

Village Voice

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Opera House

There have been a few questions about what is going on at the Opera House lately so we wanted to clear some things up.

The Village is in negotiation with Hortonville Alliance Church to lease out the facility in a long term recurring contract. This would mean they are taking on maintenance, water & sewer, electric and other costs associated with the Opera House. They would also pay the Village rent during this time as well, which would turn a net negative to a net positive.

Hortonville Alliance has told us that the two groups that are currently in the building, the American Legion and Hortonville Historical Society, would still be able use the facility. The Historical Society will be moving some of their historical items to the Municipal Services Center to put in the display cases that Hortonville Alliance donated to the Village. If you have any questions please call the Village Administrator.



Village employee Libby Ashauer has announced her retirement! She has been working as the Account/Payroll Clerk and will be retiring in May of this year. Libby just celebrated her five year anniversary working here at the Village.

We plan on having a celebration some time in early May. Please come by the Administration Office when that date is announced to wish Libby a happy retirement! We will miss you Libby – thank you!



Director of Public Works Carl Mc Cray has announced his retirement! Carl will be retiring in October of this year. We feel very lucky to have had Carl as our co-worker for the past 25 years! We all wish Carl a happy and much deserved retirement!

Carl started working for the Village in 1996, working in the Public Works Department. For the last 11 years, he has been working as the Director of Public Works. We will have a retirement cake for Carl when we get closer to October. Feel free to stop by when that date is announced to wish him well in his retirement. You will be missed Carl – thank you!!



Village Administrator Nathan Treadwell

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the residents of Hortonville. I officially started with the Village on July 9th of 2018, and was officially promoted to Village Administrator as of January 1, 2021. The Village is starting to look at long term planning for parks, roads and development.

Before Hortonville, I spent 6 months as an intern to the Town Administrator in the Town of Rib Mountain. Prior to working in Rib Mountain, I was completing my degree at the University of Stevens Point in Political Science.

On a personal side, as a native to Appleton and graduate from Appleton North High School, I have been familiar with the Village of Hortonville for a long time. My wife attended Hortonville High School and we have a one and a half year old son. As a family we are looking forward to being able to get outside and participate in some activities this spring.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out. I will always make time for Hortonville residents.

Thank you, Nathan Treadwell



Need Space for a Gathering?

The Community Center in the new Municipal Building is available for rent. Call or stop in at the administration office to make a reservation.

There are 13 rectangular tables and 120 chairs available for use. The kitchen is equipped with a refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher, coffee pots, dinnerware, silverware and serving supplies.



Welcome Lauren Prochnow!!

You may have noticed a new face in the Village Administration Office. Lauren Prochnow joined us in February as the Office Assistant/Deputy Clerk-Treasurer.

Please stop to say hello to Lauren at our reception window. Lauren comes to us with an extensive background in customer service, having previously worked for the Village of Oakfield.

Lauren has already learned quite a bit about the Village office routine. She can help you rent Village parks and facilities, take your water and sewer or other payments, and answer questions you may have. She provides much needed help with the phones, walk-in customers, and office tasks.

We are very pleased to have Lauren on board!



Village of Hortonville - Utility Operator Intern

SALARY: \$10.00 to \$12.00 Hourly DOQ

EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES: Assist Village staff in performing activities for the proper operation and maintenance of the wastewater treatment facility, collection system, lift stations, wells, GIS, water tower, distribution system, and occasional park/forestry maintenance.

TYPICAL QUALIFICATIONS: High school diploma or equivalent is required. Must be 18 years of age with a valid driver's license and excellent driving record. Preference will be given to students currently enrolled in a water/wastewater/environmental studies program.

Complete job listing and application can be found on our website www.hortonvillewi.org. Please email the general application along with resume to Ryan St. John at wntp@vohortonville.com.



From the Police Department

Greetings! As we wrap up another long winter, we will be putting away the snowblowers and boots in favor of bicycles and walking shoes. We'd like to remind drivers to be extra mindful around intersections and pedestrian crossings. Vehicle and pedestrian traffic are especially heavy before and after school. Please do your part to help keep everyone safe.

For those of you who enjoy walking your dogs, be advised the village has an ordinance requiring the proper disposal of dog waste. A pet waste disposal station is located at the Nash Street entrance to the community center. Thank you for keeping our sidewalks and village streets clean!

The Hortonville Police Department provides vacation watch services when requested. If you plan to be out of town for any length of time, call to be put on our list. Officers will check on your property in your absence to ensure nothing looks out of place.

Lastly, this past year has been rough for all of us. National events have made the career field of law enforcement a difficult one at times. We'd like to thank all of you who have shown your support. Your words and gestures of gratitude offer encouragement and remind us why we love what we do. We appreciate you too!



