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PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of Public Hearing before the City of Cumberland Plan Commission Thursday February 19, 2026 at 9:00 am Cumberland City Hall, 950 1st Ave.

Public Notice is given to all persons in the City of Cumberland that a public hearing will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 9:00 am at Cumberland City Hall to solicit comments and public input on the following:

- ♦ Proposed amendments to Section 17.36 (Shoreland Zoning) of the City of Cumberland Code of Ordinances; and
- ♦ The proposed repeal of Chapter 19 of the City of Cumberland Code of Ordinances.

These proposed changes are intended to update and reorganize the City's shoreland zoning regulations to reflect local needs and ensure compliance with current state law and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) requirements.

Copies of documents related to this topic may be requested at Cumberland City Hall during regular business hours. All persons interested are invited to attend this hearing and be heard. Written comments may be submitted to: City of Cumberland, 950 1st Ave., Cumberland, WI 54829.

Randall D. Reeg
 City Administrator

* Please note that, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information, or to request this service, contact Arlene Frisinger at 950 1st Ave., Cumberland, WI 54829; (715) 822-2752.

* Please also note that it is possible that a quorum of the City of Cumberland Common Council could be in attendance at this, or any meeting of city committees, commissions, or boards. No formal action by the Common Council shall be taken should such a situation arise.
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Notice
2026 EWM Treatment Notification
 Beaver Dam Lake Management District intends to apply for a permit from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to treat up to 40 acres of Beaver Dam Lake with aquatic herbicides to control aquatic plants. The proposed treatment would occur between April 15, 2026 and Oct. 15, 2026.
 Beaver Dam Lake Management District will conduct a public informational meeting on the proposed treatment if five or more individuals, organizations, special units of government or local units of government request one. The meeting would give citizens a chance to learn more about the proposed treatment from the permit applicant. Beaver Dam Lake Management District is not required to, but may, change the proposed treatment based on information provided by citizens attending the meeting.
 Any request for a public meeting on the proposed treatment must be made within five days after this notice is published. The request must specify the topics to be discussed at the meeting, including problems and alternatives, and must be sent in writing to:
 Beaver Dam Lake Management District PO Box 232 Cumberland WI 54829
 Department of Natural Resources 810 West Maple Street, Spooner, WI 54801 ATT: Tyler Mesalk
Tom Schroeder, President
Beaver Dam Lake Management District
P.O. Box 232
Cumberland, WI 54829

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Statewide public notice website
www.wisconsinpublicnotice.org

NOTICE
 Eclipse Self Storage, LLC
 1130 Charrie Lane, Cumberland, WI will auction the contents of a storage unit rented by Jeanette Anderson. The contents are briefly and generally described as: Antique baby stroller, fishing pole, Weber grill, 2 dressers, kitchen supplies, Christmas & Halloween decorations, misc clothing, boxes and totes, bird cage and much more! Auction runs 2/16/26 - 2/26/26. See auction details at storage-treasures.com
Kelly and Rob
Owners/Operators
Eclipse Self Storage, LLC
PO Box 253
Rice Lake WI 54868
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NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Cumberland School District Board of Education shall be held at 6:00 p.m. for open session on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, in the middle school commons. The following is the proposed agenda:
 1. Approve vouchers, receipts, and invoices.
 2. Recognize delegates, visitors, and donations.
 3. Consider approval of the 2026 - 2027 School District Calendar.
 4. Consider approval of Meghan Waite as Marching Band Assistant (Color Guard).
 5. Consider approval of Richard Lauterbach as High School Head Football Coach.
 6. Consider approval of Reid Olson as High School Assistant Football Coach.
 7. Consider approval of Colin Green's resignation as Middle School Principal due to retirement.
 8. Hear discussion items and administrator reports.
 9. Set meeting dates and events.
 A copy of the agenda is posted in the elementary school, middle school, high school, and administration building.
Jennifer Hyatt
Cumberland School District Clerk
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NOTICE
STATE OF WISCONSIN CIRCUIT COURT BARRON COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Informal Administration) CASE NO. 2026 PR000008
 In the Matter of the Estate of Robert Russell Schaghy, deceased, Case No. 2026 PR08.
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:
 1. An application for informal administration was filed.
 2. The decedent, with date of birth April 3, 1937, and date of death November 18, 2025, was domiciled in Barron County, State of Wisconsin, with a mailing address of 1295 6th Ave. Apt 111, Cumberland, WI 54829.
 3. The application will be heard at the Barron County Justice Center County Courthouse, 1420 St. Hwy 25 N., Barron, WI, Room 2700 before Deanne Larson, Probate Registrar, on February 23, 2026.
 4. The deadline for filing a claim against the decedent's estate is May 6, 2026.
 5. A claim may be filed at the Barron County Justice Center County Courthouse.
 6. This publication is notice to any persons whose names or address are unknown.
/s/ Deanne E. Larson
Probate Registrar
January, 22, 2026
Hannah M. Royes
PO Box 6578
Chetek, WI 54728
715-642-3404
Bar# 1124217
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THANK YOU FOR READING THE ADVOCATE


