

2017 Report on the Land Conservation and Development Department

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Land and Water Division

2017 Highlights

Soil and Water Resource Management Grants

- Livestock access road, streambank fencing, watering facility \$9,186
- Animal walkway system \$8,810
- Animal waste storage abandonment \$11,212
- Animal waste storage abandonment \$13,410
- Barnyard runoff control system \$15,368
 - **2017 Conservation Grants** \$57,986
 - **Staff & Support Grant** \$98,906
 - **Farmland Preservation Grant** \$7,500
- Consulted over 50 landowners with conservation projects
- Tree & Shrub Sale
 - Sold nearly 5,000 trees
 - Donated 200 to local schools
- Student/Public Outreach
 - Conservation Awareness Speaking Contest
 - Healthy Soils Poster Contest
 - 4H Youth Camp – Trails End
 - Career Day – Trails End
 - Earth Day Tree school presentations – Ladysmith Elementary
 - Family Earth Night – Ladysmith Elementary
 - Building a Better World – Hawkins Library
 - Environmental Enrichment after school program – Ladysmith Elementary
 - Rusk County Junior Fair
 - Rusk County Farm, Home, Garden and Sport Show
 - Rusk County Towns Association
 - Representative on the County Deer Advisory Council
 - Representative on WI Land+Water Public Outreach Committee
- Completed Farmland Preservation Plan update which establishes a local vision for agricultural preservation, agricultural development and the development of agricultural enterprises.
- Assisted with Village of Hawkins to establish the county's first Water Quality Trading program which will allow the village to trade Phosphorus "credits" with local farmland to install best management practices to produce cleaner and healthier South Fork Main Creek Watershed.

- Assisted with Village of Weyerhaeuser to begin a Water Quality Trading program in the Soft Maple Creek Watershed

2018 Goals

- Continue to distribute 100% of Soil and Water Resource Management Grant bond funds and expand cost-share opportunities by pursuing additional grants that service soil and water conservation efforts.
- Continue to expand Student/Public Outreach
- Continue to Animal Waste Storage and Nutrient Management ordinance
- Impaired Waters Recovery Plan
 - Goal is to eliminate nonpoint source (NPS) pollution as a significant source of contamination to DNR identified Impaired Waters of Rusk County
- Assist townships in developing certified Farmland Preservation Zoning
- Assist farmers interested in signing a Farmland Preservation agreement and joining an Agricultural Enterprise Area.
- Complete a plan of taking over Rusk County Nonmetallic Mining program

Land Records Division

2017 Highlights

- Completed remonumentation in the Town of Stubbs and various other parts of the county. 233 corners were done for \$71,439.
- Complete V3 submission of parcel data to the WI DOA
- Intern was hired to complete geocoding of addresses and road centerlines in the county. See report.
- Assisted Register of Deeds in hiring a new employee for document back scanning and also assisted in finding new document scanning and indexing software.
- Assisted Sheriff's Department in updating 911 software.

2018 Goals

- Continue remonumentation. The goal is to complete the Southwest portion of Rusk County.
- Update Land Information Plan as required by the State.
- Hire interns to assist in backscanning and indexing of zoning permits and surveys and to compile needs for future remonumentation projects.
- Meet State Strategic Initiatives Benchmarks 1, 2 and 3 and V4 Submission
- Submit US Census Bureau mapping data
- Expand the application of ArcGIS for increased benefits to other departments and the public.
- Continue to review parcels to be sure that what is on the GIS website is accurate for parcel shape, size and ownership.

Zoning Report

2017 Land Use Permits

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Total Applications	129	161	162	181	179	215	473

Total by type of construction

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
House	23	30	37	26	22	21	37
Cabin	8	11	8	14	14	18	17
Garage/Storage	45	62	54	70	63	66	96
Addition/Alteration	23	25	27	20	25	33	32
Decks/Gazebo	8	4	7	4	7	10	37
Walkways/Stairways	3	1	3	4	4	1	7
Filling/Grading	3	1	5	1	8	9	9
Commercial	3	3	5	16	10	6	7
Boathouse	1	2	2	1	2	1	4
RV (begin annual permit 2017)	5	9	7	15	15	42	215
Mobile Home	4	4	5	4	5	4	3
Miscellaneous	3	7	1	6	4	4	8
59.692(1v)	0	2	1	0	1	0	1

