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# VILLAGE OF COHOCTON NEWSLETTER

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April, 2020

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## **A note from the Village Board**

Considering the recent COVID-19 virus outbreak, we realize we have found ourselves living in uncharted, uncertain times. For the safety of our residents, we strongly encourage everyone to follow the recommended CDC guidelines of hand washing, social distancing and practicing good hygiene to help reduce the spread of the virus. Remember to use reputable sources of information to stay up to date. County, State and federal websites are a good place to start, like [ny.gov/coronavirus](http://ny.gov/coronavirus), [SteubenCounty.org](http://SteubenCounty.org) and [CDC.org](http://CDC.org).

Effective Monday, March 16, we have closed the Village Office and Village barn to the public. Village business will continue to be conducted via phone 585-384-5252 and email [Villageofcohocton@gmail.com](mailto:Villageofcohocton@gmail.com). If you have a Street or Water issue, you can contact 585-448-2073.

The Village will also be enforcing our Juvenile Nocturnal Curfew barring unaccompanied minors under the age of 16 from being out in the Village from 10 pm to daylight. We are asking you to bear with us as we try to navigate this crisis. This is a fluid situation that changes day to day. Feel free to reach out to the Village Office, Mayor or any member of the Village Board with any questions or concerns you may have. Working together as a Community we will get through this.

## **Water Billing**

**Katherine M. Wise**

*Village Clerk-Treasurer*

Please find enclosed your semi-annual water bill. In person payments will not be accepted at this time. However, a drop box is available 24/7 for your convenience. Payments can also be made online at [www.villageofcohocton.com](http://www.villageofcohocton.com) or mailed to the Village of Cohocton, PO Box 330, Cohocton, NY 14826

Payment without interest must be received in the Village Office, or postmarked no later than Friday, May 4, 2020. Payments received May 5, 2020 thru June 3, 2020 must pay the 10% late amount shown on the bill. All unpaid bills after June 3 may be subject to water shut off. We will follow the lead for State and Federal guidelines regarding financial hardship.

To ensure you receive your water bill and Village tax bill on time, please inform the Village Clerk of any address changes you may have. You can contact the Village Office at the address above or by phone 585-384-5252.

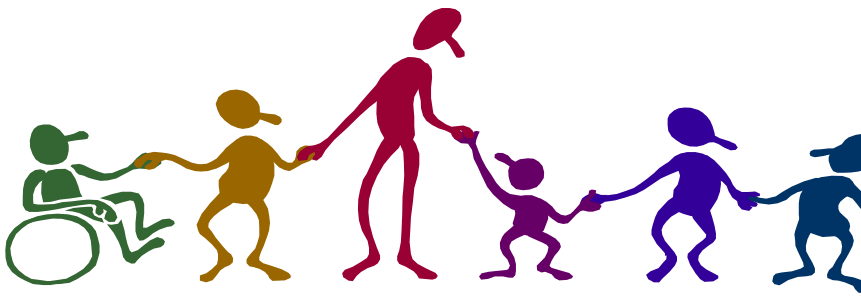
## **Brush Pick up**

The Village Maintenance Department will begin brush pick up on Monday, April 20, 2020. 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 more than three days before the pick-up date.

You can also drop your brush off any time, all year round at the Village barn. **Please be courteous and remember the brush pile is for brush only and is NOT a garbage dump.**

**Please report any water leaks to the Village Office.**



We always 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.

**Due to the current COVID-19 outbreak, please call ahead for any restrictions or cancellations.**

[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](#) – 2<sup>nd</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> Wednesday 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.

## Frequently requested phone numbers:

<b>Village Clerk:</b>	<b>585-384-5252</b>
<b>Village Barn:</b>	<b>585-384-5345</b>
<b>Street/Water Dept:</b>	<b>585-448-2073</b>
<b>Code Enforcement Officer:</b>	<b>607-542-2175</b>
<b>Town Offices:</b>	<b>585-534-5100</b>
<b>Dog Warden:</b>	<b>585-384-9501</b>
<b>Police Department (non-emergency #)</b>	<b>585-534-5100</b>
<b>Town Highway:</b>	<b>585-384-5290</b>

## Property Clean up

**Chuck Cagle**

*Village of Cohocton Codes Officer*

The warm weather is creeping in and we all want to get outdoors 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. Please take the time to walk around your property 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 me at (607)542-2175. Not only does it make the neighborhood look better as a whole, but it is also the law.

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.

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

Thank you for your cooperation