January 2020 Newsletter

Happy New Year!

Please be sure to fill out 2020 Snow Plow Agreements and 2020 Dog License Applications. If you have any questions, feel free to call or email the Village.

## Village Update

See the second page of this newsletter to view the Type E Election Notice for the February 18, 2020 election.

## Forestry Updates

As the snow continues to fly, the Village will be out plowing driveways for those who have paid the annual fees for 2020. Please make sure that you have a 10'x10' clearance around your driveway for the snowplows and emergency first responders can safety access to the house and driveway. This includes things like trees, brush, landscaping rock, yard supplies, etc. Please allow 6-8 hours after a snowstorm for your driveway to be sufficiently plowed. For snowfalls less than 2", flat driveways may not be plowed as we will be focusing on plowing out the main roads and steep slopes in the Village.

Just a reminder that as always, no cutting of trees, brush, or any vegetation is allowed within 75' of a waterway in the Village without a permit. The purpose of this is to prevent erosion, filter runoff before it goes to the water, maintain a healthy aquatic ecosystem, and preserve the natural beauty of all the shorelines.

The Village of Chenequa employs 2 foresters that would be more than happy to meet with any resident on site to help out with any tree-related questions that anyone may have.

Cody Lincoln, Public Works Director

# Police Updates

#### **Snowbird & 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. You can also email these requests to:

policeclerk@chenequa.org

### **Safety Tip**

This time of year after the holidays is well known as tax season. That being said, one of the most frequent scams that many unfortunately fall victim to, is one involving subjects posing as IRS representatives. The IRS will NEVER initiate contact with taxpayers via telephone, email or social media and will NEVER request personal or financial information.

If an unsolicited communication is received, do not provide any personal of information such as; social security number, credit card, or bank account numbers. Additionally, the IRS or any legitimate company, will never ask to pay debts off in gift cards, via Western Union, or anything similar.

If you receive a similar telephone call, the best thing to do is to just ignore the call. Blocking the number on your phone is also an option as well. If you end up in a conversation, advise the caller you are aware they are not legitimate and ask them to not call again. In regards to emails, do not open any links or attachments and forward the email directly into your "junk" email folder.

Please visit the link below for further information,

https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/tax-scamsconsumer-alerts



#### **VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT**

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may request to vote an absentee ballot. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen, who will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day, who has resided in the ward or municipality where he or she wishes to vote for at least 10 consecutive days before the election. The elector must also be registered in order to receive an absentee ballot. Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued.

#### TO OBTAIN AN ABSENTEE BALLOT YOU MUST MAKE A REQUEST IN WRITING.

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the primary or election or both. You may also submit a written request in form of a letter. Your written request must list your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature. You may make application for an absentee ballot by mail, email or in person.

Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined to home or a care facility, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot.

PAMELA ANN LITTLE
31275 W County Road K
Chenequa, Wisconsin
(262) 367-2239
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 am to 4:30 pm
Friday 8 am to 3 pm

**The deadline for making application to vote absentee by mail is:** 5 pm on the fifth day before the election, Thursday, February 13, 2020.

The first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: Monday, January 27, 2020.

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: 5 pm on the Friday before the election, Friday, February 14, 2020.

No in-person absentee voting may occur the day before the election.

The Municipal Clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place or counting location before the polls close on February 18, 2020. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.