

VILLAGE OF COBB TAX NEWSLETTER

December 2019

TAX BILLS

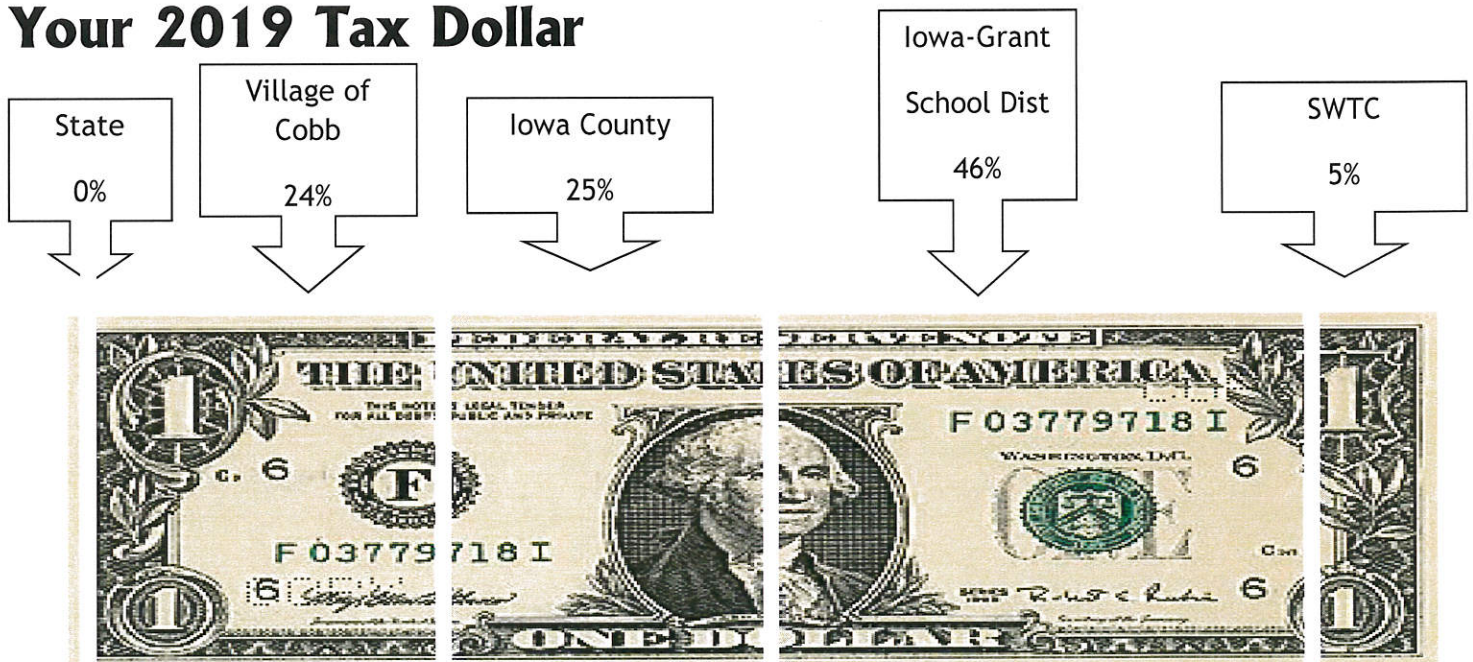
Enclosed are your 2019 Real Estate and/or Personal Property Tax statements. Please take a few minutes to read your tax bill, especially noting the due dates and collection times and locations. The amount of the Lottery Credit is \$223.33 and the First Dollar Credit is \$80.49 for properties located in the Village of Cobb/Iowa-Grant School District this year.

Wisconsin Statute 74.11(12) establishes payment priority so the Personal Property tax bill shall be satisfied first. Any partial payment shall be applied in the following order: 1) personal property tax, 2) special charges -- including delinquent water, sewer, garbage and recycling charges, 3) special assessments 4) special taxes, and 5) real estate taxes.

Please submit the payment coupons at the bottom of the bill with your payment to the appropriate tax collecting location. Your first installment or total amount can be paid to the **Village of Cobb ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2020**. Payments can be made in person, deposited in the drop slot in the door at the Village Office, and via mail until January 31, 2020. If you have escrow funds, please remember to endorse checks which are payable to the homeowner and the Village of Cobb prior to sending payment. **If you choose to pay on the installment plan, the SECOND INSTALLMENT IS DUE BY JULY 31, 2020 AND GOES TO THE IOWA COUNTY TREASURER AT THE COURTHOUSE, 222 N IOWA STREET, STE 101, DODGEVILLE, WI 53533.** Any tax that is delinquent shall begin to accrue interest at the rate of 1% per month beginning February 1; part of the month is treated as a full month. Please be aware that reminder notices are not sent out prior to the July 31st payment deadline.

