



**Meetings & Events @
Town Hall
(unless otherwise noted)**

Township Board*

1st Wed/month @ 7 p.m.
via zoom & in-person

Planning Commission*

Last Mon/month @ 6 p.m.
via zoom only

***Meetings via Zoom and open to
the public**

MEETING ID: 841 1114 6136
PASSWORD: WabanaMtg2

Community Fund Mtg

Mon, Oct. 17 @ 6:30 p.m.

Wabana Northwoods Creations

Arts & Crafts Sales
Sat. Oct. 8 @ 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 3 @ 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Hunter's Supper

Sat, Nov. 5 @ 5:00-7:30 p.m.

State General Election Day

Tues, Nov. 8; voting 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

**Exercise - Stay Active &
Independent for Life (SAIL)**

Tues & Fri /wk @ 10 a.m. Free

Cribbage

Tuesdays @ 1 p.m. for experienced
players, \$3

**Note: Any changes to Meetings
and Events will be posted on the
website and at Town Hall.**

Wabana Warbler

A newsletter for residents of Wabana Township

Wabana Recreation Committee (WTRC)

Mission statement: To maintain and enhance recreational opportunities, for the benefit of Wabana Township citizens and visitors, in cooperation with identified partners.

The Wabana Township Recreation Committee has continued to be very busy working on plans for the Township's recreational improvements. The project may include updates to the hockey rink, playground areas, tennis courts, relocating basketball hoops, and additional amenities.

The Committee has been working with Sarah Carling from Community and Economic Development Associates. This organization has helped many other townships reach their funding goals for projects. This is a big undertaking, but it is do-able.

One way you can help is to complete a Survey. We want to get your input on future park improvements. This will greatly help the committee work towards meeting our community's needs. It will also help in obtaining grants for park improvements. This Survey is available online and paper copies are available in the mailbox by the Town Hall front door. Please complete the Survey by Saturday, October 29.

Each member in the household may complete the Confidential Survey, available online at this link:

<https://forms.gle/eVkuEMNao4cSWktb7>

Also, fundraising efforts for this project are underway. More detailed information about the project and how to make a tax-deductible donation will be mailed in early November. Please return your pledge form by December 15. This information will also be posted on the Township website at <https://wabanatownship.com>.

Questions about the Recreation Committee? Contact Kim Oja by email to: mrs.o@msn.com. We will be glad to hear from you.



Loon Count for 2022

The WCOLA reported a total of 41 loons counted on the chain of lakes with 39 adults and 2 chicks. The breakdown included:

Bluewater 4 adults and 1 chick
 Wabana 13 adults
 Trout 22 adults and 1 chick
 Little Trout 2 adults

In addition,

Doan Lake 2 adults and 1 chick
 Little Wabana 4 adults
 Clearwater 2 adults and 1 chick

Thanks to Ken & Barbara Zimmer, Susan Hawkinson, Jim Christmas, Steve Melin, John and Cheryl Adams and Carol Speedling for doing the loon count.

Ice Cream Social

Many residents, families, and friends attended this year's ice cream social on August 12. It was a chance to see old friends, meet new friends, and enjoy some refreshing ice cream, toppings, and cookies. The Township scholarship winners, Maggie Seekon and Charlie Black, as well as volunteer residents, served the ice cream. Thanks to the Community Fund and WCOLA for hosting this yummy event.

Fall Clean-up Thanks

THANK YOU to the dedicated and hard working group of residents who walked miles of roadways on September 21 to pick up trash in Wabana Township, keeping our roadways clean. Good Job!!

Nov. 5 Deer Hunter's Supper

The Deer Hunter's Supper will take place this year on Sat. Nov. 5, from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall. Plans include a delicious pork loin dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy, coleslaw, green beans, corn, applesauce, dinner roll, and dessert. There will be raffle drawings, a silent auction, and a baked goods sale. Tickets for the raffle drawing (\$1) are available at the dinner or by contacting Janeen at jgueltzow@gmail.com. Top prizes include a print from the Deer Hunter's Association, a \$200 gift card from S&S meats, and Class 5 from Schwartz. Need not be present to win.

Volunteers will be needed on Fri. Nov. 4 with room set up, and on Sat. Nov. 5, with food preparation, serving, & clean-up. **Donations are needed** for the bake sale and silent auction and may be dropped off at Town Hall on Fri. Nov. 4 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. or on Sat. Nov. 5 at 10:00 a.m. The Wabana Community Fund puts on the Hunter's Supper, which serves as its largest fundraiser for student scholarships and other community events. Your help and donations are much appreciated. Email djkoewler@paulbunyan.net for questions about donations or serving as a volunteer.