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.



CURBSIDE YARD WASTE AND BRUSH DISPOSAL

Have materials at the curb by **8:00 a.m.**

Residents must use biodegradable bags that can be purchased from area retail stores.

Curbside pickup for leaves and yard waste:

Monday April 12th	Tuesday April 13th
Monday April 19th	Tuesday April 20th
Monday April 26th	Tuesday April 27th

Curbside pickup for bundled brush:

Bundled brush must be no more than 3 inches in diameter, no greater than 4 feet in length and weigh no more than 50 lbs. in order to be picked up.

Thursdays: April 15th, April 22nd, and April 29th



Free Tire Recycling - April 12th-16th Free Tire Recycling - Sept 13th-17th

VILLAGE RESIDENTS ONLY - This program is for residential use only - NO BUSINESSES. Tires that are 18" or less will be accepted (rims are okay). The limit is four (4) tires per household.

Please drop tires off at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 521 W. Cedar Street. There will be a designated area at the treatment plant for drop-off between 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday and on Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



Black Otter Lake

Clean Up Day - May 1st

Black Otter Lake is a tremendous asset in our community. More of us are enjoying the water through fishing, canoeing, kayaking, or finding some solitude along the shore. We are excited to announce that this year, for the first time, Black Otter Lake is one of 60 sites for the Fox-Wolf Watershed Clean-up on Saturday, May 1st from 9 a.m. - noon. This annual FWWA cleanup "aims to build a sense of community and increase understanding of the environmental stewardship necessary to improve water quality in our region".

You can sign up to volunteer by going to the Fox-Wolf Water Alliance registration at: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/20wcle/>. By signing up and participating, you will receive a free t-shirt and supplies needed for the clean-up. It will also be best to wear shoes or boots and pants that will stand up to wet and dirty conditions!

Our efforts will be focused along the shore, as well as on the lake in kayaks or canoes. If you plan to assist on the lake in a canoe or kayak, you will be required to wear a PFD (personal floatation device/life jacket) per the participation agreement and for your own safety. Our own clean-up did not take place last year due to COVID, so we're planning on a busy day! We hope you will consider joining us for the clean-up on May 1st. As the year progresses beyond the clean-up, we can all do our part by taking care of our lake and shoreline by picking up our garbage, and maybe take a bag to grab someone else's that has been left behind!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2021 Electronics Recycling Event
SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2021

Hortonville Municipal Building
531 N. Nash Street
8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Last year we collected 9,745 lbs. of recycled items. Small electronics, TVs, CPUs, freon/non-freon appliances, electronics and printers. Items are recycled in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and Local regulations and will not be landfilled.



Village-Wide Rummage Sales

Saturday, May 8, 2021

Saturday, August 14, 2021

To place your ad, fill out and mail in the special form that you can find in upcoming issues of the New London Buyers' Guide OR call the New London office at 920-982-2511 for more information or to place your ad over the phone. You can also drop your ad off at the New London office, 301 S. Pearl Street. They do accept Credit/Debit Card payments over the phone. All costs and revenues are handled by the Buyer's Guide.

Please feel free to pick up maps at the Hortonville Municipal Services Center, 531 N. Nash Street on Friday May 7th and Friday August 13th.

NOTE: Garage sales, yard sales and similar merchandise sales may be held no more than twice per year at any residence and for a total of not more than 6 days in that year. The sales shall be conducted between 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and last no longer than 4 consecutive days.



Memorial Day Observance

Monday, May 31, 2021 - 9:30 a.m.

Join the American Legion in remembering those who have lost their lives and served our country in the United States Armed Forces.

A memorial service will be held on the Hortonville High School football field (inclement weather location will be in the Hortonville High School auditorium) starting at 9:30 a.m. After the service, a parade from the high school to Veterans Memorial Park (on East Main Street) will commence. There will be a short service at the site of the Veteran's Memorial.



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.

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.



GRASS CUTTING

Per Village Ordinance 26-26, it is the responsibility of the property owner to keep the grass cut the entire grass cutting season.

Failure to keep the grass cut may result in a fine.

GRASS CLIPPINGS

When you are mowing or mulching grass, or blowing or raking up leaves, please keep them out of the street. Grass clippings and leaves flow down the gutter during a rain and eventually plug catch basins. You will receive a fine if you are found to have blown grass or leaves into the street.



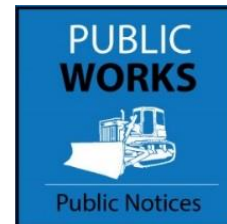
Helping Hands of Hortonville provides transportation for residents for appointments, shopping, and other needs.

