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HALLOWEEN IN HORTONVILLE

SUNDAY, 10/30/2022

Trick-or-Treat hours: 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

- ► A bag of treats and a gold dollar coin will be handed out at the Hortonville Municipal Services Center, 531 N. Nash Street, 2:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
- ▶ Parade to start at 2:30 p.m. The annual Halloween Parade will start at the Hortonville Municipal Services Center, 531 N. Nash Street, and end in the alleyway behind the bowling alley.

New this year

Hortonville businesses will have tables set up at the end of the parade (Pine Street) where the children can trick-or-treat. Thank you to all the businesses that participated!!



November 8, 2022 General Election

Not registered to vote in the Village of Hortonville? Register online at **MyVote.wi.gov**, or in the Administration office at 531 N. Nash Street. You can also use these options to change your address if you have moved.



Are you looking for an opportunity to serve your community? Why not become a Hortonville Emergency Medical Responder. We are looking for volunteers that will be there when the need arises. Possible incentives and class reimbursement.

Please contact Traci at 920-609-7148 or Chad at 920-609-3327.

2023 Election

Nomination papers will be available from Clerk-Treasurer Jane Booth for the Spring Election.

The Village President, three (3) Village Trustees, and the Municipal Judge are to be elected at the April 4, 2023 Spring Election. The final day for filing nomination papers with Jane is 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

UNION CEMETERY Fall Cleanup

All flower arrangements, real or artificial, must be removed no later than October 15th to allow for a thorough fall cleaning of the cemetery. Persons desiring to reuse such material must claim them prior to that date or they will be discarded by the Village.

Christmas, fall and winter arrangements may be placed after November 15th. All Christmas, fall and winter arrangements must be removed no later than March 15th for spring cleaning of the cemetery.

The full Union Cemetery rules and regulations can be found on the Village's website or may be picked up at the Administration Building.



From the Police Department

Autumn marks the transition from summer to winter. The Village is currently in transition and we are in the process of making more changes. We have already updated some streets, beautified one of our parks and welcomed ATVs and UTVs in the Village. With that being said please be mindful of updated street signs and signage regarding the parks and routes. See Village website for ordinances regarding routes. Also, please like our NEW Facebook page, you will see the green vintage Hortonville patch.

School and construction zones are in full swing and we want to ensure safety for both children and drivers alike. Please be aware of your surroundings, drive slow and cautious while in work and school zones. We have a lot of little commuters in the community that will be walking to school using cross walks and getting on and off buses. Keep them safe!

Visit the link below to register for emergency notifications. Please include your address and contact information to receive public safety alert messages. These messages could include emergency evacuation notices, public safety/life safety notifications, or hazardous chemical emergencies that are occurring within your neighborhood. You may also select to receive any weather alerts issued by the National Weather Service through this system.

https://www.outagamie.org/government/department s-a-e/emergency-management/public-emergencyalert-notification-system

For those of you that will be partaking in Halloween festivities please make sure you are aware of the traffic, house lights (signifying they're passing out treats) and remember to stay safe while trick or treating.

Lastly, we want to thank everyone that participated in National Night Out. It was a complete success and we could not have done it without the help of all the generous businesses and folks that provided donations! We appreciate your support and presence in our community!



PROPERTY TAX BILL INFORMATION

Pay your tax bill on-line at www.hortonvillewi.org. There is a convenience fee charged when paying on-line. See the yellow "Paying a Bill Online" article in this newsletter.

Office hours for people wanting to pay their property tax bill at the Village Administration Office, 531 N. Nash Street, are 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Fridays.

The Administration Office will be closed:

Closed - 12/23/2022 / Closed - 12/26/2022 Closed - 12/30/2022 / Closed - 1/02/2023

Avoid the hassle and long lines and <u>mail your</u> <u>Property Tax payment to us</u>. Please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you are requesting a receipt of your payment.

Please mail tax payments to: VILLAGE OF HORTONVILLE PO BOX 99 HORTONVILLE, WI 54944-0099

First installment or full payment of property taxes is due by January 31, 2023. Any refunds will be mailed within two weeks of your payment posting. Payments are considered posted the day they are received. All payments postmarked December 31st will be credited for 2022.