Sign up for Township News by Email

The Township is looking at ways to keep its citizens informed on news and events. One way to do this is by encouraging residents to sign up for the email news list. Important and timely information is being distributed by this method, including this newsletter. It is anticipated a monthly email will be sent. Occasional additional emails may be sent for special items. To subscribe, go to Wabana e-News on the Township website: <https://wabatanowship.com/wabana-warbler-newsletter/> or contact Jean at 952-250-6690 or email jeanonwabana@gmail.com to be added to the e-News. You will be able to unsubscribe from the e-News at anytime, if you so choose. Don't miss out...sign up NOW!

New Community Library at Town Hall

Take a few minutes to stop by Town Hall to check out the new Free Library. You can take a book to enjoy, share it with a friend, or return it. Bring a book to share when you are able. Thanks to the Town Board for approving the construction and placement of the Community Library. A special thanks to Sherri Wakeman, Annette Wakeman, Deb Kee, and Cheri Peterson for their hard work on the construction of this project.





Fight Blight a Success

Itasca County sponsored a project to help clean up blight in the county. Wabana Township participated in this program the weekend of August 13-14. Residents brought 53,000 pounds of acceptable items to the town hall for disposal in dumpsters, provided by the county, to collect the items. There was no charge to the Township for use of the dumpsters. Thanks to all who volunteered for this event. Your help is appreciated.



Photos by Kim Oja

Election Day is November 8, 2022

The following Wabana Township offices will be on the November 8, 2022 Election ballot:

- ◆ Town Supervisor Seat A
- ◆ Town Supervisor Seat B
- ◆ Town Supervisor Seat C
- ◆ Town Clerk

Election Day Voting Hours are 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.



In addition to Township offices, the Election Ballot includes Federal, State, County, School District and Judicial offices. There is also a County question on local option sales and use tax. To view your Sample Ballot, go to <https://myballotmn.sos.state.mn.us>. You will need to enter your address to see your Sample Ballot.

For information on where to vote, how to request an Absentee Ballot or vote early, visit Itasca County's website at <https://www.co.itasca.mn.us/178/Elections>. You can vote early and/or by absentee ballot now.

For any Election questions, email the Itasca County Elections Administrator at elections@co.itasca.mn.us.

Don't forget to VOTE on November 8.

Township Newsletter Editor Needed

Are you interested in providing a service to the community in which you live? Consider using your communications and computer skills as you work from home as the Township Newsletter Editor. The newsletter is produced three times/year. For more information, contact Board Supervisor Jane Moore at ph: 563-580-5253 or email: b.jane.moore@gmail.com or contact the current Newsletter Editor at jeanonwabana@gmail.com.

Wabana Northwoods Creations *Featuring local area artists*

Saturdays, October 8 and December 3 are the dates for the Wabana Northwoods Creations Arts and Crafts sales being held at Town Hall. This event is spearheaded by local resident Janeen Gueltzow. Don't miss this opportunity to support local artists, including wood carvings, metal works, jewelry, and more handmade and homemade goods. Doors are open from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Come shop local for unique and one-of-a-kind items.

Town Board Activities

- Itasca County Commissioner, Terry Snyder, spoke to the Board regarding the new County Criminal Justice Center project and the upcoming election. He indicated there will be a question on the ballot regarding a 1% local option sales and use tax to finance the project.
- Wabana Township has been awarded a \$10,000 grant from Itasca County for the Wabana Community Recreation Complex project.

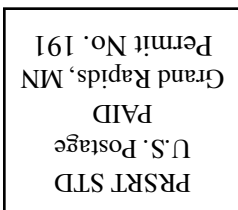


CHECK THIS OUT Wabana Township is now on Facebook!

Search for “Wabana Township” in the Facebook search engine.
 “LIKE” it and you will be kept up-to-date on happenings in town.
Thanks to Kim Oja for managing the Township Facebook page.

Wabana Township Officers and Staff

- Lloyd Adams, Chairman (ph: 218-999-9749; email: lloyd2006@me.com)
- Ruth Fordham, Clerk (218-259-0228; email: ruthwabanaclerk@yahoo.com)
- Sarah Fordham, Deputy Clerk (email: sarahkfordham@gmail.com)
- Deb Kee, Treasurer (ph: 218-326-2115; email: dk317322115@gmail.com)
- Jane Moore, Supervisor (ph: 563-580-5253; email: b.jane.moore@gmail.com)
- Gary Oja, Supervisor (ph: 218-259-0732; email: gdoja@msn.com)
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