Other Land Use Permit information

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Shoreland Permits	76	90	92	105	129	65	410
Nonresident Permits	67	72	81	84	95	105	315

2017 Land Use Permits by Town

	House	Mobile Home	Cabin	Garage/Storage	Addition/Alteration	Boathouse/59.692(1v)	RV	Misc
ATLANTA* (31)	6		2	10	3		9	
BIG BEND (57)	3		4	6	10		28	6
BIG FALLS (0)								
CEDAR RAPIDS (1)								1
DEWEY (54)	3		2	5	6	1	35	2
FLAMBEAU* (27)	2	1		10	8		4	2
GRANT* (13)	5		5	3				
GROW* (2)	1							1
HAWKINS (1)							1	
HUBBARD (6)			1				4	1
LAWRENCE (0)								
MARSHALL* (3)	1				1			1
MURRY (2)		1						1
RICHLAND (4)				2			1	1
RUSK (63)	6	1	4	18	7		26	1
SOUTH FORK (0)								
STRICKLAND (2)				1	1			

	House	Mobile Home	Cabin	Garage/ Storage	Addition/ Alteration	Boathouse/ 59.692(1v)	RV	Misc
STUBBS* (21)	3			7	4	2	2	3
THORNAPPLE*(35)	4		1	12	6	1	11	
TRUE (0)								
WASHINGTON* (100)			2	16	10		64	8
WILKINSON (0)								
WILLARD (40)	1		1	3	6		27	2
WILSON* (11)	2			2	3		3	1

* Indicates comprehensively zoned towns.

Numbers in parentheses indicates total number of land use permits for the town.

2017 Sanitary Permits

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Total Sanitary Permit Apps.	156	120	130	122	111	122	129	140
State Sanitary Permits	125	96	83	97	97	101	107	123
County Sanitary Permits	31	24	47	28	14	21	22	17
New Systems	54	41	40	44	57	52	50	62
Replacement Systems	71	55	43	53	40	49	52	61

Total by type of construction

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Conventional	20	18	18	25	35	24	34
Conventional w/lift	4	5	5	1	4	6	7
At-Grade	3	1	4	4	1	5	2
Mound	11	13	13	11	11	16	23
Holding Tank	46	39	47	50	43	46	47
ISD/ATU	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Filter	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Repair/tank replacement	3	2	4	1	3	5	5
Renewal	7	3	1	1	3	0	0
Revisions	0	1	3	4	1	5	7
Reconnect	11	21	18	8	14	7	9
Privy/Composting Toilet/Incinerating	13	26	10	6	7	15	7

Wisconsin Fund Grants

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Amount Dispersed	\$19,453	\$22,676	\$28,019	\$14,351	\$5,156	\$0
Number of grants	7	7	8	5	3	0
Average amount / grant	\$2,779	\$3,239	\$3,502	\$2,870	\$1,719	\$0

2017 State Sanitary Permits by Town

	Conv. & with lift	Mound	At-Grade	Holding Tank	Renewal / Revision	ISD/ Filter	Repair Replace
ATLANTA (15)	7	3		4	1		
BIG BEND (12)		4	1	7			
BIG FALLS (0)							
CEDAR RAPIDS (0)							

	Conv. & with lift	Mound	At-Grade	Holding Tank	Renewal / Revision	ISD/ Filter	Repair Replace
DEWEY (9)	2	3		3	1		
FLAMBEAU (11)	2	5		3	1		
GRANT (6)	2			2	1		1
GROW (4)	1			3			
HAWKINS (2)		1		1			
HUBBARD (3)				3			
LAWRENCE (1)				1			
MARSHALL (3)				2			1
MURRY (4)	4						
RICHLAND (2)		1			1		
RUSK (19)	6	3	1	6	1		2
SOUTH FORK (1)				1			
STRICKLAND (0)							
STUBBS (3)	3						
THORNAPPLE (3)	2			1			
TRUE (1)				1			
WASHINGTON (9)	7	1		1			
WILKINSON (1)				1			
WILLARD (8)	3			5			
WILSON (5)	1	1		2	1		
V. of BRUCE (1)	1						
V. of GLEN FLORA (0)							
V. of INGRAM (0)							
C. of LADYSMITH (1)		1					
V. of WEYERHAEUSER (0)							

Numbers in parentheses indicates total number of state sanitary permits for the town.