If you are paying using installments, the second payment is due by July 31, 2023, and cannot be paid at the Village Administration Building.

Please send 2ND payment to: OUTAGAMIE COUNTY TREASURER 320 S. WALNUT STREET APPLETON, WI 54911

Alternate tax payment location:
Wolf River Community Bank
309 E. Main Street, Hortonville



Are You a Senior Citizen?

Happy Autumn Everyone! Our annual Senior Autumn Fest is on October 11th. This may not reach you until after that date, but we have planned a full day for you, and hope many of you have attended. If you missed it, we'll do it again next year!

We look forward to some fun events the rest of the year. Our 1st and 3rd Mondays continue, with potluck at noon on the 1st Monday and birthday celebrations on the 3rd Mondays at 1:00 p.m. Although we usually meet in the community room, our November gatherings will be combined due to the election. We will get together on November 21st at Pinewood Apartments at noon. In December we will be back to our regular schedule, with January being another joint potluck/birthday on the third Monday in the community room. We try to send out e-mails each month with a calendar and updates. If you are not on our e-mail list, please call the Village and let them know you'd like to receive the messages. We do not want to leave anyone out!

December brings the second annual "Hometown Holidays" celebration. Please watch for the date of our holiday lights tour. It's a great way to kick off the holiday season!

Our committee is working hard to collaborate with other resources to bring all we can to our residents. Be sure to check out the new

programs offered through the library including the daytime book group, craft times, and movies. We all have varied interests and hobbies, so we hope to tap into many different activities to bring people together. Welcoming new residents and continuing with "old" friends makes life special!

Cold weather is just around the corner, but we hope you have had a chance to give pickleball a try! We had an instructional demonstration of the game (followed by ice cream!) on September 15th. We are excited to have these courts in town and anticipate some great games and tournaments in the future.

ADRC classes continue, with other classes and programs available. We will be getting word out to you as more are planned. Footcare clinics are ongoing every other month. You may schedule an appointment by calling Valley VNA at 920-727-5555. The meal site is held Monday-Friday in the community room. Contact Lisa at 920-740-4648 by noon the day previous to reserve your meal. Carry-out meals are also an option. If you or someone you know is interested in home-delivered meals, please call Lisa for more information.

The card players are having a great time as well! Most Tuesdays and Thursdays you can find them in the community room. New players are always welcome. For our potlucks and birthday gatherings, we bring out games and cards as well if there are players to be had. Do you enjoy a new game you'd like to share or teach? Come on over and help us learn. We're always open to new ideas and hope you share them.

We want you to share your thoughts and ideas for new activities and programs that may spark new interest and involvement. Please let us know how we can better reach more people, bringing everyone together for fun and learning!

Enjoy the season and the holidays ahead. Hope to see you at a gathering soon!

Are you interested in planning for the future of The Village of Hortonville?

The Village Board is wondering if citizens would like to become more involved by being appointed to our committees. We have four committees that are made up of only board members. Three of the committees in which the board is looking for input are the Public Works, Public Facilities, and Public Safety committees. They are wanting to know if there is any citizen interested in being placed on any of these committees. The committees will meet about once a month to discuss different topics. The general topics that each committee covers are listed below.

- 1) Public Works Committee discusses streets, water, and sewer related matters.
- 2) Public Facilities Committee discusses buildings and grounds, parks and recreation, conservation, and land-related matters.
- 3) Public Safety Committee discusses police and fire, public health, bike and pedestrian safety and public nuisance related matters.

If you are interested in one or more of these committees, please fill out an application on the Village website. All applications are due to the Village Administrator by Oct. 31st, via email to Village.administrator@hortonville.wi.gov or mailed to PO BOX 99, Hortonville WI, 54944.

Applications can be found on hortonvillewi.org if you click on Forms, Permits, Licenses and Click on Village Committee Interest Form.











Paying a Bill Online

To make a payment online, go to our website at www.hortonvillewi.org and choose **Online Bill Pay** on the Home screen. Next choose either **Pay Utility Bills** or **Pay Village Bills** and follow the instructions. A **Village Bill** is a property tax bill, a Village invoice, court fines or parking fines.

