

# Village of Chenequa

November 2024 Newsletter

Please be sure to complete and mail your 2025 Snow Plow Agreements (due, December 31, 2024) and your 2025 Dog License Applications (due March 31, 2025) or a \$5.00 late fee will be applied per dog.

Johns Disposal
Thanksgiving – November 28th
Collection will be delayed by one day.

The Village Hall will be closed Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup> & Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving.



## Welcome to the Chenequa Family!

Please welcome part-time Officer Tracy Burbach (pictured with Chief Neumer) to Chenequa. Tracy retired from the Wauwatosa Police Department in February 2023, and she brings to Chenequa 30 years of law enforcement experience.

Tracy worked the last 11 years of her career as an SRO (School Resource Officer) at Longfellow Middle School.

We are very excited to have Tracy join our department, and she will be an asset to the Chenequa family.

Please stop and say hello to Officer Burbach when you see her out on patrol.



## Village Tax Levy Update

The proposed 2024 tax levy is \$2,031,840 with a proposed tax rate of \$2.92 per thousand (steady with last year's rate of \$2.93.)

This tax rate is for the Village tax portion only.

To fund the Village of Chenequa's portion of the Lake Country Fire and Rescue service, there is a proposed special charge of \$761.00 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 9th.

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 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at noon will be receipted as a 2024 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.



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

Date paid		
Amount		
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0	Check No	
Recorded by		

## 2025 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:  $\bigcirc$  \$16 – neutered/spayed  $\bigcirc$  \$21 – unneutered/unspayed

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



## Snow Plowing/Salting Agreement and Release of Liability 2025

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 \$200 fee must be received by the Village Hall by December 30, 2024. 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, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

I have read the above and	d or they will not be plowed <mark> (</mark> initial) the attached.
SIGNATURE:	
PRINT NAME:	
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CELL PHONE:	
EMAH.	
DATE:	
VILLAGE USE:  DATE REC'D  FEE PAID	— contractors, providing such services.
CASH/CHECK NO	Return this form to:

#### **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.