



# VILLAGE of CHENEQUA

## NEWSLETTER

VILLAGE NEWS

NOVEMBER 2016

### Village Board Approves Tax Levy

The Village Board has approved the 2017 Village Budget. Tax levy is set at \$2,065,256. The 2017 total assessed value for the Village of Chenequa set by the Assessor is: \$459,464,700, resulting in a tax rate of \$4.49 per thousand of assessed value.

### Tax Collection

Tax bills will be mailed early-December. Tax payments may be made at the Village Hall during normal business hours, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and on Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Tax payments can be mailed to the Village Hall or placed in the drop box at the main entrance. After processing payments, receipts will be mailed to you. Payments postmarked on or before December 31, 2016, will be receipted as a 2016 payment. Any payments found in the drop box at 8:00 am on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 will also be receipted as a 2016 payment.

**New Tax Payment Option for 2016** - The Village of Chenequa has partnered with Point and Pay for tax payments only. You may pay your bill online by credit/debit card or electronic check. To pay online go to: <http://tax.waukeshacounty.gov/> Please see insert for additional information.

### **Waukesha County partners with Point and Pay LLC for online payments** **Point and Pay LLC charges a convenience fee for online payments**



**\$1.50 for Electronic Check (ECheck)**  
**For transactions greater than \$10,000 an Echeck fee of \$10.00 applies**  
**2.39% of payment amount for Credit/Debit Cards (\$1.50 min)**



Fee will be disclosed before payment is finalized. For technical support call Point and Pay LLC at 1-888-891-6064  
Payments less than the amount due will be accepted. Interest and penalty charges may apply.  
To change your payment amount, select EDIT under "My Bills" on Step One of the payment screen, change the Bill Amount, then select SAVE

### Newsletters

*This will be our last paper newsletter being sent Village wide. Only electronic copies will be sent starting in 2017. Please be sure we have a valid email address so you will continue to receive news on what's happening in Chenequa.*

*Hard copies will be sent only by request to: [policeclerk@chenequa.org](mailto:policeclerk@chenequa.org)*

### Thank You Chenequa Poll Workers!

In 2016, we had four elections. We want to send a big thank you out to our poll workers for an outstanding job this year.

Our 2016 poll workers: Sarah Bevington, Greg Budzien, Jodi Canning-Jurena, Mary Alice Eschweiler, Grace Friend, Grace Gunnlaugsson, Cheri Kosler, Linda Lamm, Fred Mayo, Julie Meier, Caryl Orlando, Anne Styza, Jim & Bette Williams and last but not least, our Chief Inspectors: Sharon Pretasky and Alan Enters.

Your dedication is truly appreciated. Thank you!!!



### **Snowbirds and Vacation House Watch**

If you are leaving town for more than a couple of days and would like the Police Department to make a periodic check of your home, please call the Village Hall or Police Department so we may fill out a House Check Report form for you. This form can be found online at <http://www.chenequa.org/eservices/requests> and can either be dropped off at the Police Department or emailed back to us at [policeclerk@chenequa.org](mailto:policeclerk@chenequa.org). Please make sure the form is filled out in its entirety. This will help our officers protect your home while you are away. If you return early, please call us so you are not surprised by a visit from an officer.

If you are going away for 4 or more weeks, please contact Johns Disposal at 262.473.4700 and discontinue services for the time you plan to be away. For more information, please visit the Village of Chenequa's page on Johns Disposal's website at <http://www.johnsdisposal.com/services/municipalities/chenequa-village/>.

### **Dog Licenses**

Soon it will be time to renew dog licenses for 2017. **Please remember that you must submit a copy of your dog's current rabies certificate along with your application.** We cannot issue a dog license until we have a copy of the rabies certificate in our office. A copy of the Application for Dog License is enclosed or one can be obtained at our website: <http://chenequa.org/eservices/dog-licenses/>. **It is Village Ordinance and State Law that all dogs be licensed,** and it also makes it easier to return lost dogs that are on record in Chenequa.



### **Chenequa Foundation Grant**

We sincerely thank the Chenequa Foundation for their continued support. In these times of zero increase budgets some much needed improvements, such as the \$50,000 worth of new equipment needed by the Forestry/Highway Department, are not able to be worked into the village budget. For those of you who support the Chenequa Foundation and their mission, THANK YOU! For additional information on the Chenequa Foundation please go to our website and look under the "ABOUT" tab.

