January 2022 Newsletter

Happy New Year!

Please be sure to fill out the 2022 Snow Plow Agreements & 2022 Dog License Applications.

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 daily 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 or call (262) 367-2145

Snow Plowing and Salting

As the snow continues to fly, the Village will be out plowing driveways for those who have paid their snow plow fees for 2022. Please make sure that you have a 10' x 10' clearance around your driveway for the snowplows and so the emergency first responders can safely access your driveway and home. This includes things like: trees, brush, landscaping rock, yard supplies, etc.

Please allow 8 hours or more for Village staff to plow and salt all Village roads and driveways. Snow removal operations are initiated at the discretion of the Highway Department personnel. Road conditions and the weather forecast determine when and how to begin.

The following services are typically NOT performed by the Village:

- Salting or plowing outbuildings or close to garage doors
- Clearing sidewalks and walkways.
- The entire width of driveways.
- Hand shoveling.
- "Clean sweeping" all areas of the driveway.
- Guaranteeing the plowing by a particular time of day.

Thank you – Cody Lincoln and Cody Hagfors

Tax Collection

You may pay the first installment or the entire tax payment at the Village Hall during normal business hours through January 31, 2022. If you are paying your bill after that date, you will need to mail payments to: Waukesha County Treasurer • 515 W Moreland Blvd, Room 148 • Waukesha, WI 53188.

Protect Yourself from Holiday Scams

The Holidays are a time to reconnect with family and friends, but they also can present an opportunity for scammers. Practice cybersecurity tips to avoid falling for scams like these:

- TSA Pre-Check: A fraudulent email is sent to travelers encouraging them to renew their Transportation and Security Administration (TSA) Pre-Check membership. The email appears to be from the TSA with a link to an online form which prompts them for payment information.
- **Spoofed Amazon Order Attack:** This email spoofs Amazon's order notification page. When the victim calls the phony customer service number in the email, they get a call back from scammers who ask for credit card information.
- Proofpoint Impersonation Stealing Google and Microsoft Information: This attack impersonates Proofpoint and tries to steal the Microsoft and Google email credentials of potential victims.

Here's how to spot a phishing email:

- 1. If the email is from a trusted source but unexpected, call or email the sender to confirm that they sent it.
- 2. Review the sender address. Hover your mouse over the email address and a pop-up appears revealing the sender's email address.
- 3. Examine the recipient address. Phishers often make this entry appear as blank (either by accident or design). Seeing an empty recipient field is a good indicator that this is a bogus email.
- 4. Does the subject line make sense? Scammers often get sloppy and mix subject lines between scams.
- 5. Review the body of the email and look for typographical errors, incorrect salutations or signature blocks, and unclear images. Hover your mouse over all links before clicking on them.
- 6. Look at the email attachments before you click to download. If the file format doesn't make sense, delete the email.

Don't let your holiday plans be ruined by scammers and phishing emails. Spotting scams, like any other skill, takes time and practice.



VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

Any qualified Elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may submit a request to vote an absentee ballot to their Municipal Clerk. A qualified Elector is any U.S. citizen who:

- will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day; and
- has resided in the ward or municipality where they wish to vote for at least 28 consecutive days before the election.

The Elector must also be registered to vote to receive an absentee ballot. Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued*.

Making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail

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 make written application to your Municipal Clerk for an absentee ballot in person, by mail, by fax, by email or at MyVote.wi.gov.

Your written request must include:

- 1. your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote;
- 2. the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different from the address above your signature; and
- 3. a copy of your photo identification.*

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is: 5:00 p.m. on the fifth day before the election, Thursday, February 10, 2022

*Voters who are indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity, or disability may not be required to provide photo ID. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

**Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined, 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.

Voting an absentee ballot in person

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 in person.

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 first day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: Tuesday, February 1, 2022

The last day to vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is: 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before the election, Friday, February 11, 2022

No in-person absentee voting may occur on 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 **Tuesday**, **February 15**, **2022**. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted