# Village Voice

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## HALLOWEEN IN HORTONVILLE SUNDAY, 10/27/2024

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 to all children in costume.
- ▶ 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.



### Happy Fall!

Hello BOLD! As summer wraps up I want to give a big shoutout to all the volunteers that have been cutting the lake and making it a better recreational lake for all. Collectively they have put in over 120 hours and have gotten out over 450+ yards of invasive plants. If you see them before the end of the cutting season, please waive, say hello, and thank them for all of their volunteer contributions over the summer.

We are currently undergoing a watershed study which will highlight our entire watershed and help us better understand where our nutrient problem is coming from. This will allow us to focus on these spots in the future and help us slow the rapid entry of nutrient-dense sediment into the lake. With any questions, feel free to contact Sean Kuske at boldchairman@gmail.com.

### From the Police Department

Greetings! As we approach Fall and the beginning of a new school year, we would remind the community of a few things. It is imperative that we are mindful of bus stops, pedestrian crossings, cross guards, and children making their way to school. We want everyone to do their part and ensure safety for all.

Winter parking is valid 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 Main Street (Cty Rd JJ West) in the Village unless permission is granted by the Village Police Department. Please contact the Police Department to request overnight parking.

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

Let's talk about fixing things up for fall and following Village Ordinance: Sec. 26-27. - Junk accumulations, junked vehicles, and similar nuisances.

(a) Definitions. The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Junk means worn out or discarded material of little or no value including, but not limited to, household appliances or parts thereof, tools, discarded building materials or any other **unsightly debris**, **the accumulation of which has an adverse effect upon neighborhood or Village property values**, **health**, **safety, or general welfare**. Prepping your yard and home before winter is an optimal idea, it will help you in the upcoming spring, when all the snow has melted.

Lastly, we want to thank everyone who 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!



### November 5<sup>th</sup> 2024 General Election

Polls will be open from 7:00 am until 8:00 pm, please bring along a valid PHOTO ID.

Check your voter registration at MyVote.wi.gov.

Apply for an absentee ballot at MyVote.wi.gov.

In-Person Absentee Voting will be from October 22, 2024 – November 1, 2024.

Check the Village Facebook page or the Village website for times of In-Person Absentee Voting.



### **2025 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 2025 dog licenses ready to be purchased by mid-December, 2024. 2025 licenses must be purchased by the end of the day on March 31, 2025, 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.



### 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 - 12/24/2024 / Closed - 12/25/2024 Closed - 12/31/2024 / Closed - 1/01/2025

Avoid the hassle and long lines and mail your Property Tax payment to us. Please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you are requesting a receipt. You may also give us your email and we can email you a receipt.

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, 2025. 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 2024.

If you are paying using installments, the second payment is due by July 31, 2025, and <u>cannot be paid at the Village Administration Building</u>.

Please send 2<sup>ND</sup> 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



### UNION CEMETERY Fall Cleanup

All flower arrangements, real or artificial, must be removed no later than October 15<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup>. All Christmas, fall and winter arrangements must be removed no later than March 15<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **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: 10/14 10/21 10/28 Tuesdays: 10/15 10/22 10/29

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: 10/17, 10/24, 10/31

### **AEDs Located in the Village**

Village AEDs (Automatic External Defibrillator) are located at:

- 1. Miller Park (in the women's bathroom)
- 2. Otto-Miller Park (in the concession stand)
- 3. Municipal Services Center (in the hallway close to the police department)
- 4. ALL police vehicles









### Paying a Bill Online

To make a payment online, go to our website at www.hortonvillewi.org and choose **ONLINE PAYMENTS** on the Home screen.

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.

### **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.

### **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.

### 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!!!



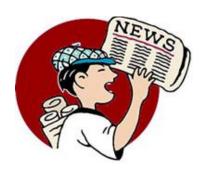
### ICE BUILDUP ON SIDEWALKS

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, or public property.

### **VILLAGE VOICE**

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Nathan Treadwell - 779-6011

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### **Library Director**

Allie Krause - 779-4279

### Fire Chief

Jack Kuhnke - 810-8089

### **Building Inspector**

Paul Hanlon - 878-0024

### Municipal Court - 779-9542

1st and 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 6PM Peter Olk, 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.