If you would like a tax receipt, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope along with your payment!

Your 2019 Tax Dollar



TAX ROLL LISTING FOR VILLAGE

Copies of the Village of Cobb tax roll listing are available for pickup at the Village Office and as a PDF document on the Village website at www.villageofcobb.com found under the "Tax Information" tab.

Village of Cobb Village Office Holiday Hours



Monday December 23 rd	8:00-4:30pm
Tuesday-Wednesday December 24 th - 25 th	Closed
Thursday December 26 th & Monday Dec 30 th	8:00-4:30pm
Tuesday December 31 st	8:00-Noon
Wednesday January 1 st	Closed
Thursday January 2 nd	8:00-4:30pm

Starting Monday January 6, 2020 I will be open regular office hours:
Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:30pm

Christmas Tree Pickup

Village Maintenance will be collecting Christmas trees on Thursday December 28, 2019 and Thursday January 2, 2020, weather permitting. Please place your Christmas tree at the curbside for pickup. *Trees must be free of metal tree stands and all ornaments.*



DOG/CAT LICENSES

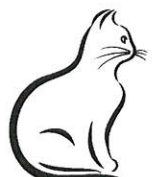
DOG/CAT LICENSES EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31ST OF EACH YEAR . . . The Iowa County Sheriffs Department responds to all calls regarding unlicensed animals and/or any other pet concerns reported. Wisconsin Stats. 174.05 **requires** that all dogs over five (5) months of age be licensed and Village Ordinance **requires** that all cats over five (5) months of age also be licensed.

Village Ordinance also limits the number of dogs owned to 2 per household. A dog/cat license application is enclosed. Please feel free to copy the form, if needed, contact the Village office for additional forms, or forms are also available on the Village website at www.villageofcobb.com. A **current rabies vaccination is required** at the time your license is obtained. Rabies vaccination records for dogs/cats licensed in 2019 are in the computer system. **Vaccination records are only needed if there is an update from last year or if this is a new animal to be licensed.** The cost of a license is \$10.00 for a neutered male/spayed female dog or cat and \$15.00 for an intact male/female dog or cat. A \$5.00 late fee will be assessed to animals not licensed by April 1, 2020.

If you no longer have your dog or cat, please let the Village Office know so we can update our records. Citations will be issued to owners with unlicensed pets. ***A reminder that all dogs and cats are required to be tied or contained in a proper enclosure at all times.*** Animal Ordinances will be enforced and residents violating any animal ordinance will be fined by the Iowa County Sheriff's Department.



Please be a responsible pet owner and remember to keep all animals in your own yard and properly dispose of waste.



Sidewalks



It's that time of year when we have snow and ice. The Village ordinance 6-2-7(a) states that in the event of snow accumulating on sidewalks, the sidewalk shall be cleared of all accumulated snow and/or ice within twenty-four (24) from the time the snow ceases to accumulate on said sidewalk. Please help keep your village safe for everyone and take care of your sidewalk. Thank you!

ADOPT A HYDRANT

Please shovel the snow from all hydrants near your home, and the home of an elderly or disabled neighbor near you. Should a fire unfortunately occur, the delay that would take place while the fire department is seeking to locate a hydrant, remove snow, and hook up hose lines could cause a loss of life and/or property.



Credit Card Payments

You can now pay your taxes and utilities online at www.villageofcobb.com with either a debit (1.15% service fee) or credit card (2.65% service fee)!

Scroll to the bottom of the village website's home page and click on the green GovPayNet box.



Ways to keep current on what is happening in Cobb:

- Sign up to be placed on the village's e-mail list. Just provide the village office with your e-mail address.
- "like" the Village of Cobb on Facebook
- Check out the village's website www.villageofcobb.com

2020 Elections

February 18 – Spring Primary

April 7 – Presidential Preference Primary & Spring Election

August 11 – Partisan Primary

November 3 – General Election

Are you registered to vote?

If not, you may register prior to the elections at the Village Office or online at myvote.wi.gov

Interested in being a poll worker?

