2017-2018 Newsletter

Village of Lake Hallie 13136 30th Avenue Lake Hallie, WI 54729

Property Tax Collection Information

Phone: (715) 726-2660

www.lakehallie.us

E-mail: clerktreasurer@lakehallie.us

Regular Business Hours:

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Real Estate <u>1st installment</u> of the taxes are to be mailed to or paid at the Village of Lake Hallie Clerk's Office located at:

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Real Estate **2nd Installment** of the taxes are to be mailed to or paid to the Chippewa County Treasurer's Office located at:

Chippewa County Treasurer 711 North Bridge St. Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 Holiday Hours: Closed: December 25 & 26, 2017



Please remember if you pay cash to bring the **EXACT** amount. We are unable to make change.

Make checks payable to Village of Lake Hallie

Additional Tax information Located on our website at www.lakehallie.us



Important Dates From the Village Clerk's Office

1st Installment of Property Taxes Due 1/31/2018

Dog License Renewal Late Fee Begins 4/1/2018

Liquor License Applications Due 4/15/2018

All other License Applications Due 5/31/2018

Operator Licenses Expire 6/30/2018

2nd Installment of Property Taxes due to County Treasurer 7/31/2018



September 2017 the pedestal of the Lake Hallie water tower was stained white.

Police Department Information

The Lake Hallie Police Department provides 24 hour coverage for the Village. The department will also respond for emergencies into the Town of Hallie. The department is set-up with 1 Police Chief, 2 Sergeants, 1 Corporal, 1 Detective, 4 Full-Time Officers, 8 Part-Time Officers plus 2 Reserves, and 1 Full-Time office Clerk with 1 Part-Time office Clerk. Our staffing allows for 1 patrol officer 7 hours a day and 2 officers 17 hours a day. The Department also handles all Animal Control functions and has a contract with the Eau Claire Humane Association.

The department added a Narcotics and Search dog in October 2014. Our Canine (Kita) was the first in the history of Chippewa County and after her training started working June 1, 2015. Since then she and Sergeant Dan Sokup have been extremely successful with 156 arrests and 9 successful person tracks.

Fire Numbers

It is a requirement that all residences must post/display the fire number.

Section 4.1.06(2) Fire Numbers. (a) The owners of all structures in the Village of Lake Hallie that have been assigned fire numbers shall post and display the assigned fire number, in the manner prescribed by the Village Board. Fine = \$263.00

The County provided the original fire number for free. After that, property owners must purchase their own replacement number if the sign is no longer legible or missing. Russell Bauer of Chippewa County Emergency Management at the Court House is the contact person. He may be contacted at 715-726-7930 or RBauer@co.chippewa.wi.us

Water Conservation Reminder

- Water conservation shall pertain to services connected to the municipal water system.
- Residents whose address ends in an even digit may irrigate on even number days and residents whose address ends in an odd digit may irrigate on odd number days.
- Outdoor irrigation season is from May 1st to September 30th.
- Hours of outdoor irrigation are between 5 a.m.—8 a.m. and 6 p.m.—10 p.m.
- Irrigation on July 31st and August 31st is prohibited.

Water Rate Increase

This is to give you notice that the Village of Lake Hallie Public Works has filed an application on September 5, 2017, with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC), for authority to increase water rates. Rates for general service will increase 3.0 percent. The increase is necessary to reduce the existing deficiency in present rates. The request is being made under Wis. Stat. 196. 193. Rate increases granted under this statue do not require a public hearing. This rate increase will go into effect on January 1, 2018. The rate increase will appear on your first quarter water bill March 31, 2018. If you have any questions please call the Village of Lake Hallie Public Works at (715) 726-2660. The rate schedule can be found on our website at www.lakehallie.us or in the office.

Important Winter Weather Information

The Police Department would like to remind residents that <u>winter parking restrictions</u> are in effect from November 15 to March 31 of each year between the hours of 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. Exceptions to this winter parking restriction may be requested by contacting the Police Department prior to engaging in the prohibited parking. If a weather emergency is declared because of snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice, snow drifts, other weather events, or its after-effects, all parking is prohibited on the roadway and right-of-way.

- Make sure all mailboxes are in good shape and secured properly. The Village is <u>NOT</u> responsible if the snow from the plows knock it down.
- Just a friendly reminder to stay at least 200 feet behind the plow trucks.
- Keep all road right of ways clear to allow for snow removal.
- No parking on the Village roads or ditches (highway right-of-way) from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. between November 15th and March 31st or during snow emergencies.
- Pushing snow across the roadway from private drives or parking lots is prohibited.
- In the Village of Lake Hallie there are 80 miles of roadway to be plowed, we ask for your patience with our road crew in clearing the streets.



Revisions to the Fires & Burning Ordinance

Every year the Chippewa Fire District gets more questions, concerns and complaints regarding the open burning of material in the Village of Lake Hallie. The Village of Lake Hallie passed in September of this year a revised burning ordinance it reads as follows:

SECTION 6.7.04 FIRES AND BURNING

- (1) Open burning. This section shall apply to all persons maintaining any open burning or authorizing the kindling, or maintaining of open burning within the corporate limits of the Village of Lake Hallie. Any person kindling or maintaining any open burning shall take precautions to have the fire under control at any and all times. All fires shall be constantly attended and supervised by a competent person of at least eighteen (18) years of age until the fire is extinguished and is cold.
- (2) Authorized hours of burning. Burning shall be permitted between the hours of 4:00 P.M. to 11:59 P.M. Monday through Friday; and from 7:00 A.M. to 11:59 P.M. on Saturday. *There shall be no burning allowed on Sundays and national Holidays*.

Cooking fires do not have hour or day restrictions providing the wind speed is below 10 miles per hour. These fires must be less than 5' in diameter, the wood used in a cooking fire or campfire shall be sized appropriately for a small camp fire, and the fire shall be confined by a control device or structure such as a barrel, fire ring or fire pit. All other restrictions of this ordinance apply.

- (3) Prohibitions on burning. Outdoor burning shall be prohibited when local circumstances make the fires potentially hazardous or a Burning Ban is in effect. Local circumstances include, but are not limited to thermal inversions, wind speed over 10 miles per hour, ozone alerts, very dry conditions, & the issuance by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources of a "RED FLAG" Day or burning prohibition. Local circumstances shall be determined by the Chief of the Chippewa Fire District or a designee. It is the responsibility of all persons burning to check for a prohibition. There shall be no burning at any commercial site.
- (4)Prohibited material for burning. Prohibited material for burning shall include rubbish, garbage, trash, any material coated with rubber, plastic, leather or petroleum based materials. No such materials that contain flammable or combustible liquids
- (5) Prohibited locations for burning. No person shall burn any material on the asphalt portion of any Village or County roadway. No burning shall take place within 15 feet of a property line or building.
- (6) Permits shall be required for any burning conducted outside the hours outlined in subsection (2). Such open burning shall require the authorization of the Chief of the Chippewa Fire District or a designee. No permits shall be required for outdoor cooking, campfires or burning related to training for the Fire Department.

Please remember to control your fire at all times. Fires that "get away" from the person setting them or fires that are started and left unattended may result in the owner of the property paying for the fire call, receiving a citation or both. If you have questions please feel free to call the Lake Hallie Station of the Chippewa Fire District at 715-723-5488.