



THE CHIEF'S CORNER MINONG POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Minong Police Department has recently taken multiple reports of Romance Scams. Typically, in this type of scam the victim is contacted online by the suspect, and a relationship is formed quickly. After a short time, the suspect begins to ask for money, often under the guise that the suspect needs money for a ticket to visit them, has a business opportunity, medical expenses, criminal fines or other urgent need.

The suspect will request money via Western Union, prepaid credit cards, bank to bank transfer or simply by asking that the victim mail cash. Victims of these scams are often older, single and live alone. Please be aware for yourself and educate friends and family about online relationships that ask for money.

The FBI recommends the following:

- Research the person's photo and profile using online searches to see if the material has been used elsewhere.
- Go slow and ask lots of questions.
- Beware if the individual seems too perfect or quickly asks you to leave a dating service or Facebook to go "offline."
- Beware if the individual attempts to isolate you from friends and family or requests inappropriate photos or financial information that could later be used to extort you.
- Beware if the individual promises to meet in person but then always comes up with an excuse why he or she can't. If you haven't met the person after a few months, for whatever reason, you have good reason to be suspicious.
- Finally, never send money to anyone you don't know personally.

Thank you! Chief Dennis Stuart

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REMINDER—DOG LICENSES DUE BY APRIL 1ST, 2018

Pursuant to WI Stat/ 174-052, notice is hereby given to all Washburn County dog owners that you are required to license and vaccinate for rabies under the provisions of WI State. 95.21(2), any dog over 5 months of age. The license year is from Jan 1—Dec 31. Dogs not licensed within 30 days of ownership or after 5 months of age will be subject to a late fee of not less than \$5 per dog and will be subject to citation and forfeiture.



- Neutered Male-\$5.00
- Spayed Female-\$5.00
- Male-\$10.00
- Female-\$10.00
- Kennel-\$50.00 (Three dogs or more in a single household)

2018 SPRING ELECTION Below are the results of the 2018 Spring Election on April 3rd, 2018.

Supreme Court State of Wisconsin:

Rebecca Dallet

District 1 Supervisor (County):

Jerry Smith

Village of Minong Trustee:

**Andy Podratz (Registered
write in)**

**Karen Baker (On Ballot)
Lloyd Wallace (Elector-write
in)**

Northwood School Board:

Max Ericson Sr.

Referendum: Elimination of the State Treasurer's position

The Wisconsin Treasurer is an elected executive position in the WI state government. The treasurer

is the state's chief banker and responsible for sitting on the Board of Commissioners of Public Lands, providing services to promote the unclaimed property program, and making certified copies of deeds, bonds, and documents filed in the treasurer's office. Many of those duties of the office have been transferred to the WI Department of Administration, leaving primarily the Board position of Public Lands. The Referendum called to eliminate the treasurer position and transfer the treasurer's one remaining constitutional duty to the Lieutenant Governor. A yes vote would have eliminated the position and a no vote would keep the position. 61.4% of WI voters elected to keep the position of State Treasurer.



Water and Sewer Rate Increase for 2018

In review of the cost of maintenance for the water and sewer system, the Village Board has come to the decision to raise the water and sewer rates. Water rates will increase a total of 3% over current rates. Sewer rates received a \$0.50 across the board increase with the exception of industrial BOD's. Sewer rates will increase by \$0.50 each year for the next four years beginning in 2018 with a review each year to determine if further increases will be needed. Please be sure to review the back of your January water/sewer bill for the new rate information.

NOTICE VILLAGE OF MINONG - PAST DUE WATER/SEWER BILLS

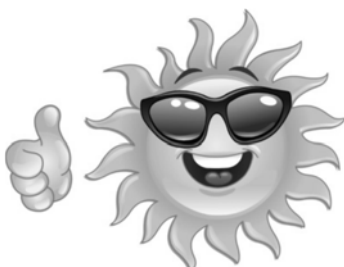
All past due water/sewer bills must be paid by May 21st, 2018 or your service will be shut off. To regain service, you must pay a \$25 reconnect fee and your entire past due balance in full.

If you cannot pay your entire past due balance, payment arrangements can be made, but you must come in to the village office to sign a payment agreement, pay the most outstanding balance and make payment arrangements for any current charges due. If the payment agreement is not honored; your water service will be turned off and you will be charged a reconnect fee of \$25.

2018 Minong Summer Days "Salute to the Military" June 29th, 30th and July 1st, 2018

We have a weekend full of great events planned including one of the area's best carnivals, Stipe Shows Inc. with 13 rides, games and lots of fun! Softball tournament, 3 day Flea Market, Car show, Parade, Live music from 2nd Time Around Band, Larry's Drifters and the D-boys! Be sure to follow this event as we continue to add even more fun to the schedule!

For more information please contact Tracy at 715-466-1017.



Filling your Pool This Summer?



Please be advised that the Village of Minong will no longer allow residents to call in with their pool fill information.

We will be enforcing our ordinance under section 26-60 Bulk Water: All *bulk water* supplied to fill tank trucks or swimming pools from the *water system* through hydrants or other connections shall be metered. We will require residents to pay a \$40 refundable deposit to pick up a meter before the pool is filled and return the meter once finished so that we can get a more accurate water reading. If you have further questions, please call the village office at: 715-466-2322.

New Village of Minong Jetter Truck

The Village of Minong recently purchased a new jetter truck to better keep our sewer and drain lines clean using high pressure water. The Public Works Department has been using a 1985 jetter truck that was purchased back around 2006-2007.

The cost of a new jetter truck can be extremely expensive. The average expense of a new truck would have cost the Village of Minong \$350,000-400,000. However, a bit of research yielded upgrading our 1985 jetter truck to a new/used 1997 jetter truck for \$65,000. The Village was also able to use the old truck as a trade in for \$8,000. That is a considerable savings over the purchase of a brand new jetter truck, leaving the purchase price \$57,000.

The Village of Minong is planning a summer jetting project in certain areas of the village. Please make sure you keep your toilet lids down in your home this summer and be on the lookout for a "big white truck" during the summer months.