Please note that payments tendered through this portal will be assessed a one-time convenience fee based on the total amount due. Convenience fees are in addition to the amount(s) owed and are calculated as follows:

- A 2.20% convenience fee will be charged for payments using Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express credit or debit card. The convenience fee is based on the total amount due.
- A fixed \$0.25 convenience fee will be charged for payments using e-check.
- You will have the opportunity to review the total amount due with the convenience fee prior to payment submission.
- While you will be paying fees to the Village of Hortonville, the full amount of the convenience fee is passed to Municipal Services Bureau (MSB) as the provider of this online payment service.





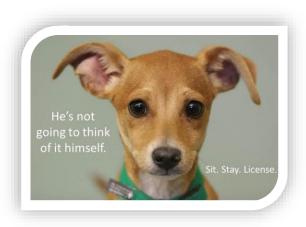






BURNING RESTRICTED

Remember that according to Village Ordinance 14-3 all burning (other than campfires) shall be conducted only between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Sunday. Controlled burning of dry leaves and other non-offensive dry yard debris, and small campfires should be located at least 30 feet from any neighboring structure. Burning brush piles or controlled burning of grass or similar vegetation for environmental management purposes requires written approval from the Fire Chief.



2023 DOG LICENSES

All dogs kept in the Village need to be licensed. The dog license purchased is good for one year - from January 1st through December 31st.

We will have the 2023 dog licenses ready to be purchased by mid-December, 2022. 2023 licenses must be purchased by the end of the day on March 31, 2023, or the owner will incur a late charge.

Dog licenses are available at the Administration Office Monday through Thursday 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Residents are reminded that there are several current ordinances that address the issue of pet owners keeping their animals restrained. The goal is to prevent problems such as an unrestrained, running at large pet becoming a public nuisance to other Village residents.

Pets running loose can be impounded in an animal shelter and their owner will be responsible for payment of an appropriate fee that is imposed at the time the animal is reclaimed. It is important for all pet owners in the Village to be mindful of others and to keep their pets under restraint.

Dogs are not allowed anywhere in Otto Miller Park; there is a sign posted. Dogs are allowed in other Village parks but must be restrained.

CURBSIDE PICK-UP

LEAVES & RAKED YARD WASTE AND BRUSH

The Village will be picking up leaves and raked yard waste and brush at curbside again this fall (place at curb by 8:00 a.m. on dates listed below).

Leaves and raked yard waste must be placed in paper biodegradable bags and must not weigh more than 50 lbs. Bags will be picked up on:

Mondays: 10/17 10/24 10/31 Tuesdays: 10/18 10/25 11/01

Brush must be 3 inches or less in diameter, cut in lengths of 4 feet or less, and bundled (bundles must not weigh more than 50 lbs.). Bundles of brush will be picked up on:

Brush Pick-Up Thursdays: 10/20, 10/27, 11/03

COMPOST SITE

Open Hours: Dawn to Dusk 7 days/week

Residents are invited to drop off their yard waste and brush at the compost site located by the Wastewater Treatment Facility, 521 W. Cedar Street. Be prepared to show an I.D. or utility bill.

It is illegal for **NON-VILLAGE RESIDENTS** to leave or discard any article or items (including yard waste) or allow any article or item under his or her control, to be deposited at the Village of Hortonville's yard waste drop-off site. If any **NON-VILLAGE RESIDENT** is caught depositing anything at the Village of Hortonville yard waste site, they will receive a fine and/or summons. The Village may dispose of the waste or waste material itself at the expense of that person found illegally disposing the waste.

PENALTY. Any person who shall violate the above provision shall be subject to a penalty as provided in the Hortonville Municipal Code.

SNOW SEASON PARKING

From November 15th of each year until April 1st of the following year, no person shall park any vehicle except an emergency vehicle between 3:00 a.m. until 6:00 a.m. of any day on any street including State Highway 15 in the Village unless permission is granted by the Hortonville Police Department.

In instances where the Village has declared a snow emergency, vehicles will be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense. If you have an emergency parking consideration, please call the Hortonville Police Department at 779-6165 with your request.

FORECLOSURES AND UNATTENDED PROPERTIES

If you are vacating a property for an extended period of time or know of a vacated property, please notify the Village Water Utility at 779-6011 ext. 1.

