



# Village of Chenequa

October 2023 Newsletter

Fall has arrived!



## Halloween Trick or Treat

October 31 from 4:00 – 7:00 PM

### Scam Alert- Ransomware

Ransomware is an extremely lucrative type of cybercrime. Hackers use malicious software to encrypt a victim’s files or lock an operating system and demand a ransom payment to make them functional again. Sometimes the hackers will steal and threaten to publish sensitive files if their demands are not met. Ransomware is designed to spread across a network and target database and file servers, so it can quickly paralyze an entire organization. But ransomware also can target individuals and companies of all sizes.

Tips to prevent a ransomware infection:

- NEVER click on unsafe links: Avoid clicking on links in spam messages or unknown websites.
- Always double check the address of the sender. Make sure it’s a valid address.

### 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 Police Department so we can fill out a House Check Report form for you or click on the link and email it back to us.

If you will be gone for four weeks or longer, please be sure to call John’s Disposal to pause your garbage pick-up while you are away.

If you have questions, feel free to call:

Chenequa Police Department  
Non-emergency line:  
262-367-2145

## Forestry News

As cooler weather arrives, the Village of Chenequa Forestry Department will soon be prepping all our trucks with their corresponding snowplows and salt spreaders. As we begin to prep our winter equipment, now is a great time to make sure your driveways are also ready for winter. This includes installing plow markers before the heavy frost sets in the ground, moving objects away from the edges of the driveway, and clearing overgrown brush to allow enough space for our large trucks to pass through. Chenequa Village Ordinance 5.23 specifies that driveways must have at least 10’ of vertical clearance from overhanging tree limbs and 2’ of clearance along each side of the driveway. Now is a great time to mail in your 2024 Snow Plow Fee as well. The Snow Plow Form can be found on our website at <https://chenequa.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/2024-Snow-Plow-Agreement.pdf>.

As many are aware, the Village offers a unique snowplow service for private driveways to best serve our residents in the winter months. The intention of this service is to provide reasonable access throughout the winter for vehicles properly equipped for winter driving and for emergency vehicles.

Residents who choose to use the snowplow service can expect their driveway to be cleared within 6-12 hours of the snowfall subsiding. As a general rule of thumb, the Village will provide plow services when snow totals are 2” or greater, and usually more frequently on shared main drives and steep hills. The plow service offered by the Village does not include hand shoveling, plowing outbuildings or close to garage doors, plowing the entire width of all driveways, or guaranteeing completion of plowing by any particular time of the day.

### Ways you can help us help you during a snowstorm:

- Make sure all cars are cleared away from areas you want to have plowed.
- Push snow away from structures, towards the center of the driveways before plows arrive.
- Make sure pets and children are indoors when plow trucks are coming through.

Thank you for your cooperation. Cody Lincoln and Cody Hagfors