Site (see page 8 for more info) is open year round for leaf and yard waste drop-off. In the fall, several additional leaf collection sites are also available for Town residents (no contractors). Weather permitting, the sites are available around mid-October through the end of November. Sites will be removed earlier if significant snow is forecasted.

Q: What can I bring to the <u>leaf</u> collection sites?

A: Sites are for leaves and grass clippings <u>only</u>. Non-leaf material will damage the leaf vacuum equipment. NO brush, twigs, garden waste, potted plants, seaweed,

stones, rocks, animal waste, ornamental grasses, or any other non-leaf material. Only place leaves in the orange containment areas and empty and remove all bags. A list of locations, maps, and site open and close dates will be posted at www.townofdunnwi.gov/leaf-management.

Photo by Hardy Krueger

Q: Can I burn instead?

A: No, please refrain from burning leaves, grass clippings, yard waste, and other wet materials which tend to result in smoldering and nuisance fires.

Nuisance fires are a violation of the Town's Burning Ordinance. Smoldering fires may cause a hardship for neighbors with asthma or other breathing concerns. Burning is also a source of air pollution and ashes from burned leaves are a source of highly concentrated phosphorus. Stormwater runoff can carry the ashes and the phosphorus into lakes and streams. Disposing of ashes from a fire before it rains can help to minimize this impact. For the Town's full burning Ordinance, visit www.townofdunnwi.gov/ordinances.

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Building Permits

Q: When do I need to obtain a building permit?

A: Building permits are required for new construction, additions and/or alterations to existing structures, electrical service upgrades, re-roofing (including tear off or overlays), siding replacement, the demolition of or moving of structures, etc. This is not a complete list. Unsure if a permit is needed? Contact the Town.

Q: Are certain projects exempt from needing a building permit?

A: The following projects do NOT require permits to be obtained: door or window replacements that are of the same size and located within the same location, AC/ furnace/water heater/or water softener replacements, roofing or siding repairs consisting of 49% or less of a structure's total roof or siding, normal repairs to HVAC, plumbing, or electrical (switches, receptacles, or fixtures). Unsure? Contact the Town.

Q: How do I obtain a building permit?

A: First contact Dane County Zoning to obtain any necessary county permits. Then visit the Town's website for a permit application. Submit the application, detailed project description, blueprints, site plan, and copies of any issued Dane County permits to the Town.

Q: How long are building permits valid?

A: Building permits are valid for two years from the date of issuance. Commercial electrical permits are valid for 1 year from the date of issuance.

Driveway Permits

Q: When do I need to obtain a driveway permit?

A: A driveway access permit is required to locate, establish, construct, refinish, or substantially reconstruct a driveway, road, or other access, to a property from a town highway or to a private road within the Town. A driveway access permit is also required when a house is to be torn down and rebuilt. Driveway Ordinance, 13-2, specifies driveway construction requirements. To view the full Ordinance, visit the Town's website.

Q: How do I obtain a driveway permit?

A: Visit the Town's website to retrieve a permit application. Then submit the application, site plan, and copies of any Dane County permits to the Town.

Access to properties located on a County Highway is overseen by Dane County Highway and Transportation. For information regarding access, contact Dane County.

Access to properties located on a State Highway is overseen by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT). For information regarding access, contact the DOT.

Dog Licenses

Q: Do I need to license my dog?

A: All dogs over 5 months must be annually licensed by March 31st to avoid a \$5.00 late fee. The fee for a puppy or neutered/spayed dog is \$20.00. The fee for a unneutered/un-spayed dog is \$25.00. No late fees for licensing a new dog for the first time.

Q: How do I obtain a dog license?

A: Obtain an application from the Town's website and return the completed form to the Town. If mailing or using the drop box, include payment, a self-addressed envelope with postage, and a current rabies vaccination expiration date. The license will be mailed in the self -addressed and stamped envelope you provided.



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Property Information



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Zoning and Land Use

Q: How does the Town make land use decisions?

A: The Town's Comprehensive Plan (www.townofdunnwi.gov/ comprehensive-plan) outlines the Town's land use management strategy to ensure growth and development decisions are consistent with the Community's desired character and vision for the future. The Plan acts as a guide for the Town Board, landowners, the Plan Commission, residents, developers, neighboring communities, and others.

