## **TOWN OF SPRING BROOK**

#### **December 2025 Tax Newsletter**

Contact Names and Numbers			Meeting Information
John Schaefer	Chairman	715-235-0751	Town Board meetings are usually
Mike "Moose" Hase	Supervisor I	715-874-5341	the second Monday of each month.
Jerry Hotchkiss	Supervisor II	715-664-8831	
Mary Strand	Clerk	715-664-8545	Solid Waste/Recycling Info
Colleen Mensing	Treasurer	715-235-3071	<b>NEW</b> : Clear bags are required.
Robert Irwin	Assessor	715-215-2075	
Justin Steinmeyer	<b>Building Inspector</b>	715-556-0066	Website: www.spring-brook.org

## Tax Payment

Full payment or first installment is due on or before January 31, 2026. For a receipt, please include a stamped, self-addressed return envelope with your tax payment. Tax information is also available on the Dunn County Government's website of www.co.dunn.wi.us.

Make check payable to: Town of Spring Brook Mail to: Colleen Mensing, Treasurer

E7023 410<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Menomonie, WI 54751-6640

### Dog Owners

All dogs, 5 months of age or older, whether inside or outside dogs, are required by Wisconsin State Statutes to be licensed yearly. Fees are as follows: \$10.00 each for male or female intact dog;

\$5.00 each for neutered or spayed dog;

\$40.00 for kennels of up to 12 dogs.

For a dog license, a copy of the RABIES CERTIFICATE must be sent with payment. This certificate is from your veterinarian. Please provide a separate check for the appropriate dog license fee.

#### **Election Websites for Information**

<u>www.myvote.wi.gov</u>	Register to vote; See what's on the ballot; Request an absentee ballot.
www.bringit.wi.gov	For examples of acceptable photo identification.
www.elections.wi.gov	Wisconsin Elections Commission which oversees the Election process.

## 2026 Elections – Wisconsin polling (voting) sites are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. In-person absentee voting is limited and by appointment only.

February 17, 2026 Spring Primary (if necessary)

April 7, 2026 Spring Election

August 11, 2026 Partisan Primary

November 3, 2026 General Election

## **Elk Mound Fire District**

The Elk Mound Fire District is actively seeking professional volunteer firefighters. Contact Fire Chief Colin Feuster for further information at 715-879-5432 or emfd@elk-mound.org.

#### Elk Creek Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District

There are no lake district special charges placed on the 2025, payable in 2026, tax roll.

## Road Right-of-Way

The planting, irrigating, and harvesting of crops in the Town's road right-of-way is prohibited.

#### Solar

Elk Creek Solar of approximately 2,000 acres and 300 MW is proposed by TED Renewables. See the project website at elkcreeksolarproject.com or contact <a href="mailto:info@elkcreeksolarproject.com">info@elkcreeksolarproject.com</a>. Muddy Creek Solar of approximately 2,000 acres and 300 MW is proposed by National Grid

Renewables. See geronimopower.com/in-development/muddy-creek-solar-project/.

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## Other Township Information

- The setback for new construction is 75 feet from the center of the Town road.
- Our Town Hall is available to rent by township residents at a cost of \$60 per day, plus a cleaning deposit of \$25. This deposit is returned if the clean-up is satisfactory.
- The current estimated population of Town of Spring Brook is 1,761. Approximately 1,311 of the estimated population are of voting age.

#### **Permits**

<u>Driveway Permits</u> are required by the Town of Spring Brook. Contact a Town Board member to meet at the proposed site. Cost is \$100. **If a culvert is required, it must meet Wisconsin DOT (Department of Transportation) standards.** Failure to get a Driveway Permit will result in a fine double the amount of the permit, in addition to the cost of the permit.

<u>Building Permits</u> are required by the Town of Spring Book for new home construction, home remodeling, and nonresidential construction. <u>Cost is \$50</u> for new home construction. Failure to get a new home permit is a \$1,000 fine per family unit. <u>Cost is \$25</u> for other construction or remodeling valued at \$2,000 or more [including labor]. Failure to get this Building Permit is a fine double the amount of the permit. **In addition** to contacting the Town Clerk, also contact Building Inspector Justin Steinmeyer (715-556-0066) for state code compliance if building a home.

<u>Burning</u> – To burn, call Dunn County Dispatch **and** also call the Fire Department that serves your property. Be aware of what is allowed to burn and stay informed of possible burning bans.

Dunn County Dispatch 715-232-1348

Elk Mound Fire District 715-879-5432 (leave information after recorded message)

Menomonie Fire Dept 715-232-2414

# Land Division Ordinance – Excerpts for your information SECTION 7 - SUBDIVISION LAND USE ORDINANCE

- A. A "Minor Land Division" of dividing six (6) acres or less from a larger parcel will require no less than one acre per single-family dwelling or building site.
- B. A "Major Land Division" of dividing more than six (6) acres from a larger parcel will require no less than 2.5 acres per single-family dwelling or building site.
- C. Any lot for multi-family dwellings will require no less than 1.5 acres per family.

### **SECTION 9 – APPLICATION AND SKETCH MAP SUBMITTAL**

Any land divider who divides or proposes to divide for land division purposes land located in the Town of Spring Brook that will create a land division ... shall, prior to any submittal of any Preliminary Plat or map information, submit to the Town Clerk a Land Division Application, obtained from the Town Clerk, with the appropriate fee. Applications for Land Division are reviewed by the Town of Spring Brook's Plan Commission and then considered for approval by the Town of Spring Brook Board of Supervisors.

## Ordinance No. 2025-01: Irrigation on Town Roads - NEW

A recent ordinance prohibits irrigation water spray landing on Town roads. If no correction(s) is made after a two-week notification, the landowner shall be subject to a \$250 fine plus costs to repair road damage, if any. Unpaid fines with interest shall be placed as a Special Charge on the landowner's property tax bill. See <a href="https://www.spring-brook.org">www.spring-brook.org</a> for the ordinance in its entirety.

Permits, Bills Against the Town, General Mail Town of Spring Brook Mary L. Strand, Clerk N3519 810<sup>th</sup> St Elk Mound, WI 54739-9242 Tax, Invoice, Other Payments, Dog Licenses Town of Spring Brook Colleen A. Mensing, Treasurer E7023 410<sup>th</sup> Avenue Menomonie, WI 54751-6640