Clear Lake Woman Thrown Out of Tavern; Returned with an Axe

Tatiana R. Balbinot, 32, of Clear Lake, is being charged with make terrorist threats, disorderly conduct, use of a dangerous weapon and resisting or obstructing an officer.
 On January 30, 2026, at approximately 7:39 pm, Barron County Dispatch received a call regarding a disorderly woman at the Escape Bar and Grill in Vance Creek who had been kicked out, and then returned with an axe, which she used in an attempt to gain entry.
 The criminal complaint states that five officers, three Barron County Sheriff Deputies, a Turtle Lake Officer and a Cumberland Officer and his K9 all responded.
 One of the officers saw a woman, later identified as Balbinot, standing in the middle of 2nd Avenue holding an axe. He gave her numerous commands to remain where she was. The officer drew his side-arm and Balbinot yelled something and walked away.
 Balbinot ignored the officer's commands, dropped her axe, and continued walking to her residence, which was just across the street.

As Balbinot reached her front door, the officer holstered his gun and deployed his taser, but it had no effect. She entered her residence and slammed the door behind her.
 The four other officers arrived on scene, and put a perimeter around the residence. One of the officers got on the loudspeaker to demand Balbinot to exit her residence. After the second time, Balbinot came out with her hands up and she was arrested.
 According to a bartender, Balbinot had been at the bar earlier in the evening, but returned accusing the bartender of stealing her wallet. She was told to leave but refused stating she was going to sue and burn down the bar. With the help of patrons, Balbinot was removed from the establishment and the front door was locked to prevent re-entry. Video surveillance shows Balbinot throwing an axe at the front window.
 Her court hearing was scheduled for February 11, 2026.

Ice Fishing...

tions at all. An article in the December 12, 1929 Advocate rightfully suggested that, "A summary pamphlet of game laws should be had by anyone applying to any county clerk or to the conservation commission in Madison."

Things seemed to change yearly and in 1931, Ice fishing was not allowed in Barron County. Finally, in 1932, a bill was passed by the State Legislature and signed into law by Governor LaFollette allowing the sport to take place in all state waters and allowing only three lines per individual. Even then, however, the topic would remain a continual discussion point leading to various restrictions during the 1940s.
 Finally, things were finalized and it was only a matter of time before Ice Fishing Tournaments would begin. The first of these large-scale contests started in the 1950s and 1960s. Cumberland was no exception as these events have become a regular part of our winters for over 70 years and have been sponsored by many different groups and in many different areas of our waters.
 Through the 50s and early 60s it was Collingwood Lake that became the headquarters for the Cumberland Tournament. The January 7, 1954 Cumberland Advocate Headline read, "Ice Fishing Meet Here on January 17." Sponsored by the Cumberland Fire Department, the

proceeds from the event would go towards purchasing an oxygen smoke mask for the volunteer firemen.
 In 1954, the Fire Department took over the Tournament for a year followed by the Sportsmen's Club, who used the money earned for "Conservation purposes in the Cumberland area." It remained on Collingwood Lake until 1964, when the Jaycees took over the Tournament and moved the competition to Beaver Dam Lake, where the entry fee was 50 cents.
 The following year, it was surprisingly held at Library Lake where 300 to 400 fishermen took part, with all proceeds used towards improvements at the beach. The Jaycees followed that event by returning the competition to Beaver Dam Lake where it became the permanent home of the Tournament from that point forward.
 This Saturday, another group of fisherman will gather to participate in the Chambers 43rd Annual Wisconsin State Ice Fishing Contest. This year's participants will look to put their names on the winner's board just like the 1954 entrants did.
 Although the prizes are more substantial and the site is new, 70-years later, one thing has not changed. You can be assured that everyone there on Saturday will enjoy a day on the ice!

Local River...

the foundation for Once Upon a Riverside, a children's book Close created as a holiday gift for his grandchildren. The story is a colorful, nature-centered adventure that follows a kind young protagonist and her animal friends as they journey downstream. Along the way, the book highlights friendship, teamwork, and gentle lessons about the natural world.
 Many of the book's scenes and animal characters are inspired by real moments spent along the Hay River with family. The river itself is named in the story and plays a central role in the adventure. The Hay River is a tributary of the Red Cedar River, running roughly 50 miles through Barron and Dunn counties. It begins in the City of Cumberland at Beaver Dam Lake, flows past Prairie Farm and Wheeler, and eventually empties into Tainter Lake.
 Illustrated in colorful watercolor, Once Upon a Riverside weaves in simple, engaging details about animals and their seasonal habits, including winter survival. The book is suggested for children ages 4 to 9 and is designed to be enjoyed by families and classrooms alike.
 Rooted in the local landscape and community, Once Upon a Riverside is a cozy, educational read for young readers who love animals, nature, and stories inspired by real places close to home. The book is available in hardcover, paperback, and eBook formats on Amazon.com. More information about the author and the book can be found at jamesaclose.my.canva.site.
 Close is a graduate of Menomonie High School and the University of Wisconsin-Stout, where he studied mathematics and