With the support of volunteer drivers, Helping Hands of Hortonville is now an entity of the Village that will help with the transportation needs of Villagers and residents of the surrounding townships.

If you are 55 years or older or disabled and are without means of transportation, we are here to help. Reserve your ride at least 24 hours in advance for daytime trips Monday-Thursday, and Friday morning appointments by calling the Village office at 779-6011.

NO FEE required, but donations are accepted, with amounts suggested.

More information can be found on the Village web page www.hortonvillewi.org as well as on Facebook.



OLK STREET WATER & SEWER MAIN REHAB PROJECT

Village contractors will begin the much needed replacement of the water and sewer mains along the 200 block of Olk St., in front of the Hortonville High School. Crews will start at the N. Nash St. intersection, then continue working south down Olk St. until they reach the intersection with E. Cedar St. A section of water and sewer main will also be replaced in the intersection of E. Cedar St. and Olk. This project is scheduled to begin approximately June 1 and will be completed before the start of the new school year. Olk St. will only be open to local traffic as conditions allow, and parking will be restricted during the construction period. For further information, please contact the Director of Public Works at 779-6011.

During construction projects, it may be necessary to partially or completely close streets to vehicular traffic due to safety concerns. Street parking may be temporarily restricted along the affected streets.



May 11-14, 2021
September 14-17, 2021

Hydrants are flushed twice a year in order to provide our customers with the best water quality possible.

Tuesday: All areas NORTH of Main Street, State Highway 15, to the Village limits.

Wednesday: All areas SOUTH of Main Street, State Highway 15, to the Village limits.

Thursday-Friday: All areas that may be incomplete from the previous days.

If you notice employees flushing in your area, **do not run water until they have left the area.** If you notice discolored cold water in your home, do not run any hot water until your cold water is clear. If you notice discolored hot water, you should flush your water heater. There is a connection for a garden hose on the bottom of most water heaters to clean any build up from the hot water tank.

Flushing ensures proper operation of hydrants and also removes loose scale accumulation from inside the water mains. Slightly discolored water may appear in your home. This does not mean your water is unsafe to drink. If discolored water continues to be a problem, please call Superintendent OIC Ryan St. John at 779-4086.



POOL FILLING CREDIT

Upon request by water and sewer utility customers, a seasonal sewer credit based on the number of gallons above two thousand (2,000) gallons will be issued for a residential customer swimming pool. The customer must notify the utility of the number of gallons the pool holds or a before and after meter reading to receive the seasonal credit.



SAVE THE DATE – Sept. 11, 2021

Annual Event: Consider joining us for this annual September event! It is available to kids and adults, and spectators are invited to join in the fun by cheering their family and friends through the course!

All are invited to join in the fun!

Please join us at 8:40 a.m. for the Kids' Run with a 5K Run/Walk to follow at 9:00 a.m. The Dash Down Nash 5K Run/Walk will help raise funds for recreational space at our new church property. We would love for everyone in the community to be able to enjoy this space so the event will help us make that happen. Please stay for some food and fun after the race!

Packet pick-up: Come by Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Academy (126 N. Pine Street, Hortonville, WI 54944) on Friday, September 10th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. or on the morning of the race, September 11th from 7:30-8:30 a.m., to pick up your race packet of information.

Questions?

Email office@bethlehem-wels.com or call the office at [920-779-6761](tel:920-779-6761).



Hortonville Community Blood Drives
Held at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church on the following days in 2021:

June 5th	August 28th
October 23rd	December 18th
Time: 6:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	

Giving blood is a special way to help others. Transfusions are used to treat a variety of hospital patients, from trauma victims to cancer patients. Every day, patients in area hospitals receive lifesaving blood transfusions, and blood donors help make this possible.

To schedule your donation appointment, call Sally at 779-6689 or log onto www.communityblood.org – sponsor code OU10. Appointments are preferred.



SENIOR NEWS

Happy Spring everyone! In looking back at our article from the fall edition of the Village Voice, it is a bit sad to see how long we have been dealing with this pandemic! Our Senior Activities Committee beginning to meet again, optimistically talking and planning for the future. Hopefully the plans will come to fruition sooner than later. In the meantime, we hope you are doing as well as can be expected and have found ways to get what you need. Please let us know if you have questions so we can help in whatever way we can.

Our potlucks and birthday parties are still on hold for the near future. For those of you who have participated in the Grab n' Go lunches provided by the ADRC, that program will continue at least through June, from what we have been told recently. Feel free to call the Village office at 779-6011 for updates. Until further notice, please call Lisa at 920-740-4648 by Monday noon to reserve your meal pick-up for that Wednesday. It continues to be a seamless drive-thru pick-up at the municipal building. There is no charge for the meals, but you are welcome to make a donation. At this point, there is a waiting list for home-delivered frozen meals, but please keep this in mind for the future for yourself, family members, or neighbors.

