



Village of Chenequa

November 2023 Newsletter

Please be sure to complete and mail your 2024 Snow Plow Agreements and 2024 Dog License Applications.

Johns Disposal
Thanksgiving – November 23rd
Collection will be delayed by one day.

The Village Hall will be closed
Thursday, November 23rd & Friday,
November 24th in observance of
Thanksgiving.



Welcome to the Chenequa Family!

Please welcome part-time Officer Jeff Gonzalez (pictured with Chief Neumer) to Chenequa. He brings to us 30+ years of law enforcement experience from the Washington County Sheriff's Department and the Germantown Police Department where he retired with the rank of Lieutenant. He has commanded tactical teams and is a state certified trainer in several disciplines. He is also a Captain of the Newburg Volunteer Fire Department where he is a state licensed EMT. Jeff is also a graduate of the #268 session of the FBI National Academy.

We are very excited to have Jeff join our department!

Village Tax Levy Update

The proposed 2023 tax levy is \$2,031,653 with a proposed tax rate of \$2.93 per thousand (another tax rate decrease.)

This tax rate is for the Village tax portion only. The tax rate decrease is due to the 11% increase of assessed value compared to 2022. The assessed value increase is due to the market, as well as the improvements to existing and building of new structures in the Village.

To fund the Village of Chenequa's portion of the Lake Country Fire and Rescue service, there is a proposed special charge of \$817.00 per each property with a structure (improved parcel). The proposed special charge will print in the "Other" section of the tax bills.

Forestry Department and Driveway Clearance

With winter just around the corner, our Forestry Department will likely be out plowing within the next few weeks. It is important to take a detailed look at your driveway and surrounding vegetation to ensure our plow vehicles will be able to adequately serve you. Ordinance 5.23 (Driveway Regulations) requires that foliage must be a minimum of 2' outside the driveway edges with a minimum height of 10' to overhanging foliage. Failure to clear and trim this brush will directly result in damage to emergency response vehicles and plow trucks. If your driveway is not passable with our large equipment, snow plowing services may be temporarily suspended.

Additionally, please remember to install plow markers to delineate the edges of your driveway. Not marking your driveway makes it extremely difficult to locate the driveway boundaries and often results in landscape damage. The Village of Chenequa may not plow your driveway if it is not properly marked.

Tax Collection

Tax bills will be mailed before December 12th.

Only the first installment or full payment of your tax bills may be made at the Village Hall during normal business hours. Payments received on or before December 29th, 2023 at noon will be received as a 2023 payment.

Payments can be made via the internet by using your credit card (2.39% convenience fee) or by direct debit to your checking account (\$1.50 convenience fee). To pay online, go to:
<https://tax.waukeshacounty.gov>

You may also mail your payment to the Village Hall:
31275 W County Road K
Chenequa, WI 53029
Please mail several days early to avoid postal delay.



Snow Plowing/Salting Agreement and Release of Liability 2024

By signing this agreement, I request that the Village of Chenequa (together with its employees, agents or contractors referred to as the "Village") perform snow plowing and salting services (the "Services") on my property, at the address set forth below. I agree, personally on my own behalf, and on behalf of any other person whose property is damaged while on my property, to release and waive any claims or causes of action for property damage caused by the Village while providing the Services. I further agree to hold harmless and indemnify and hold the Village harmless against any and all claims resulting from such Services including, without limitation, claims of property damage to my property or the property of any other person which is damaged while such property is located on my property.

The Village's Winter Roadway Maintenance Policy is on the reverse side. The Village offers the Services to all property owners but no property owner is required to use the Village's Services. Property owners who have specific needs or requirements with respect to snow removal or salting (e.g., timing of snow removal) may desire to have such services provided by persons or entities other than the Village.

This Agreement along with the **\$100** fee must be received by the Village Hall by December 30, 2023. **Failure to do so will result in the removal of your address from the Village list for snow plowing and salting services.** This Agreement covers the Services provided from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

Driveways must be marked or they will not be plowed. _____ (initial)

I have read the above and the attached.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

VILLAGE USE:

DATE REC'D _____

FEE PAID _____

CASH/CHECK NO _____

REC'D BY _____

This release, hold harmless and indemnification, applies to the Village, as well as any of its employees, agents or contractors, providing such Services.

Return this form to:

VILLAGE OF CHENEQUA, 31275 W COUNTY ROAD K, HARTLAND, WI 53029

OUTLINE OF VILLAGE SNOW PLOWING POLICY

Plowing of public and private roads is done as needed to ensure access for emergency vehicles and safe passage for other vehicles.

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

PLOWING SERVICES NOT INCLUDED:

Driveway plowing is intended to provide reasonable access to homes and passage for emergency vehicles but it is not intended to be of the quality that may be available from some commercial services.

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 all driveways.
- Hand shoveling.
- “Clean sweeping” all areas of the driveway.
- Guaranteeing plowing by any particular time of day.

SUMMARY:

The Village plows private driveways as a supplement to the plowing of the Village roads and streets. This Village has budget and manpower limitations and, as a result, we may not be able to meet all the possible requirements of all Village residents. The Village attempts to provide similar services to all residents who request this service. If you have specific or unique requirements, you may need to contract privately for plowing service.



Village of Chenequa
 31275 W County Road K
 Chenequa, WI 53029
 (262) 367-2239

Date paid _____
 Amount _____
 Cash
 Check No. _____
 Recorded by _____

2024 Dog License Application

Why is it **important** to license your dog?

- 1. Identification** - This tag not only identifies your dog to shelter staff or law enforcement officers, it also is linked to a computer database. The database linked to dog license numbers which helps shelter workers handle lost pets. If your dog is wearing its dog license, shelter staff will know your pet's name. This can help a lot when handling a lost, possibly injured pet.
- 2. It's the Law** - All dogs over 5 months old **MUST** be licensed every year. Failure to do so can result in fines over \$100. Section 174.05 of the Wisconsin Statutes and Village of Chenequa Ordinance 8.15(7).
- 3. Funding Animal Cruelty Investigation** - Dog license fees fund the Humane Officer Program which investigates animal cruelty, abuse, and neglect investigations in Waukesha County. Just by licensing your dog, you are helping relieve suffering for many animals!
- 4. Education Programs** - Animal bite prevention programs and humane animal education presentations are also funded by dog license revenues.
- 5. Proof of Rabies** - The Waukesha County dog license serves as proof of rabies in case of bite incidents.

Please be sure to provide a copy of a current rabies vaccination certificate.

License cannot be issued without proof of current rabies vaccination.

Owner's Name:	Dog's Name:
	Breed:
Address:	Color/Markings:
Phone Number:	Gender: Male Female
Email:	Spayed/Neutered: Yes No
Tag Number: (Office Use Only)	Name of Veterinary Clinic:

License Fees: \$14 – neutered/spayed \$19 – unneutered/unspayed

A \$5.00 late fee per dog will be charged after March 31st

Fees are payable via check or cash only.
 Checks can be made payable to the *Village of Chenequa*