# **Chippewa Fire District**

Chief Bernette of the Chippewa Fire District would like to remind residents that in the instance of a fire, firefighters need to be able to quickly locate the fire hydrant or lives and property could be lost. The Fire Prevention Division advises residents and businesses to do the following to help keep their community safe during inclement weather:

Fire hydrants are an important safety feature of any neighborhood. They should be used responsibly and remain unobstructed in the event of a fire. Vehicles should not be parked within 3 feet of a hydrant in any direction. Residents should also ensure there is always 3-feet of clearance directly around a hydrant to ensure accessibility for firefighters in case of an emergency.

Hydrants should remain visible and not blocked as this might delay fire fighters trying to distinguish a fire. If you see a hydrant that might have been tampered with, open, blocked, or damaged, please report the specific location to Village of Lake Hallie at 715-726-2660 or at the Chippewa Fire District at 715-723-5488.

Make sure your address is visible. Fire and Rescue responders need to be able to see house numbers to ensure they are at the correct location. Section 4.1.06(2) Fire Numbers. (a) The owners of all structures in the Village of Lake Hallie that have been assigned a fire number shall post and display the assigned fire number in the manner prescribed by the Village Board. The fine for violating this provision is \$263.00. The original fire numbers are provided by Chippewa County for free, however, property owners must purchase their own replacement if the sign is no longer legible or missing. Please contact Chippewa County Emergency Management at 715.726.7930 for a replacement.

If you have any questions or would like to service your community as a Firefighter or EMT, please feel free to call Chippewa Fire District at 715-723-5488.





13136 30th Avenue Lake Hallie, WI 54729 Phone: (715) 726-2660 www.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.

## **2021-2022 Newsletter**

## **Property Tax Collection Information**

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

Village of Lake Hallie

13136 30th Avenue

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

Chippewa County Treasurer 711 North Bridge Street Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

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

Checks can be made payable to the Village of Lake Hallie.

Additional tax information is located on our website at **www.lakehallie.us** 



Holiday Hours: Closed December 24th & 27th 2021

#### **Important dates from the Village Clerk's Office**

1st Installment Property Taxes Due 1/31/2022
Dog License Renewal Late Fee Assessed 4/01/2022
Liquor License Applications Due 5/11/2022
All Other License Applications Due 5/11/2022
Operator License Expire 6/30/2022
2nd Installment Property Taxes Due 7/31/2022
to County Treasurer

### **Police Department**

The Lake Hallie Police Department provides 24-hour Law Enforcement Protection for the Village and emergency response into the Town of Hallie. The estimated 2020 population for the Village was at 7,121 with 274 businesses. The Police Department handles this task with 10 full time and 6 part time officers. Our staffing allows for 1 patrol officer 7 hours a day and 2 officers 17 hours a day, plus 1 detective 5 days a week. The Department also handles all Animal Control functions and contracts with the Eau Claire Humane Association.

Police Chief Cal Smokowicz retired August 31, 2021 after 12 years with the Village. He had 39 years of total police service at various State, County, and local agencies. He assisted with the training the new Police Chief Edward A. Orgon Jr. who started July 18, 2021. Chief Orgon is originally from Syosset, NY and holds a bachelor's degree Criminal Justice and brings with him over 30 years in public safety experience in local and federal law enforcement.

Please check web page or Police Department Facebook page for more information.

## **Boat Landing Reminder**

Vehicle's parking/using Village of Lake Hallie Boat Landing are required to purchase a Boat Landing pass.

Daily Passes \$3.00 Annual Passes \$20.00

Please note that all annual passes are for a calendar year



All dogs older than 6 months of age must be registered within the Village of Lake Hallie. This license is an annual license that is good for the calendar year.

A \$20.00 late fee per dog will be added if licensed after March 31st

Spayed/Neutered = \$10.00 Not spayed/Not neutered = \$20.00

The maximum number of dogs per residence is 3 with no more than 5 pet's total.

### **Noxious Weed Ordinance**

On July 2, 2018, the Village Board amended Section 8.9.04 Public Nuisances. The amendment reads as follows:

The Village Board finds that lawns, grasses and noxious weeds on lots or parcels of land which exceed eight (8) inches in length adversely affect the public health and safety of individuals as that they tend to pollinate, constitute fire and/or become a safety hazard. Therefore, any lawns, grasses or weeds located within developed areas of the Village is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and shall be the duty of every property owner to mow or cause to be mowed all grasses or weeds exceeding eight (8) inches in height, except for property located in a designated floodplain or wetland area. In addition, where the owner, occupant, or person in charge of the property fail to cut the law, grass, or weeds set forth above, the village may elect to cut said lawn, grass or weeds and shall charge the expense of doing so at the rate charged for service. If not paid, the charges shall be applied on the tax roll as a special tax against said parcel of land, and the same shall be collected in all respects like other taxes upon real estate, or as provided under Sec 66.615 (3) (f) Wisconsin Statutes.

# **Important Winter Weather Information**

The Police Department would like to remind residents that <u>winter parking</u> <u>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 plow knocks 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 patience with our road crew in cleaning the streets.

#### **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 5a.m. 8a.m. and 6p.m. 10p.m.
- Irrigation on July 31st and August 31st is prohibited.