Q: What is my zoning district?

A: Your property's zoning district can be found by visiting AccessDane

(accessdane.countyofdane.com) and searching your parcel. Zoning districts are listed on the bottom left-hand side of the page.

Q: Who should I contact regarding my zoning questions?

A: Zoning is administered by Dane County Zoning. Contact their office with questions regarding property zoning, setbacks, permitted activities, etc. at: (608) 266-4266 or plandev@countyofdane.com.

Q: Are there special zoning restrictions if I live on the lake/ river?

A: Yes, lands within 300 feet of a river or stream, or 1,000 feet of a lake or pond are determined to be within the shoreland zoning district and are subject to special regulations intended to protect environmentally sensitive areas. In many cases a shoreland zoning permit is required for any construction or development occurring within the shoreland, floodplain, or a wetland. Contact Zoning for details. Additional permits may also be required from Dane County Land and Water Resources.

Q: Does the Town have regulations on fences?

A: Fences, including invisible pet fencing, must be placed on your own property and outside of the road right-of-way (typically 33-feet from the center of town roads). If there are easements, check with the easement holder to verify a fence is allowed. Fences are not allowed in platted drainageways. Check with Dane County Zoning since they regulate fencing within special zoning districts.



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Property Assessments & Taxes

Q: Who do I contact regarding my property assessment?

A: The Town contracts with Associated Appraisal Consultants Inc, for assessment services. Contact the Assessor at info@apraz.com or 1-800-721-4157.

Q: How do I get a copy of my tax bill and tax payment receipts?

A: Visit AccessDane (accessdane.countyofdane.com) for a copy of your property tax bill, tax receipt or property tax payment history, to check your mailing address, view your property assessment, property zoning, etc.

Q: How do I update my billing address?

A: When a property is bought or sold, the Register of Deeds should automatically update the ownership name and billing address.

If necessary, the Town can update the billing address (name changes must be completed by the Dane County Register of Deeds). If you need to change your billing address, email the following information to townhall@townofdunnwi.gov: Your name and contact information (including phone number), the old billing address, the new billing address, and the affected parcel number(s).

Trash and Recycling

Q: Who provides trash & recycling?

A: The Town is served by Pellitteri Waste Systems for garbage and recycling services. Depending on your location, trash pick-up is on Thursdays OR Fridays. Recycling is every other week on the same day. In a week containing a holiday, service is delayed by one day. Visit Pellitteri's website for a collection schedule.

Q: Where do carts go?

A: Place carts at least four feet from each other and other obstructions, in your driveway apron, NOT in the road. This is especially important during winter to help with plowing efforts and to prevent tipped over carts.

Q: Is there an alert system regarding trash or recycling collection?

A: Yes, download Pellitteri's mobile app from your app store or pellitteri.com/recycleright. You can set weekly reminders, receive realtime updates for delays, see your collection schedule, and use the "Recycle Right" search tool to dispose of specific items properly.

Q: Where can I dispose of extra trash or bulk items?

A: Extra pick-up occurs bi-annually, typically once in June and October. Check with Pellitteri for dates and acceptable items. Items must be curbside by THURSDAY 6 AM regardless of your normal service day. Only one trip will be made through the Town. The event will

continue on Friday if Pellitteri is unable to finish on Thursday.

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A: Additional recyclables outside of recycling carts must be prepaid for and prescheduled for pick-up. Contact Pellitteri a minimum one day prior to your normal service day. Additional recyclables must be in clear plastic bag(s) next to the recycling cart, no larger than 32 gal., and no heavier than 50 lbs. Cut down cardboard to fit in bags, do NOT bundle or place in a bigger box. Improperly prepared recyclables will not be picked up.

Q: Is there disability assistance with getting my carts to the road?

A: Subject to medical necessity and driver safety, Pellitteri may be able to offer assistance to residents who are unable to get their carts to the curb. Contact Pellitteri for details.

Electricity

Q: Who provides electricity?

A: Depending on your location, Dunn residents are served by Alliant Energy, Madison Gas & Electric, and Stoughton Utilities for electricity

Sanitary

Q: Who provides sanitary services?

