

Town of Lafayette
Chippewa County, Wisconsin

NOTICE OF PROPERTY ASSESSMENT AND REVALUATION
February 22, 2010

Property Assessment. A town assessor may not enter upon a person's real property for purposes of conducting an assessment of property for taxation more than once in each year, except that an assessor may enter upon a person's real property for purposes of conducting an assessment more often if the property owner consents. A property owner may deny entry to an assessor if the owner has given prior notice to the assessor that the assessor may not enter the property without the property owner's permission. Each town assessor shall create and maintain a database identifying all such property owners in the taxation district.

Revaluation. The Town of Lafayette is required to assess property at full value (a "revaluation") at least once in every 5-year period. The Town gives notice that a revaluation of all property will be conducted beginning spring 2010 for purposes of determining the 2012 assessment roll.

Authority of assessor to enter land. An assessor and an assessor's staff may enter upon a person's land, other than a building, agricultural land or pasture, or a livestock confinement area, if all of the following apply:

- (1) The assessor or the assessor's staff enters the land in order to make an assessment on behalf of the Town of Lafayette.
- (2) The assessor or assessor's staff enters the land on a weekday during daylight hours, or at another time as agreed upon with the land owner.
- (3) The assessor or assessor's staff spends no more than one hour on the land.
- (4) The assessor or assessor's staff does not open doors, enter through open doors, or look into windows of structures on the land.
- (5) The assessor or the assessor's staff leaves in a prominent place on the principal building on the land, or on the land if there is not a principal building, a notice informing the owner or occupant that the assessor or the assessor's staff entered the land and giving information on how to contact the assessor.
- (6) The assessor or the assessor's staff has not personally received a notice from the owner or occupant, either orally or in writing, not to enter or remain on the premises.

Authority of assessor to enter onto a construction site. An assessor and an assessor's staff may enter a person's construction site, other than buildings, if all of the following apply:

- (1) The assessor or the assessor's staff enters the construction site in order to make an assessment on behalf of the Town of Lafayette.
- (2) The assessor or assessor's staff enters the construction site on a weekday during daylight hours, or at another time as agreed upon by the land owner.
- (3) The assessor or assessor's staff spends no more than one hour on the construction site.
- (4) The assessor or assessor's staff does not open doors, enter through open doors, or look into windows of structures on the construction site.
- (5) The assessor or the assessor's staff leaves in a prominent place on the principal building at the construction site, or on the land if there is not a principal building, a notice informing the owner or occupant that the assessor or the assessor's staff entered the construction site and giving information on how to contact the assessor.
- (6) The assessor or the assessor's staff has not personally received a notice from the owner or occupant, either orally or in writing, not to enter or remain on the premises