Contact Lori at the Village Office for more information! 623-2777 or clerk@villageofcobb.net



*May your holidays be filled with joy and good cheer
and the New Year bring you peace and happiness.*

Cobb Village Board and Employees

December Happenings at Cobb Public Library

December 8 - 14: Holiday Open House

Wednesday, December 11: "CARD MAKING" with Joni for adults 18 and older @ 6:00pm

Thursday, December 12: EUCHRE Card Party @ 1:30pm

Thursday, December 12: MOVIE NIGHT @ 6:30pm

Friday, December 13: "CHRISTMAS CRAFTS" for ages 7 to adults @ 2:30pm

Thursday, December 19: "CHRISTMAS CLASSIC" Morning Movie for adults @ 10:00am

Thursday, December 26: Christmas Break Family Movie @ 10:00am



*Cobb Public Library will be CLOSED
December 24 - 25 - 31 & January 1*

**December is "Thinking of Others" month at the Cobb Public Library.
We will be collecting items for the Iowa County Food Pantry.
Suggested donations: non-perishable food items, personal hygiene items,
paper products, socks for all ages.
Items can be brought to Cobb Public Library, December 1 - December 31.**

Cobb Public Library contact info: 623-2554 - www.cobbplwi.wordpress.com - Facebook

GROWING TOGETHER

The Village of Cobb has authorized a community group to begin raising money to build a **SPLASH PAD** in the village. This would provide a unique growth to our parks system.

The group's mission is to enhance the lives of our residents and visitors by providing safe, well maintained parks and public spaces to strengthen the bond of our community.



Amount raised since
September 2019:
\$11,100

For more information contact: Mary Foley 308 Benson Street 341-7754

Making Our Community A Priority!

2020

GARBAGE

VILLAGE OF COBB

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

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TOWN AND COUNTRY SANITATION-PO BOX 7-BOSCOBEL, WI 53805


608-375-5856

RECYCLING INSTRUCTIONS

ALL RECYCLING BINS MUST BE KEPT INSIDE IN DRY PLACE

ANY SCHEDULED PICK UP DAYS ON A HOLIDAY AND DAYS FOLLOWING A HOLIDAY WILL RUN ONE DAY LATE!

WE WILL NOT PICK UP ANYTHING OVER 35 POUNDS AND YOU CAN
USE UP TO 33 GALLON SIZE GARBAGE BAGS

<p>GLASS ACCEPTABLE: Soda, beer, wine and liquor bottles, juice and food containers, catsup bottles. ALL COLORS RINSE CLEAN UNBROKEN LABELS ON OK!</p> <p>Not acceptable: mirrors, ceramic cups and plates, clay flower pots, crystal, light bulbs, window glass, heat resistant ovenware, drinking glasses</p>	<p>PLASTIC CONTAINERS MUST HAVE RECYCLING SYMBOL</p>  <p>PLASTICS 1 THROUGH 7</p> <p>PLASTIC BAGS ARE NOT RECYCLABLE</p> <p>Items which can be tied together (such as milk cartons) may be placed next to bin. RINSE</p> <p>STYROFOAM IS NOT RECYCLABLE</p>	<p>NEWSPAPER MAGAZINES</p> <p>BUNDLED AND TIED</p> <p>IN A BOX OR CLEAR BAG</p> <p>KEEP DRY</p> <p>MAY BE PLACED NEXT TO BIN</p>
<p>TIN CANS</p> <p>RINSE CLEAN</p> <p>ALSO EMPTIED AEROSOL CANS ARE RECYCLABLE</p> <p>WE DO NOT TAKE PROPANE TANKS IN GARBAGE OR RECYCLING</p>	<p>ALUMINUM</p> <p>ALUMINUM CANS</p> <p>RINSE</p>	<p>OTHERS Corrugated cardboard and boxboard (cereal, pop, etc., must be flattened, bundled and tied, in 3x4 sheets or smaller) OFFICE PAPER (IN SEALED CLEAR BAG)</p>

NOTICE: HAVE OUT BY 6:00 AM

**TOWN AND COUNTRY SANITATION WILL NO LONGER EMPTY 55 GALLON DRUMS
ALL CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL WILL NEED TO HAVE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS
MADE FOR PICK UP=AS OF MAY 1 WE WILL NO LONGER ACCEPT USED OIL,
HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES OR CAR BATTERIES WITH THE RECYCLING**
Thank You!