2017 Conditional Use Permits

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Total Conditional Use Permits	3	3	4	9	9	7	23

Atlanta

Two camping units on one parcel in the E ¼ – NE ¼ - NW 1/4, Section 9, T35N, R7W. Property address: W11109 Bennor Road
Petitioner: Ralph Wescott. Approved June 13, 2017

Big Bend

Two camping units on one parcel in Lot 7 Fireside Lodge Subdivision in the NW ¼ - SE ¼, Section 23, T33N, R8W
Site Address: W12595 County Hwy D. Property Owner: Douglas and Rebecca Nielsen. Denied July 11, 2017.

Three camping units on one parcel in A parcel in Lot D Island Lake Park in the SE ¼ - NW ¼ Section 29, T33N, R8W
Property address: W13954 Island Lake Road. Property Owner: Charles Carpenter. Approved September 12, 2017.

Dewey

Multi-family dwelling on Lot 139 Lake Flambeau East in the SE ¼ - SW ¼, Section 17, T35N, R5W.
Site address: N6131 Fairway Drive. Property Owner: Stephen Campbell. Approved July 11, 2017.

Two camping units on one parcel in a parcel in the SW ¼ -SE ¼, Section 17, T35N, R5W. Property Owner: Richard and Tammy Moore. Approved July 11, 2017.

Two camping units on one parcel in the NE ¼ - SE ¼ Section 24, T35N, R5W. Property address: N5795 CTH X East.
Property Owner: Ed Glanville. Approved August 15, 2017.

A park on 14 acres in Gov't Lot 2, Section 2, T35N, R5W. Property Owner: Dairyland Power Cooperative. Approved October 10, 2017.

Rusk

Two camping units on 4.8 acres in Gov't lot 4, Section 26, T33N, R9W. Site address W15069 CTH D. Property Owner: Rob and Gloria Haynes. Approved March 14, 2017.

A nonmetallic mine on the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - NW $\frac{1}{4}$, and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -NW $\frac{1}{4}$, of Section 18, T33N, R9W. Property Owner: Bestway Sand and Gravel. Approved April 11, 2017.

A 116 site campground for tiny homes in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, the E $\frac{1}{2}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$, of Section 20, The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ - SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16 and part of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ -SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 17, all located in T33N, R9W. Total acreage: 300 acres. Site address: W16065 Hogback Road Property Owner: Canoe Bay. Approved July 11, 2017.

Stubbs

A year-round resort with rental cabins on 10 acres in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ - NE 1/4, Section 6, T34N, R8W. Property address: W14155 Tyman Road Property Owner: Bob and Lynda Burdorf. Approved June 13, 2017.

A storage building on a property without a residence on Lot 2 CSM 928 in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ - NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ - SE $\frac{1}{4}$ in Section 7, T34N, R7W. Site Address: N4245 Hwy 40. Property Owner: Anthony Nickolaus. Approved October 10, 2017.

Thornapple

Three camping units on The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ - NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 1, T35N, R7W. Site address N7162 Berkeypile Road. Property Owner: Kenneth Meyers. Approved April 11, 2017.

Washington

A campground on a parcel in Lot 1 CSM 775 in Gov't lot 7, Section 2, T33N, R7W. Property Owner: Randy and Tanya Bronstad. Approved February 14, 2017.

Three camping units on one parcel on Outlot 8 in Camper's Retreat located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ -NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 32, T33N, R7W. Address: N375 Riverside Drive. Property Owner: Charles Connell. Approved May 9, 2017.

Three camping units on one parcel on Outlot 7 in Camper's Retreat located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ -NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 32, T33N, R7W. Address: N373 Riverside Drive. Property Owner: Thomas Connell. Approved May 9, 2017.

Three camping units on one parcel on Outlot 1 in Camper's Retreat located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ -NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 32, T33N, R7W. Address: N351 Riverside Drive. Property Owner: Travis and Amy McNamara. Approved May 9, 2017.

Two camping units on one parcel in the Lot 1 in CSM 389 located in Gov't lot 4, Section 22, T33N, R7W. Address: N927 Ranch Road. Property Owner: Dan and Mary Fisher. Approved May 9, 2017.

Three camping units on one parcel on Outlot 9 in Camper's Retreat located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ -NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 32, T33N, R7W. Address: N379 Riverside Drive. Property Owner: William and Susan Doberstein. Approved June 13, 2017.