Footcare Clinics have been up and running since September at Pinewood Apartments. You do not have to live at Pinewood, all are welcome to participate! Clinics are held the third Tuesday of every other month, with the next clinic set for May 18th from 1-4pm. You must pre-register by contacting Valley VNA at 920-727-5555 to schedule an appointment.

The library opened up for in-person services on Monday, March 22nd. The adult book club will begin to meet in person again the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 in the Community Room. Happy reading!

There are numerous programs being offered through different agencies in on-line formats. We realize that not everyone has access to computers for these opportunities. However, if you do have access, please check out the Outagamie Extension offerings at Outagamie.extension.wisc.edu. Please stay up-to-date with new classes through this website, the library, or Village Facebook.

The Helping Hands of Hortonville transportation program is up and running. If you need a ride, please call the Village office at 779-6011 at least 24 hours ahead of time. Rides are offered Monday-Friday during daytime hours. The one exception is that no trips are scheduled on Friday afternoons. Although there are suggested donation amounts, NO fees are required to use this service. We continue to collaborate with other transportation programs to assure everyone who needs a ride in our Village is able to secure one.

Do not forget this spring's election on April 6th. Refer to information on absentee, early in-person, and all voting options. Rides can be given through the Helping Hands program. Again, if you have questions or concerns, the Village staff will be happy to help you. As our Village grows and plans for the future, rest assured your input is always welcome! Please contact our Senior Activities Committee, a Village board member, or Village staff to offer your thoughts. Enjoy the longer days and warmer weather ahead, it will help us all have a happier outlook for things to come!



Fats, Oils, and Grease (**FOG**) are naturally produced during cooking and baking.

Common sources of **FOG** include: meat fats, lard, shortening, butter, margarine, fatty/greasy food scraps, baked goods and pastries, cream-based sauces, cooking oil, oily salad dressing

YOU CAN HELP!! DO NOT PUT ANY OF THESE ITEMS DOWN THE DRAIN!

By following the guidelines below you may avoid sewer overflows, backups, and costly repairs:

- Pour all cooled cooking fats, oils and grease that will harden (bacon grease, meat drippings) into a waxed food container such as a milk carton or container with a lid and dispose in the garbage.
- Wipe down greasy pots, pans or dishes with a paper towel before washing. Dispose of the paper towel in the garbage.
- Scrape greasy food scraps from pots, pans, and dishes into the garbage, not a garbage disposal.
- Do not wash grease down the drain/garbage disposal.



HORTONVILLE UNION CEMETERY

Spring Cleanup

In order to facilitate cleanup of Union Cemetery, all flower arrangements, real or artificial, needed to be removed from gravesites no later than March 15th. Any unsightly or damaged items that are not removed in a timely manner will be so removed at the discretion of the Village of Hortonville. During this spring cleanup period, an individual who has an anniversary of the death of their loved one may place a floral arrangement, decoration, etc. in their memory next to the headstone or in the trim and stone enclosure. Spring and summer arrangements may be placed after April 15th of each year.

Anyone interested in getting a complete copy of the Rules, Regulations and Policies for the Union Cemetery should come to the Village's Administration Office and pick up a copy. It is also recommended that you check the Village's website, www.hortonvillewi.org, to read these Rules, Regulations and Policies.

COMPOST SITE

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 of Hortonville 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 Sec. 9.17 of the Hortonville Municipal Code.



2021 DOG LICENSES

All dogs kept in the Village needed to be licensed by the end of the day on March 31st. You must purchase a dog license every year.

PETS IN THE VILLAGE

There are 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 residents.

Pets running loose can be impounded and their owner will be responsible for payment of an appropriate fee that is imposed at the time the animal is reclaimed.

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.

SUMP PUMP DISCHARGES

No property owner, renter, lessee or leasor in the Village shall place the end of their sump pump discharge hose or pipe closer than ten feet (10') from the outside edge of the established curb. In the absence of a curb, the end of the discharge apparatus shall not be closer than ten feet (10') from the roadway.

The distance shall be measured in a straight line, regardless of hose or pipe angle, from the end where the water is discharged to the outside edge of the curb or the closest edge of the roadway.

No sump pump discharge shall be directed so as to drain onto a driveway or other device to which the water would drain onto the Village street.

The connection of any private sump pump discharge to the Village's sanitary sewer system is not allowed.

Any property owner, renter, lessee or leasor found to be in violation of Sections 8.09(3) or (4) shall have seventy-two (72) hours from the time of notice to correct said problem or be subject to a fine as set by the governing Board of Village Trustees.

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Office Hours:

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

Friday - 7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.