# VILLAGE OF COBB TAX NEWSLETTER

December 2020

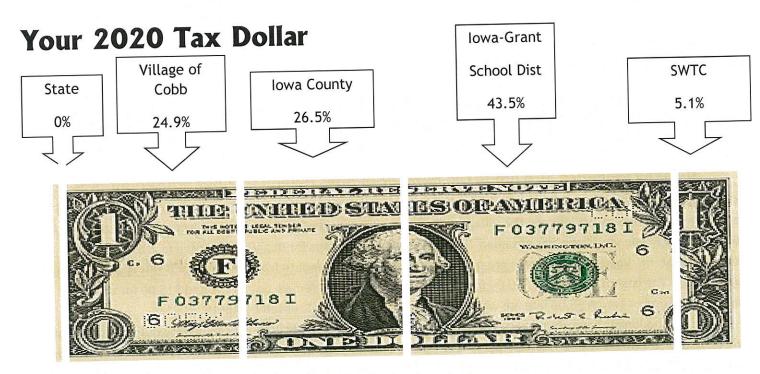
#### TAX BILLS

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 \$175.32 and the First Dollar Credit is \$71.54 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, 2021. Payments can be made in person, deposited in the drop slot in the door at the Village Office, and via mail until January 31, 2021. 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, 2021 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!



## 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-Wednesday December 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> 8:00-4:30pm

Thursday-Friday December 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> Closed

Monday-Wednesday December 26<sup>th</sup>- Dec 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00-4:30pm

Thursday December 31<sup>st</sup> 8:00-Noon

Friday January 1<sup>st</sup> Closed

Starting Monday January 4, 2021 I will be open regular office hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00-4:30pm

# Christmas Tree Pickup

Village Maintenance will be collecting Christmas trees on Monday December 28, 2020 and Monday January 4, 2021, 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 31**<sup>ST</sup> **OF EACH YEAR...** The lowa 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 2020 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, 2021.

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 lowa 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**



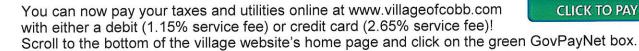
It's that time of year when we have snow and ice. The Village ordinance 6-2-7(a) states that in the event of snow accumulating on sidewalks, the sidewalk shall be cleared of all accumulated snow and/or ice within twenty-four (24) from the time the snow ceases to accumulate on said sidewalk. Please help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





#### 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

#### UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE COBB PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

However, "Curbside Pickup" is still available "Curbside Pickup" Directions:

~ Call Cobb Public Library, @ 623-2554 or email <u>lgard@swls.org</u> to place an order

~ You must have a library card to place an order

~ Please have title, author or subject ready to give when ordering

~ We have books, DVDs and audiobooks for all ages.

Also, we can still order items from other SWLS libraries.

~ "PICK UP" days @ library will be Tuesday & Thursday @ 9:30am - 6:00pm

~ Please know orders can be placed during

#### Cobb Public Library regular hours and days:

Mon. 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Tues. 9:30am - 5:30pm

Cobb Public Library DROP BOX is open 24/7

Wed. 4:00pm – 7:00pm Thurs. 9:30am – 5:30pm Sat. 9:30am – 12:30pm

We are sorry for any inconvenience we are causing, but our goal is to keep our staff, patrons and community healthy.

Linda Gard – Cobb Public Library Director



# Village of Cobb Parks and Recreation Splash Pad Update

As the Committee reflects on the year, we are so proud of what we have accomplished in 2020. We

started the year with a very successful spaghetti dinner fundraiser. The spaghetti dinner proved to be the first fundraiser where we were able to connect with other communities that surround us. People came from all around to support and show us they were excited to "GROW TOGETHER!" Unfortunately, shortly after the spaghetti dinner, the Covid19 Pandemic hit the world and we chose to suspend all fundraisers. The Parks and Rec Committee felt it was extremely important to allow everyone time to adjust to new changes from the pandemic. Late summer proved to be a time where many people began to feel comfortable doing things when health guidelines were in place. In August, the 1st Annual Women's Forum was held. Many joined under the big white tent to promote their businesses and network with one another to support each business. This event gave our fundraising efforts a jumpstart for the remainder of the year. We continued with many successful fundraisers including 2 brat stands that included baked goods, chili, soups, and a "Yard Sign Initiative" that connected communities, as well as showing honor and support to our Veterans. We partnered with Betsy's Diner in Highland for a Thanksgiving Pie Sale that was very successful with a total of 37 pies being sold. We continue to plan new fundraisers for the upcoming year. We want to say THANK YOU to all of those who came out to support these fundraisers and those who helped us to make them possible! The committee has also started to come up with small events for our community. A Night of Jack-O-Lanterns at Halloween was a lovely display of pumpkins carved by community members and businesses. We will also be hosting a Holiday Lights Tour on December 19th. Community members can decorate their homes with lights for the holidays and make sure to have your display lit for everyone to enjoy that evening. We encourage everyone to drive or walk through town to experience the magic! Save the date for December 28th, 2020-January 3rd, 2021 Culver's in Dodgeville will be donating \$1 from every order of cheese curd to the splash pad fund! We will continue to update on the splash pad fundraisers and other community events through the COBB NEWS in the Dodgeville Chronicle and on our Facebook page-Village of Cobb Parks and Recreation. To date, we have raised \$24,000.00 of our \$100,000.00 goal. We would like to continue our efforts by asking those who support our project to give a year end donation. Your donation would bring us closer to our goal. We will be using these year-end donations for the excavation, water and drainage pipes, cement, and electrical costs of the project. Once these expenses have been raised, we will then continue fundraising for the spray features for the splash pad. If you would like to give a year end donation, please cut off the bottom portion of this form and send to:

Village of Cobb Parks and Rec C/O Mary Foley 308 Benson St Cobb, WI 53526

Give a <b>GIFT</b> that <i>COUNTS!</i>	
Donor Name:	
Donor Address & Phone:	
Donation Amount: \$	

# Village of Cobb Water / Sewer Department Billing Frequency Changes!

Beginning in 2021 you will be receiving your utility (water/sewer/garbage) bill **MONTHLY** instead of quarterly! Meters will be read on the 1st (approx.) of every month and bills will be due on the 20th of that same month. The first monthly bill will be sent out around February 1st.

#### Monthly Rates will be as follows:

#### Water

#### Monthly Service Charges:

5/8" meter	\$16.55	3" meter	\$77.00
3/4" meter	\$16.55	4" meter	\$122.00
1" meter	\$20.00	6" meter	\$232.00
	\$26.00	8" meter	\$364.00
1 ½" meter	\$31.00	10" meter	\$537.00
2" meter	\$46.00	12" meter	\$712.00

Plus Volume Charges:

First 8,333 gallons used each month:

\$6.60 per 1,000 gallons

Over 8,333 gallons used each month:

\$4.71 per 1,000 gallons

#### Public Fire Protection Charges:

5/8" meter 3/4" meter 1" meter 1 ¼" meter 1 ½" meter 2" meter	\$7.78	3" meter	\$116.00
	\$7.78	4" meter	\$194.00
	\$19.00	6" meter	\$389.00
	\$29.00	8" meter	\$621.00
	\$38.00	10" meter	\$932.00
	\$62.00	12" meter	\$1,243.00

#### Sewer

Monthly Service Charges:

5/8" meter	\$9.56	1 ½" meter	\$49.83
3/4" meter	\$9.56	2" meter	\$75.33
1" meter	\$30.67		

Plus Volume Charges:

First 8,333 gallons used each month: \$3.31 per 1,000 gallons Over 8,333 gallons used each month: \$2.93 per 1,000 gallons

#### Garbage / Recycling

Monthly Service Charges:

Residential \$14.67 Business (dumpster) \$34.83

#### Save Time and Money with Electronic Bill Payment...It's Free!

All water customers are encouraged to take advantage of our electronic bill payment service which allows bills to be electronically paid from any checking or savings account for **FREE**.

#### How does it work?

Complete the enrollment form below, detach, and return it to the village office with a voided check. We will continue to mail your monthly bill for you to review the previous payment and the current payment amount.

#### When will my bill be paid?

On the due date shown on your monthly bill (generally the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month), the amount due will be automatically be deducted from your checking or savings account provided.

#### How do I stop or change checking/savings account?

You can cancel this option at any time in writing. You will need to submit a new form if you need to change your account information that the payment is being withdrawn from.

#### APPLICATION FOR AUTOMATIC PAYMENTS

Complete this agreement and mail it along with a VOIDED CHECK if using a checking account.

I authorize the financial institution named below to charge my utility bill to the Village of Cobb.	account as noted and remit payment of my quarterly
Checking Account Number	Routing Number
Savings Account Number	Utility Account Number
Name on Village of Cobb Water/Sewer Bill (please print)	Authorized Signature
Address for Above Customer (please print)	Phone Number
Financial Institution Name (please print)	 Name of Bank Account Holder (please print)

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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

# GLASS ACCEPTABLE:

Soda, beer, wine and liquor bottles, juice and food containers, catsup bottles.

ALL COLORS

RINSE CLEAN UNBROKEN LABELS ON OK!

Not acceptable: mirrors, ceramic cups and plates, clay flower pots, crystal, light bulbs, window glass, heat resistant ovenware, drinking glasses

PLASTIC CONTAINERS MUST HAVE RECYCLING SYMBOL



PLASTICS 1 THROUGH 7

PLASTIC BAGS ARE NOT RECYCLABLE

Items which can be tied together (such as milk cartons) may be placed next to bin.

NEWSPAPER MAGAZINES

**BUNDLED AND TIED** 

IN A BOX OR CLEAR BAG

KEEP DRY

MAY BE PLACED NEXT TO BIN

STYROFOAM IS NOT RECYCLABLE

**RINSE** 

TIN CANS

RINSE CLEAN

ALSO
EMPTIED AEROSOL
CANS ARE
RECYCLABLE

WE DO NOT TAKE PROPANE TANKS IN GARBAGE OR RECYCLING **ALUMINUM** 

**ALUMINUM CANS** 

**RINSE** 

**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)

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 TOTER CUSTOMERS PLEASE PLACE RECYCLABLES LOOSE IN TOTER.PLEASE CONTINUE TO BAG LOOSE PAPERS AND BREAK DOWN YOUR CARDBOARD TO SET INTO TOTER. THANK YOU