Hortonville Water and Sewer Utility would like to be informed of any vacancies so that the water service can be turned off at the street. This will help minimize any property damage in the event any interior piping should freeze and burst.



GOING AWAY FROM YOUR HOME THIS WINTER?

If you are planning a vacation this winter or will be gone from your home for an extended period, you may want to contact the Village office regarding trickling your water to avoid service interruption due to a frozen service lateral. When you are away from your home the water is not moving through the lateral thereby becoming more susceptible to freezing.

FIRE HYDRANT ACCESS

The Village appreciates residents' efforts in keeping the hydrants cleared of snow during the winter months. THANK YOU!!!



ICE BUILDUP ON SIDEWALKS

Property owners are reminded that they are responsible for the shoveling and deicing of sidewalks bordering their properties within 24 hours of a completed snowfall. Now is the time to think about preventing ice buildup on the sidewalk in front of your residence. The melting and freezing of water that ponds on the sidewalk can be prevented with a little maintenance. By using an edger in the Fall and cutting back the grass that grows over the edge of the sidewalk, the water has a chance to flow off the sidewalk before freezing. The terrace area between the sidewalk and curb may also need some attention if it has built up over the years with dirt and doesn't allow the water to flow towards the curb and gutter. Remember, it is the resident's responsibility to keep the sidewalks free of snow and ice and with a little maintenance now a troublesome sidewalk can be avoided in the winter.

Also, Village ordinance prohibits the plowing or dumping of snow on any public street, alley, public property.



CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

AT THE CURB

Weather permitting, Christmas trees will be collected at curbside on:

Thursday - January 5th Thursday - January 12th

Residents should **place their trees on the curb by 8:00 a.m.** on these dates so the trees do not get buried in the snowbanks during plowing activities.

Also, if these dates do not work out for residents remember the Village does have a drop off area at the compost site near the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 521 W. Cedar Street.

Outagamie County HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS

Residents are encouraged to dispose of household hazardous wastes, by appointment only, at hazardous waste collections held at Outagamie County Recycling & Solid Waste's satellite location at 3414 N. French Rd., Appleton.

Appointments are required for ALL collection dates!

Online at www.RecycleMoreOutagamie.org or call 920-832-5277. All collections run from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 12th Saturday, October 15th

If residents are unable to attend a scheduled collection date and time, Outagamie County residents may utilize the Brown County permanent facility with an appointment. Call (920) 492-4950.



Hello! Black Otter Lake District, or BOLD. is proud to announce Sean Kuske as the new president and chairman of BOLD. Sean has background a environmental water quality through Fox Valley Technical College and is proud to try to make this lake a better place for the residents of Hortonville. Sean was nominated at the annual meeting on August 22nd through an anonymous vote. Sean also works for the Village of the water/wastewater Hortonville as operator.

Others on the BOLD board are Pat Lund-Moe, Judy Williams, Meg O'Brien and Dan Nejedlo as the county representative.

The purpose of BOLD is to take care of the lake in an environmentally safe way to ensure its use by the residents of Hortonville for recreational activities. UPDATE- the harvester is in the process of getting fixed and will be back in the hands of BOLD by spring of 2023 and ready for cutting for the 2023 season.

DROP BOXES ARE AVAILABLE

When the Administration Office is closed, use one of the drop boxes to make a payment or return rental keys.

- One drop box located in the circle drive in front of the building
- One drop box located in the hallway close to the Police Department (envelopes are provided)

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



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Jeanne Bellile - 740-2204

Board of Trustees

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 378-2575

 Jack Kuhnke
 810-8089

 Pat Lund-Moe
 450-9661

 Jim Moeller
 418-5870

 Peter Olk
 660-5603

 Shauna Strelow
 915-5054

Administrator

Nathan Treadwell - 779-6011

Clerk-Treasurer

Jane Booth - 779-6011

Chief of Police

Kris Brownson - 779-6165

Public Works Director

Kray Brown - 779-6011

Library Director

Allie Krause - 779-4279

Fire Chief

Dave Dorn - 419-7872

Building Inspector

Paul Hanlon - 878-0024

Municipal Court - 779-9542

1st and 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 6PM Norbert Dallman, Municipal Judge

Village Administration Office 779-6011 Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday - 7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.