

Village Voice

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WINTER 2024



TREE PICK-UP AT THE CURB

Weather permitting, trees will be collected at curbside on:

Thursday - January 9th
Thursday - January 16th

Residents should **place trees on the curb by 8:00 a.m.** 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.

2025 ELECTIONS

The Spring Election will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2025. The Village President along with three Village Trustees will be decided.

If a February Primary is needed, that will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025.

The Polling Place hours are 7:00 am until 8:00 pm.

Want to check your voter registration or apply for an absentee ballot to be mailed to you? Go to myvote.wi.gov.

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 December 1, 2024. 2025 licenses must be purchased by 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.



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.



Thank you to all who attended our 10th Annual Senior Autumn Fest on October 8th! It was a great gathering with friends, good food, and lots of helpful information provided at the resource fair. The panel discussion offered ways to keep ourselves safer in our homes including financial and phone scam, fire and crime prevention, and looking at preventative measures to avoid falls and injuries. We learned that Wisconsin ranks number one nationally in fatalities from falls at home. Let's all continue to work together, providing resources and assistance to keep each other safer at home.

Please reserve Monday December 16th at 4pm for our annual holiday dinner and lights tour! We enjoy this annual event with music, good food, and a car caravan to see the holiday lights. If you would like to join us, please rsvp to Lauren at 920-779-6011 ext. 8 by December 10th.

Let's do some traveling with Rosie Rohm! Rosie is experienced in organizing and guiding some big adventures, as well as some day trips. Our committee is promoting two of her planned trips to Fireside Theater in hopes they will interest you. The first will be to see "West Side Story" Sunday March 16th. The second will be Sunday June 8th for "The Church Basement Ladies in: The Last Potluck Supper". Each trip will cost \$140, which includes: motor coach transportation, brunch buffet, and show. This price is based on a minimum of 35 paid attendees by each deadline. Please sign up and make payment for "West Side Story" by January 30, 2025 and "The Last Potluck Supper" by April 25, 2025. Trips will depart Hortonville by 8:20am and return at approximately 6:30pm. Rosie's contact information: 920-850-4755 (call or text) with checks payable to Rosie Rohm at PO Box 213, Hortonville, WI 54944. See you on the bus!



Our dates for the next few months are as follows:

December 2nd, noon-3pm: Potluck with games
December 9th, 9-10am: Coffee and Conversation: Massage therapist discussing her work and healthy living

December 16th, 4pm: Holiday Party & Lights Tour

January 6th, noon: Potluck—what's ahead in 2025?

January 13th, 9am: Coffee and Conversation: Learn about the State of Wisconsin Board on Aging and Long-Term Care, a state advocacy agency that supports Wisconsin's residents 60 plus.

January 20th, 1pm: Birthday Party and Movie

February 3rd: Tentative field trip or potluck

February 10th, 9am: Coffee and Conversation: Caregiver Coach

February 17th, 1pm: Birthday Party

We collaborate often with the library's activities. Be sure to check out their calendar. There are so many opportunities to learn, have fun, and meet new friends.

The Outagamie County meal site is available each day, with meals served at 11am in the Community Room. If you or someone you know may need home delivered meals, this option is available if requirements are met. Please contact Lisa at 920-740-4648 by noon the day prior to reserve your meal or to request home delivered meals.

Cards are played Tuesdays and Thursdays (except the 4th Thursday) from 11-3 in the Community Room. They are always looking for more players! Our Senior Activities Committee meets each month, the second or third Thursday, at noon in the Community Room. Feel free to join us and bring your lunch. We welcome your new ideas for speakers, activities, and outings.



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.



Halloween 2024

The success of our Halloween program is due to the generosity of many of our friends and neighbors. People donating their time and money for the children – that's what makes this program so special.

To fund this annual event, monetary donations were received from:

Commercial Club
Hortonville Lions Club
American Legion Post 55
Polar Bear Riders Snowmobile Club
American Legion Auxiliary
Village of Hortonville

Hortonville Police Department. Our officers diligently work to protect the Village and all the trick-or-treaters that are out today. Thank you officers!

Village of Hortonville Staff. Candy was purchased by the Village Administrative staff. The annual organization of this event is also handled by your Village staff.

Care Partner Residents.

The residents at Care Partners here in Hortonville volunteered to assemble the gallon bags of candy once again this year – thank you!!

Hortonville-Hortonia Fire Department. The costume parade had an exciting escort through the streets with the help of our volunteer firemen. Thank you!



From the Police Department

Greetings! As we approach the Winter season and the beginning of a new year, we would like to remind the community of a few things. As we prepare for the arrival of snow, you have 24 hours after the end of the snowfall to remove snow from all sidewalks.

We also want to remind the community of parking from November 15th of each year until April 1st of the following year, no person except an emergency vehicle shall park any vehicle between 3:00 am and 6:00 am on any street in the Village. Permission from the Hortonville Police Department is needed to park overnight.

Operating snowmobiles must take place on designated marked trails only. ATV/UTVs can operate on Village streets year around, however, they cannot operate on snowmobile trails. Riding the ditches is not permitted within the Village limits. Contact your local DNR agent for permitted locations.

Lastly, with the holiday season approaching please do not forget that we do take requests for vacation watch. If you are going out of town and would like the Police Department to check on your home while you are away, we will do so.

Please do not forget to keep an eye out for information pertaining to Hometown Holiday!



From Black Otter Lake District

As we approach winter, BOLD is trying to fix the harvester and get everything winterized for next season. The issue we had on the harvester was the chain on the conveyor skipped a tooth and ended up kinking the whole belt up. We are in contact with some harvester companies to get us the right materials so we can get it fixed.

With any questions, feel free to contact Sean Kuske at boldchairman@gmail.com.

FIRE HYDRANT ACCESS

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



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.



PROPERTY TAX BILL INFORMATION

Pay your tax bill online 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 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, 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 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

VILLAGE VOICE

Village of Hortonville
531 N. Nash St., P.O. Box 99
Hortonville, WI 54944-0099

PRSR. STD.
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
HORTONVILLE, WI
PERMIT NO. 16



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Village President

Jeanne Bellile - 740-2204

Board of Trustees

Grace Abitz - 540-8384
Julie Arendt Vanden Heuvel - 378-2575
Bob Jewell - 460-4694
Shauna Keel - 915-5054
Jim Moeller - 418-5870
Jane Olk - 660-4402

Administrator

Nathan Treadwell - 779-6011

Clerk-Treasurer

Jane Booth - 779-6011

Chief of Police

Kris Brownson - 779-6165



Public Works Director

Aaron Steber - 779-6011

Library Director

Allie Krause - 779-4279

Fire Chief

Jack Kuhnke - 810-8089

Building Inspector

Paul Hanlon - 878-0024

Municipal Court - 779-9542

1st Wednesday of the Month at 6PM

Peter Olk, Municipal Judge

Village Administration Office 779-6011

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