


The Village of Minong Newsletter



Tax Time is Nearly Here! Tax statements are typically sent out by December 20th of each year and can be paid immediately or by December 31st. All first half taxes or payments of taxes in full are due by January 31st, 2021. Please refer to the address on your tax payment stub before sending your payment in or bringing them to the Village Office. We cannot give out change from escrow checks paid by your mortgage loan servicer. Separate checks for utility payments and dog licenses are required. As always, free to give us a call at: 715-466-2322 if you have questions.

ELECTION 2020

The November 3rd, 2020 General Election is

Almost Here!

It is very important that you make sure you are current to vote in the Village of Minong, and that you have the proper identification to vote. Those forms include: Wisconsin Driver's License; Wisconsin State ID; Wisconsin State or Driver ID receipt if you have just renewed your state or driver license; U.S. Passport Book or Card; University/College ID; U.S. Uniformed Service ID; Tribal ID; and Certification of Naturalization.

The Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles now provides a Photo ID free of charge for those who do not have a Photo ID. Please visit myvote.wi.gov to register or confirm that you are registered to vote.

Make this Halloween memorable for reasons other than COVID-19!

The Village of Minong passed Resolution #0601-20, adopting the Washburn County Health Department Guidance for COVID-19. The County Health Guidance is that door to door trick-or-treating is a high risk activity. However, the Village Board, at their Regular Board Meeting on October 5th, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. made the decision that the residents of the Village of Minong can choose to have trick-or-treaters come at their own discretion and at their own risk. The Village requests that if you choose not to engage in Halloween trick-or-treating this year, please leave your outside light off signaling to kids and their parents that they are to bypass your house on October 31st, 2020 from approximately 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Village Board has also sent out flyers with County recommendations and Village recommendations should citizens choose to participate in trick-or-treating, or indoor or outdoor Halloween celebration activities.



DOG LICENSES DUE BY APRIL 1ST, 2021

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



WINTER IS COMING.....

SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE

This is a friendly reminder to property owners of their responsibility to keep their sidewalks free of snow and ice per Village Ordinance Sec 30-57, pertaining to the maintenance of sidewalks. Any owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot which fronts upon or adjoins any sidewalk shall keep the sidewalk bare of snow and ice. The resident is not permitted to shovel the excess snow into the street.

Removal shall take place within 48 hours from the time the snow ceases to accumulate on the sidewalk. The cost of snow and ice removal shall be charged to the parcel or owner of the lot at the rate set forth by the village board. Fines of up to \$100.00 per violation. Please visit villageofminong.org and click on the Ordinances link for more detailed information.

Running Your Water

Winter is approaching fast and the Public Work's department and the Village Office are aware of the concerns for some residents who need to run their water to prevent their pipes from freezing.

Our Public Work's department monitors the weather regularly. If you are required to run your water, you will be notified by the Village Office. Your utility account will be credited once you have been notified again by our office that running your water, is no longer necessary.

If you, as the Village resident, choose to run your water on your own, you will be responsible for the excess water usage and no credit will be applied.



SIGN ORDINANCE REMINDER

During this very politically charged time, the Village Board would like to remind residents that signs **are not allowed on public rights-of-way.** (Example photo above).

Per Village Ordinance Section 13-1-88 par. (e): Signs on public rights-of-way. Signs shall not be permitted on public rights-of-way except for traffic control, parking and directional signs and otherwise specified in this chapter. (Please go to villageofminong.org and click on the ordinances link for more detail).

Further, Sec. 13-1-89 par. (a): Temporary Sign Limitations states that all temporary signs such as real estate, construction site and political signs shall be removed within ten days after their use has discontinued.

Violations of this ordinance may result in the village board bringing action to abate the nuisance in the manner set forth in the Wisconsin State Statutes. According to Sec. 86.19 Wis. Statutes, fines for yard sign violations range from \$10-\$100 per sign. Subsequent violations could be charged a fine up to \$500.00.

Chickens in the Village



The Village of Minong Board is working on the development of a Chicken Ordinance for those that would like to have chickens in the Village. Currently, our Village Ordinances prohibits having chickens in the Village. The board is exploring the options of allowing residents to have egg-laying chickens only. Please stay tuned for updates and ordinance changes regarding chickens!

Have a Safe and Happy Halloween & Thanksgiving!