

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE** Oneida County Planning & Development Committee will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, Oneida County Courthouse, Rhinelander, WI 54501 on the following:

**Ordinance Amendment #1-2021** authored by the Planning and Development Committee to amend Chapter 13, Article 3, Section 13.37 Permit Fees of the Oneida County Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Ordinance.

Additions noted by Underlined; deletions noted by ~~strikethrough~~

### 13.37 PERMIT FEES.

Article 3, Section 13.37 remains unchanged except for the following:

- (5) Other fees.
  - (k) POWTS Maintenance Program Fee.
    - (1) As allowed by Wis. Stats. §145.20 (4), each owner of a POWTS shall annually be charged a fee per POWTS for the record keeping attributable to the inventory and tracking of the pumping and maintenance of each POWTS. The annual fee shall be included on the property owner's property tax bill as a special charge.

The proposed ordinance amendment amends Chapter 13 – Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (POWTS) (also known as septic systems) of the Oneida County Code, specifically 13.37(5) Other Fees. The ordinance amendment requests the addition of a POWTS Maintenance Program Fee to cover the cost of administering the POWTS Maintenance Program which was mandated by the State of Wisconsin in 2000. At this time a \$5.00 per POWTS fee will be added to the property tax bill as a special charge for every parcel in the county that has a POWTS. It is estimated that there are 22,433 POWTS on the POWTS Maintenance Program, which will generate revenue to offset the cost of the POWTS Maintenance Program. The actual language is provided with this notice.

If the above language is adopted, the Planning and Zoning Department Fee Schedule will be amended to include the POWTS Maintenance Program Fee for \$5.00. The special charge would be placed on the 2022 property tax bill.

Copies of the foregoing documents are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Planning & Zoning Office, Oneida County Courthouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Rhinelander, Wisconsin 54501 or phone 715-369-6130.

The Oneida County Zoning and Shoreland Protection Ordinance is available online at [www.co.oneida.wi.us](http://www.co.oneida.wi.us).

Anyone having interest may attend and be heard. Interested parties who are unable to attend may send written comments to the undersigned.

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February 2021.

/s/Scott Holewinski, Chairman  
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