A: The Town has four sanitary districts that provide public sanitary waste removal. Waste disposal for homes not connected to public sanitary are managed by private septic systems. Remember, to avoid costly damage to public sewers or private septic systems: toilets aren't trash cans! Stick to flushing only human waste and toilet paper. Any other items can lead to clogged laterals, pumps, overflows, equipment failures, staff injuries, and elevated bills.

Water

Q: Who provides water?

A: All homes in Dunn receive their water from a well. When your property is on a well, you are your own water utility manager. It is recommended to test your well annually or sooner if there has been flooding in the area or if there are changes in taste, odor, or appearance. Contact Madison and Dane County Public Health for info.

Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

Q: Who provides firefighting and

A: Depending on your location, Dunn residents are served by either Oregon Fire Department, McFarland Fire and Rescue, or Stoughton Fire Department. Visit the Town's website for a map depicting district locations.

Law Enforcement

Q: Who provides law enforcement?

A: The Town contracts with the Dane County Sheriff's Department for law enforcement services. In the event of an emergency, dial 911. If you feel a non-emergency law enforcement issue has or is occurring, call the Dane County nonemergency number as soon as possible: (608) 255-2345.

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Q: What's the Town's winter plowing protocol?

Winter Maintenance

A: The Town maintains approximately 64 road miles. Plowing is prioritized by traffic volume and logical routing including major routes which

provide emergency access for fire, police and medical services. The Town's snow removal capacity involves three vehicles, three routes, and three operators. For major events, removal operations involve at least two rounds of plowing on major roads, followed by widening. Each round takes each plow driver approximately five hours to complete. It can take over 48 hours to plow all roads.

Q: Why does the Town plow so far into the road shoulder?

A: This is done to create storage room for future snowfalls and facilitate frost penetration along the road edge. Deep frost along the shoulders is essential for supporting the roadbed, reducing road edge failure, and prolonging road life. Despite our best efforts to avoid it, some digging into the road shoulders is inevitable.

Q: Where should I place my garbage or recycling carts during a winter event?

A: To help with plowing efforts and prevent tipped over carts, place carts in your driveway apron, NOT in the road and not on top of snowbanks. Make sure no part of the carts are on the road. This can be a safety hazard and makes it difficult for garbage trucks and snowplows to perform their jobs. Keep carts at least four feet away from each other and away from any other obstructions.

Mailbox Policy

Q: Why does the Town have a Mailbox Policy?

A: In order to minimize traffic hazards, improve mail carrier safety, and facilitate road right-of-way maintenance, mailboxes must be installed or repaired in accordance with the Town's Mailbox Policy. To prevent injury to the public, mailboxes must be built to break away if struck and should not be reinforced.

Road Right-of-Ways (RROW)

Q: What is a Road Right-of-Way?

A: Town roads are located on land referred to as RROW, which is the area for traffic lanes, shoulders, ditches, pedestrian traffic, and public utility purposes.

Encroachments to the RROW may pose potential safety

hazards. These include, but are not limited to: structures, vehicles, trailers, landscaping, fences, berms, rocks/stones/ boulders, trees/plantings, signs, etc. Property owners with encroachments on the Town's RROWs should remove them to avoid liability for injuries caused by striking them. Mailboxes are allowable encroachments if installed in accordance with the Town's Mailbox Policy. Before a Town RROW, contact the Town Hall.



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proceeding with any activity along

Road Maintenance

Q: Who should I contact regarding road maintenance?

A: The Town is responsible for maintaining Town roads and oversees Town constructions projects. Construction on County Highways is overseen by Dane County Highway and Transportation. Construction projects on a State Highway is overseen by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT).

Q: I have questions regarding the upcoming US Highway 51 Construction (2024 to 2027). Who should I contact?

A: Reconstruction work will place on Highway 51 between Stoughton and McFarland. Medians will be added, roundabouts will be installed at certain intersections, and parts of the road will be closed to thru traffic. In the end, the project will improve safety along this approximately 5.6 mile section. This project is being overseen by the WisDOT. For more information or questions about the project, or to learn of future public meetings, visit wisconsindot.gov and search "US 51" or contact Kevin Drunasky, WisDOT, at kevin.drunasky@dot.wi.gov.