### **New Village Ordinance**

8.23 LAND AND UNNECESSARY NOISE PROHIBITED

(8) OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PERMANENT STANDBY GENERATORS

No person shall use, operate or maintain a permanent standby generator except during electrical outages and as required by the manufacturer for maintenance purposes. Maintenance operation shall only take place between the hours of 9:00am and 3:00pm, Monday through Thursday in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and not to exceed once a week.

*Further revisions to come in December to allow for testing on Saturdays from 10:00am – 2:00pm.*

### **Village Hall Holiday Hours**

Due to the Christmas and New Year holidays falling on weekends, the Village Hall will remain open regular office hours.

### **Holiday Waste Collection**

Please make a note of the following garbage collection dates for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year holidays. Pick up for those weeks will be as follows:

Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> ♦ Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> ♦ Friday, December, 30<sup>st</sup>

## POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS



### **Beware - Be Vigilant**

The holidays are upon us and crime is always up this time of year. Chenequa Police Officers are here and ready to answer your call for service anytime day or night. Should you see a person or vehicle in an area they are not to be in or are not known to you, do not approach.

- Get a license plate number
- Call the Police as soon as possible
- Program our non-emergency number in your cell phone 262.367.2145
- Program Waukesha County Communications number in your cell phone 262.446.5070 for after hours

We need your eyes and ears as well as our patrols to keep the community safe; this is a partnership. If we work together and look out for each other, we will hopefully be able to continue to deter crime in the Village.

### **Bow Hunters**

A reminder for those of you who have allowed bow hunters on your property: please complete the permission slip with the requested information and make sure the Chenequa Police Department has a copy on file. This is voluntary but we encourage you to assist us in identifying who is in the Village and has permission to be on properties. Please get full information before granting permission to anyone; check them out on the Wisconsin Circuit Court Access website <http://wcca.wicourts.gov/> to see if they have criminal history. If you decide to grant permission, please share the information with your Police Department so we know what vehicles and people are in the Village legitimately. Your cooperation in this is very important to our policing effort.



### **Police Department Personnel Changes**

We are pleased to welcome a new full time police officer to our staff. Adam Skerbish has been hired on to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Police Captain David Reid earlier this year. Officer Skerbish was with the City of Oconomowoc Police Department for 20 years. Officer Skerbish also served his country as a Marine before starting his law enforcement career.

Dan Neumer was promoted from Sergeant to the Captain position earlier this year. We have also brought in a few new part-time officers to assist in filling open shifts and for water safety patrols as needed. These officers are Brian DeBarge, Adam Nelson, Kendra Moonen, and Derek Novobielski. Please know that we have someone on duty 24/7 -365 days a year so please call when you need or see something that requires police attention.

Katelyn Vaughan has joined our team in the Police Clerk position and will also in time work into being a Village Deputy Clerk for back up to Pam Little, the Village Clerk – Treasurer.



Wishing you Peace, Love and Joy this Holiday Season,  
and a Happy and Healthy new year!

~ All of us at the Chenequa Village Hall and  
Police Department



### Snow Plowing and Salting of Drives

Plowing of public and private roads is done as needed to ensure access for emergency vehicles and safe passage for other vehicles. Please have your 2017 plowing agreement and check to the Village Hall by December 30, 2016.

- The plowing and sanding of private driveways is a unique service that normally begins when a snowstorm subsides and there is *2-3 or more inches of snow*.
- Driveway plowing is systematically done to provide this service in an efficient and economical manner and it *takes between 6-12 hours to service the entire Village, depending on conditions*.
- Vehicles and other obstructions must be removed or a drive will be passed by until it is clear.

The Village will only salt hills, curves and intersections. We will not salt your circle drives, the area to your entry way, or around your garage doors. Anything flat is your responsibility as a homeowner. We had many calls last year from residents looking for salt on their entire drive or particular areas we were just unable to accommodate.

A fertilizer spreader or grass seed type of spreader with some calcium chloride or sidewalk salt, these can be purchased at any hardware store to handle those areas for you. We also urge you to be sure to place your driveway markers so the Village snowplow drivers know where to avoid.

367-2239	Village Hall
367-3341	Village Fax
9-1-1	Fire & Police Emergency
367-2145	Non-Emergency during office hours
367-2600	After hours Weekends/Holiday
	Office Hours
8am to 4:30pm	Monday – Thursday
8am to 3pm	Friday



