

News from Avon Township

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Tomorrow, many people will gather with family and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving. In addition to feasting on turkey and watching football, this holiday also provides an ideal time to reflect on those things for which we can be thankful – and there is much in Avon Township for which we can be thankful.

I am thankful for our beautiful Town Hall, Maintenance Building, and Salt Shed. I am especially thankful that in less than two years we will be debt free and have paid off our Bond.

I am thankful that we do a great job clearing snow from our roads, with our own snowplows, driven by our own drivers.

I am thankful that most Township residents don't plow snow across the road and have breakaway mailbox posts.

I am thankful that we have an outstanding Town employee who mows the roadsides, removes brush and trees from the ditches, fills potholes, grades roads, and takes care of the Town Hall.

I am thankful that Avon Township roads are in such good shape.

I am thankful that Avon Township recently received a grant of \$737,000 from MNDOT to resurface Norway Road. I am especially thankful to Supervisor Will Huston who did the majority of the work on our grant submission and I'm also thankful to those who helped and wrote letters in support of our request. This roadwork is scheduled for summer 2019.

I am thankful for the fantastic election judges – Deb Angulski, Lisa Baker, Sharon & Rich Beach, Marion Gondringer, Joyce Hess, Kelly Martini (Head Judge), Jane Merdan, Ken Mergen, Bev Nathe, and Sue Rushmeyer – who served at the recent General Election. I am thankful that everything ran so smoothly and that very few voters had to wait more than a few minutes.

I am thankful for the outstanding turnout by Avon Township voters on Election Day. Exactly 1000 voters cast their ballot at the Town Hall, which is amazing for a non-presidential year. I am thankful that we had a higher turnout than the statewide average.

I am thankful that our Township is so beautiful. From the forests of the Avon Hills to our lakes and farms, residents need not look far to see the beauty in our landscape.

I am thankful for the recreational opportunities in our area especially the Lake Wobegon Trail and volunteers who maintain it.

I am thankful that Avon Township has a carefully crafted Master Plan and that the Board of Supervisors continues to make decisions to promote family farms, lakeshores, and a rural lifestyle.

I am thankful for the dedicated work of current and past members of the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission. These individuals have worked hard to insure the quality of life from which we all benefit.

Though this list could go on and on, I will finish by thanking the residents who make Avon Township such a great place to live.

Happy Thanksgiving.