Two camping units on one parcel on Outlot 11 in Camper's Retreat located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ -NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 32, T33N, R7W. Address: N385 Riverside Drive. Property Owner: Mark Trzaskowski and Deb Delyea. Approved July 11, 2017.

A short term rental on a parcel in Lot 1 of CSM 673 in Gov't Lot 6, Section 35, T33N, R7W. Property address: W10274 Ranch Road. Property Owner: James Leary. Approved August 15, 2017.

Wilson

Two camping units on 10 acres in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ - NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 16, T36N, R9W. Site address: N8824 Breakneck Road. Property Owner: Larry and Laura Potter. Approved July 11, 2017.

A bar on the NE ¼- NE ¼, Section 8, T36N, R9W. Site address: W16221 Breakneck Road. Property owner: David Engel. Approved December 19, 2017.

2017 Rezoning

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Total Rezoning Requests	1	2	2	1	2	1	0

2017 Subdivisions & Certified Survey Maps

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Total CSM's approved	10	19	20	12	14	14	16
Total Number of Lots	17	29	36	14	28	23	22

2017 Number of CSM's and Lots by Town

<u>Town</u>	<u>Number of CSM's</u>	<u>Number of Lots</u>
Atlanta	1	1
Big Bend	1	2
Dewey	2	3
Grant	2	2
Murry	1	1
Rusk	4	6
Richland	1	2
Washington	2	2
Willard	2	2

Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Permits

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Permits Issued	63	61	60	58	56	53	53
Unreclaimed acres declared	433.6	437	436	448	443	459	449

<u>Mines By Product</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Gravel	54	53	52	51	49	48	45	45
Black Dirt	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2
Clay Borrow	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sand	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5

2017 Nonmetallic Mining Reclamation Permits by Town

	<u>Gravel</u>	<u>Black Dirt</u>	<u>Clay Borrow</u>	<u>Sand</u>
ATLANTA (2)	2			
BIG FALLS (1)	1			
DEWEY (1)	1			
FLAMBEAU (10)	9	1		
GRANT (2)	2			
HAWKINS (4)	4			
LAWRENCE (3)	3			
MARSHALL (5)	4			1
MURRY (4)	4			
RUSK (2)	1			1

	Gravel	Black Dirt	Clay Borrow	Sand
STRICKLAND (2)	1		1	
STUBBS (7)	3	1		3
TRUE (3)	3			
WASHINGTON (2)	2			
WILKINSON (1)	1			
WILLARD (1)	1			
WILSON (1)	1			
Village of Hawkins (2)	2			

2017 Ordinance Public Input Sessions

NONE

2017 Administrative Code Changes

- Many statutory changes were made to WI Stats 59 and 59.692. Implications on Rusk County's ordinances will be evaluated and updated as necessary.

2017 Revenues

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
Land Use Permits	\$13,945	\$18,275	\$20,870	\$21,280	\$20,675	\$23,685	\$48,130
Sanitary Permits	\$25,769	\$24,996	\$27,383	\$27,305	\$28,300	\$28,766	\$32,400
Agent Review	0	\$60	0	0	0	0	\$60
WI Fund Fees	\$3,094	\$1,945	\$2,267	\$2,801	\$2,035	\$515	0
Nonmetallic Fees	\$12,255	\$12,255	\$12,605	\$12,780	\$13,130	\$12,905	\$12,765
Public Hearings	\$800	\$1,400	\$1,200	\$2,000	\$1,900	\$1,600	\$5,000
CSM/Office	\$1,582	\$2,037	\$3,399	\$1,860	\$2,380	\$2,763	\$2,600
Total Revenues	\$57,445	\$60,968	\$67,724	\$68,026	\$68,420	\$70,234	\$100,955

2017 Highlights

- Created a database of county wide campers not in campgrounds and required annual permits.
- Provided training for local soil testers and plumbers.
- Mailed out over 2000 septic and holding tank maintenance notices.
- Audited by WI Department of Safety and Professional Services for the 2016 POWTS program.

2018 Goals

- Hold a Plumber/Soil Tester meeting for continuing education for area plumbers and soil testers.
- Continue mailing septic and holding tank maintenance notices.
- Dedicate an intern to scanning and indexing old permits and getting the permit information available on the internet.
- Assist Land and Water Conservation in taking over the nonmetallic mining program
- Assist in getting the levee certification for the Amacoy Lake Levee approved.
- Create educational handouts for the public for ordinance updates.