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# VILLAGE OF COHOCTON

## NEWSLETTER

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April, 2016



### A note from the Mayor's desk

**Thomas Cox**  
Mayor

Things have been fairly quiet around the Village due to a mild winter. The Village Board worked very hard and just completed the 2016-2017 Budget. It was difficult, but we were able to stay within the State tax cap guidelines. The guidelines only allowed the Village to raise taxes .3905%. This year's budget includes the paving of Rosencrans Street and the remainder of Park Avenue.

There has been a lot of concern lately about the safety of drinking water, especially lead contamination. Our Village water department conducts random household testing, per NYS Department of Health guidelines and we continue to meet all state criteria. For your information, a copy of the annual water quality report is enclosed, and is posted on the Village website.

Also, on a side note, if anyone is interested in becoming an election inspector, please contact the Board of Elections at 607-664-2260.

The annual rabies clinic will be at the Cohocton fire hall on August 6 from 8:30 am to 11:00 am. For more information contact Deb Matthews at (585)384-9501.

### Water Billing

**Katherine M. Wise**  
Village Clerk-Treasurer

Please find enclosed your semi-annual water bill. Payments can be made:

**Online** at [www.villageofcohocton.com](http://www.villageofcohocton.com).

**Drop box at Village Office**

**In person** at 17 South Main Street, Cohocton.

**Or mailed** to the Village of Cohocton,  
PO Box 330, Cohocton, NY 14826.

Village Office Hours are Mon-Fri 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Payment without interest must be received in the Village Office, or postmarked no later than Monday, May 2, 2016. **Payments received May 3, 2016 thru June 2, 2016 must pay the 10% late amount shown on the bill.** All unpaid bills after June 2<sup>nd</sup> will be subject to water shut off.

**\*There will be no extensions granted after the shut off date. You can make payments on your water bill from the time you receive it until the shut off date. No special arrangements need to be made.**

\*Reminder - Village taxes will be mailed out June 1, 2016 and can be paid online

### Brush Pick up

**Leon Sabins**  
Street/Water Supervisor

The Village Maintenance Department will begin brush pick up on Monday, April 18, 2016. They will continue to pick up brush every **third Monday of the month thru September**. Brush must be brought to the curb by 8:00 AM and be broken down into lengths manageable by one person.

Please do not place your brush at the curb before the weekend of the pickup date.

You can also drop your brush off any time, all year long at the Village barn, 66 Maple Avenue.



We encourage Village residents to become more involved with our community. Listed below are dates and times for the Town and Village Boards, as well as some other organizations.

[Town Board meeting](#) – the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Atlanta Court Facility, 19 Main Street, Atlanta.

[Village Board meetings](#) – the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Village office, 17 South Main Street, Cohocton.

[Joint Town/Village Planning Board](#) – the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm, in the Village office, 17 South Main Street, Cohocton.

[Cohocton Volunteer Fire Department](#)- 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the fire hall, 43 Maple Avenue, Cohocton.

[CDC \(Cohocton Developmental Corporation\)](#) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month starting in April at 7:00 pm at the CDC building, 71 Maple Avenue, Cohocton.

[Historical Society](#) – the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 7:00 pm, in the Larrowe House, 15 South Main Street, Cohocton.

### **Community Dinners:**

[Presbyterian Chicken Barbeque](#) – April 9<sup>th</sup> noon - til

[Methodist Church Roast Beef Dinner](#) - April 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm – til

[Fire Department Open House & chicken bbq](#)- April 24<sup>th</sup> 11-2

[St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon](#) - May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the school

[Historical Society chicken barbeque](#) - May 8<sup>th</sup> noon - til

[Memorial Day Services](#) – May 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am at the Veteran's memorial

## **Code Enforcement Officer**

**Chuck Cagle**

*Village of Cohocton Codes Officer*

The warm weather is creeping in and we all want to get out doors and enjoy the fresh air. As spring comes and the snow melts away, it uncovers the remains of fall and winter foliage. This foliage although good for the ground, can become unsightly and a blight situation.

### **New York State Property Maintenance – (NYSPM) Section 302 EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREAS**

**302.1 Sanitation.** All exterior property and premises shall be maintained in a clean, safe and sanitary condition. The occupant shall keep that part of the exterior property which such occupant occupies or controls in a clean and sanitary condition.

**302.4 Weeds.** All premises and immediate exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of 10 inches (254 mm). All noxious weeds shall be prohibited. Weeds shall be defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, other than trees or shrubs provided; however, this term shall not include cultivated flowers and gardens.

As we enjoy the warmer weather and the fresh outdoors, let us take a walk around our properties and determine if there is some spring cleaning that can be done. This helps the community as a whole look good. If anyone spots certain areas of neglect in the Village, please feel free to contact myself or the Village Clerk.

Let's take pride in our community and do some spring time clean up.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Frequently requested phone numbers:**

Village Clerk-585-384-5252

Village Code Enforcement Officer-607-329-7842

Village Barn- 585-384-5345 Emergency number 585-269-9051

Town Clerk 585-534-5100

Assessor's Office-585-534-5100

Town Supervisor-585-534-1000

Dog Warden, Deb Matthews-585-384-9501

Cohocton Police Department (non emergency #-)585-534-5100

Town Highway-585-384-5290