**ATTENTION: IF YOU ARE ONE OF OUR NEW ONE-PASS RECYCLING TOTES
CUSTOMERS PLEASE PLACE RECYCLABLES LOOSE IN TOTE. PLEASE
CONTINUE TO BAG LOOSE PAPERS AND BREAK DOWN YOUR CARDBOARD TO
SET INTO TOTE. THANK YOU**

Cross Connection Information Provided by Wisconsin Rural Water Assoc.

What is a Cross Connection?

A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between the safe drinking water (potable) supply and a source of contamination or pollution. State plumbing codes require approved backflow prevention methods to be installed at every point of potable water connection and use. Cross-Connections must be properly protected or eliminated.

How does contamination occur?

When you turn on your faucet, you expect the water to be as safe as when it left the treatment plant. However, certain hydraulic conditions left unprotected within your plumbing system may allow hazardous substances to contaminate your own drinking water or even the public water supply.

Water normally flows in one direction. However, under certain conditions, water can actually flow backwards; this is known as Backflow. There are two situations that can cause water to flow backward: backsiphonage and backpressure.

Backsiphonage

May occur due to a loss of pressure in the municipal water system during a fire fighting emergency, a water main break or system repair. This creates a siphon in your plumbing system which can draw water out of a sink or bucket and back into your water or the public water system.

Backpressure

May be created when a source of pressure (such as a boiler) creates a pressure greater than the pressure supplied from the public water system. This may cause contaminated water to be pushed into your plumbing system through an unprotected cross-connection.

Do...

- Keep the ends of hoses clear of all possible contaminants.
- Make sure dishwashers are installed with a proper "air gap" device.
- Verify and install a simple hose bibb vacuum breaker on all threaded faucets around your home.
- Make sure water treatment devices such as water softeners have the proper "air gap", which is a minimum of one inch above any drain.

Don't...

- Submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, sinks or ponds.
- Use spray attachments without a backflow prevention device.
- Connect waste pipes from water softeners or other treatment systems directly to the sewer or submerged drain pipe. Always be sure there is a one inch "air gap" separation.



In the Bathroom – Toilet Tanks

There are many unapproved toilet tank fill valve products sold at common retailers which do not meet the state plumbing code requirements for backflow prevention.

- Look for the ASSE #1002 Standard symbol on the device and packaging
- Replace any unapproved devices with an ASSE #1002 approved anti siphon ball-cock assembly. Average cost is typically \$12 to \$22 at home improvement stores.

In the Bathroom – Hand Held Shower Fixture

The hand held shower fixture is compliant if:

- When the shower head is hanging freely, it is at least 1" above top of the flood level rim of the tub.
- Complies with ASSE #1014

More Information...

- WI Department of Safety and Professional Services (formerly DOC) www.dsps.wi.gov
- WI Department of Natural Resources www.dnr.wi.gov
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) www.epa.gov
- Cross Connection Control / Backflow Prevention www.hydrodesignsinc.com/wicc.html

2020 DOG/CAT LICENSE FORM

Owner's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

If you own any dogs and/or cats please return the following:

- This form
- Proof of rabies vaccinations (if not on file from last year)
- License fee payable to the Village of Cobb
- Self-addressed envelope (if mailing)

Rabies Shots								
	Name	Color	Breed	Date Given	Date Expired	Vaccine Mfg	Serial #	Vet Clinic
Neutered Male \$10.00								
Male \$15.00								
Spayed Female \$10.00								
Female \$15.00								

Wis. Stats. 174.05 requires the owner of a dog more than five (5) months of age on January 1, of any year, or five (5) months of age within a license year to annually pay the dog license tax and obtain a license. Licenses are issued when the Municipal Clerk receives verification of rabies vaccination. Rabies vaccination is important to promote health, safety and general welfare of animals and the people around them.

Village Ordinance 7-1-18(c)(1) states "No family shall own, harbor, or keep in its possession more than two (2) dogs on any residentially zoned lot without the prior approval of the Village Board except that a litter of pups or a portion of a litter may be kept for not more than eight (8) weeks from birth...

Village Ordinance 93-3 states it shall be unlawful for any person in the Village of Cobb to own, harbor, or keep any cat more than five (5) months of age without complying with the provisions of the Ordinance relating to the listing, licensing, and tagging of the same. Same regulations apply for cats as dogs in the Village of Cobb.

Fines for unlicensed animals will be enforced by the
Iowa County Humane Officer and the Iowa County Sheriff's Department.