



# LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

**Featured Business:**  
Linden Gallery Door County  
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www.lindensgallery.com

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Door County website [www.co.door.wi.gov](http://www.co.door.wi.gov) has a link on the left hand side to do a job search for all of Door County. Search and apply for positions 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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- Apply from any location with internet access. Live help from Human Resources during business hours, online help 24/7.
  - Apply for multiple and new jobs without re-entering application information.
  - Receive a notice when a position you are interested in becomes available.
  - Check the status of your application at your convenience.

If you don't have an email address there is a link on the website to help you

**Important Dates**  
November 16 – Board Mtg – 7pm  
November 23 – Plan Commission – 7pm  
November 24 – Thanksgiving  
**Town Hall closed Nov. 24 and 25**  
December 7 – Pearl Harbor Day  
December 7 – Board Mtg. – 7pm



**FROM NWTC:**  
**Dean Stewart** from **NWTC** will be giving an informational talk at the **Clearing** November 17 at 6:30 pm. sponsored by the **Ellison Bay Service Club**  
All are welcome



**Notes from your Administrator**  
Newport lane is almost finished being rebuilt. They are working on locations of signage. The paper shredding and recycling event in September was lightly attended.

**Notes from your Town Board**  
Some more invasive species of noxious weeds have been added to the list for Liberty Grove according to the Dept. of Soil and Water. Ordinance 7-16 relating to Invasive Species and Noxious weeds was approved at the Oct. 5, 2016 board meeting.

Ord. #6-16 was approved amending Ord. #1-16 regulating activities in town parks. You can read the entire ordinance in the Oct. 5 minutes on the town website: [www.libertygrove.org](http://www.libertygrove.org)

At the October 18 Budget hearing, the overall budget for 2017 was approved.  
The Town tax levy will be 2,172,556.00.

### From the Front Lines:

If you know someone who is living with **Macular Degeneration**, there is a state agency that can help.

**State of Wisconsin-Dept. of Health  
Office for the Blind & Visually  
Impaired  
888-879-0017**

This group does many things to help the visually impaired function better in their own home. For instance (among many other things):

- They will set up a **home visit** to give advice on improvements in safety and ease of motion.
- An account can be set up to order **audiobooks** from the Library of Congress free of charge, including postage.

Please call the agency to get more info on what they can do.

### FALL/WINTER/SPRING HOURS

### Sister Bay Library

Oct 26, 2015 – MAY 28, 2016

Monday 10:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Tuesday 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
Wednesday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Friday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

You can catch more of their news on:

[doorcountylibrary.org](http://doorcountylibrary.org)

Then click on the

[Sister Bay Liberty Grove](#)

link in the menu on the right.

### Notes from your Town Committees

**Plan Commission** – Chairman Nancy Goss

Continuing to work on the Comprehensive plan

**Parks and Property** – Chairman Gary Farber

Recommending that the Town work with the County to get Ellison Bluff Park plowed out in the winter.

The committee has discussed whether to remove the chains at the Community Center Park. They will leave it as is for now and consider a nicer looking gate for the future.

**Economic Development** – Chairman John Lowry

Considering a 5 year plan for the town.

**Highway** – Chairman Mike Walker

There is a 5 year approved plan in place for maintenance and paving of roads in the town. Each year the budget will determine how much maintenance done.

**Personnel**-The entire Town Board and personnel compensation and benefits for 2017 were discussed for the 2017 budget.

Complete agendas and minutes can be found on the town website

[www.libertygrove.org](http://www.libertygrove.org)

Comments and questions can be emailed to:

[tlibertygrove@dcwis.com](mailto:tlibertygrove@dcwis.com)

Messages for your Town Supervisors can be left at the Town Hall by calling **920-854-2934**

Letters can be written to the Town Board, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer or Supervisors at:

**11161 Old Stage Road  
Sister Bay, WI 54234**

### Ellison Bay Service Club

Hosting



**Annual Christmas Tree Lighting  
November 13 at 5:00 pm**

**Christmas Carols  
Reading of the Christmas Story  
Free Chili Supper – Mink River Basin**

It was decided to hold the celebration earlier this year so that Ellison Bay will be as brightly lit during the Thanksgiving holiday as the other towns on the Peninsula.

**All are welcome!**

## From Chairman John Lowry:

The monthly publication from the Wisconsin Towns Association has some interesting facts on transportation funding in Wisconsin. As you might recall our Board/Finance Committee, after many meetings and homework, presented Town Electors with a request for a levy override. At the heart of that request was the realization that Town infrastructure, primarily roads, had been negatively affected by the State imposed levy cap. The electors responded and we have been able to begin the process of catching up on road maintenance while judiciously controlling the budget.

According to the publication the result of the 2007-09 recession saw municipalities shift spending from road maintenance to police and fire services. Research found that roads rated excellent/very good declined to 31% from 37% in by 2015. Those rated fair/worse rose from 29% to 32%. That decline was greatest in the State's largest municipalities. According to the DOT the average cost per mile to extend and/or resurface a road structural life is in excess of \$600,000.

The establishment of a Regional Learning Center/Makers Space by NWTC in the former Baylake building in Sister Bay continues to move ahead. Ownership of the building has transferred to NWTC with a projected opening of the Center scheduled for spring. A major thank you to residents David and Karen Studebaker, Mary Pat Carlson, Supervisor Nancy Goss, Administrator Kalms and Clerk/Treasurer Janet Johnson for their time and effort put forth on the project on behalf of the Town. We had initially hoped to have the facility located in Liberty Grove but understood how important it was to be located in Northern Door. Talks with NWTC officials very early indicated how they understood our needs/concerns about retaining and attracting young people to Northern Door, improving the economic well-being and offering educational choices to Northern Door. Under the leadership of Dean Stewart and his staff from NWTC the project really gathered steam and direction.

### Liberty Grove election results:

By the end of election night Liberty Grove had added 66 voters to its registered list putting our total of registered voters at 1,697. 1,424 ballots were cast. 84% of registered voters voted.

#### **President/Vice Pres.**

Trump/Pence – 582  
Clinton/Kaine – 734  
Castle/Bradley – 6  
Johnson/Weld – 46  
Stein/Baraka – 9  
Moorehead/Lilly -2  
Write-in votes – 28

#### **U.S Senator**

Ron Johnson – 673  
Russ Feingold – 704  
P. Anderson -35  
Write-in – 1

#### **Congress**

Mike Gallagher - 717  
Tom Nelson - 682  
Write-in - 2

#### **Assembly**

Joel Kitchens - 731  
Lynn Utesch - 655  
Write-in - 3