GREETINGS FROM OUR VILLAGE PRESIDENT, MICHAEL VANDEN BERG

In early October Little Chute had the honor of being visited by Burgemeester Henk Hellegers of Uden and wife. In true Little Chute fashion, they toured various parts of the Village followed up with a dinner and a social.

Prior to the social, we met in the board room to have a conversation about how local government is conducted in our respective countries. Some things are very similar, and some are very different. For instance, the Burgemeester is appointed (the appointment officially is done by the king) and not elected. Their council members have a party affiliation where our board is nonpartisan. In Holland they have numerous parties, contrary to our 2 party system in the United States. At one point he looked at the Little Chutes board members names and stated he has a Peerenboom and Van Lankvelt on his council.

The Village has completed the arduous process of creating and approving a budget for 2020. The good news we were able to fund many of our priority projects and keep the tax rate reasonable. The tax rate will be $7.60 per $1000 of assessed value for 2020. This is up 8 cents from 2019. This means that Villages portion of your tax bill on a home assessed for $150,000.00 will go up $12. I would like to thank the staff and board for their hard work.

Finally, to everyone, have a safe and enjoyable holiday season. Merry Christmas!
FROM OUR LEADERS

2020 BUDGET MESSAGE FROM JAMES FENLON, VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

The 2020 Village Budget adopted by the Village Board on November 13th, 2019 is a balanced budget with a property tax levy totaling $5,118,087. This tax levy represents a 0.48% increase compared to the previous year’s tax levy, or an increase of $24,652. The assessed value tax rate for 2020 for the Village is set at $7.60, which is an increase of $0.08, or an increase of 1%. The average assessed value for all homes in the Village of Little Chute is approximately $150,000. The total tax on an average $150,000 assessed value home, if located within the Little Chute School District, would be as follows:

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Located in the Little Chute School District (before Lottery Credit and First Dollar Credit).

As you can see, the tax bill on an average home in the Little Chute School District will approximately remain the same as last year. Another important aspect to note is that the Village of Little Chute’s portion is 30% of the total tax rate. To illustrate where your tax dollars go in the Village of Little Chute in a different format, see insert on right:

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

2020 WAGES AND BENEFITS
The budget included a two percent (2%) increase in wages for non-represented Village employees for 2020. Non-represented Village employees will continue to pay approximately 12% of the premium cost for health insurance in 2020. For our sworn officers who are part of the Fox Valley Metro Professional Police Association, we are currently negotiating a successor contract to the current agreement.

PERSONNEL CHANGES
There were three new part-time positions included within the 2020 budget. The first is the addition of a part-time lawn mower to assist in the maintenance of public spaces. The two other positions are community support officer (CSO) positions within Fox Valley Metro Police Department (FVMPD). The two positions will be able to assist officers with various types of calls.

VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE LEVY ALLOCATION
An analysis of municipal levy allocation for 2020.
To the right we illustrate how the tax levy is allocated to various functions in the Village of Little Chute. Total property tax levy in 2020 is $5,118,087.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT: This accounts for expenditures for all administrative functions. In addition, the departments of finance, public works, parks, recreation and forestry and the Little Chute Fire Department are funded in this account: Total allocation of $935,600 or 18% of total levy.

DEBT SERVICE: This accounts for expenditures for general obligation debt that is covered by the tax levy: Total allocation of $1,005,125 or 20% of total levy.

CAPITAL PROJECTS: (Capital, Parks, Fleet, Facilities, Fire Equip): This accounts for expenditures for maintenance, repair, or upgrade expenses of capital assets such as facility upgrades and equipment purchases: Total allocation of $557,207 or 11% of total levy.

FOX VALLEY METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT: This accounts for expenditures for costs associated with police services: Total allocation of $2,085,641 or 41% of total levy allocation.

AQUATICS: This accounts for expenditures related to operation of the Doyle Park Pool facility: Total allocation of $109,394 or 2% of total levy.

LIBRARY: This accounts for expenditures related to the operation of the Little Chute Library: Total allocation of $425,120 or 8% of total levy allocation.
DEBT
The 2020 total budget for debt service is $2,833,719. The tax levy is scheduled to cover $1,005,125 of this debt service payment with the balance being paid by collection of special assessments, TID increment, and utility user fees. The Village’s debt ratio at the end of 2019 is anticipated to be less than 50% of the legal limit. During 2019, the Village issued new general obligation debt to fund a number of larger capital projects. The long term average debt ratio goal the Village Board strives for is to be at or lower than 50% of the legal limit.

INFRASTRUCTURE
The 2020 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) contains resources to reconstruct Carol Lynn Drive and Homewood Court. In addition, we intend to install traffic signals at Evergreen Drive and CTH N along with implementing the Quiet Zone related to the railroad. There are also resources allocated to relay water main on Moasis Drive. Along with necessary equipment related purchases, the Village intends to construct a new stormwater management facility on Vandenbroek Road. The complete Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) can be found here: http://wi-littlechute2.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/5418/2020-2024-Capital-Improvement-Plan

UTILITY RATES
All utility rates will remain the same for 2020. As is the normal process, staff will monitor the utilities from an operational and financial perspective.

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ANNUAL NET TAX RATE (EACH SCHOOL DISTRICT)
2020 BUDGET MESSAGE CONTINUED

and work with the Utility Commission to ensure the utilities are operating in an efficient and effective manner with rates to maintain that level of effort. New features in the 2020 budget was the inclusion of key metrics for each utility that measure debt coverage, cash on hand, debt to plant, system profit and rate of return. This will greatly assist the Utility Commission, Village Board, and staff as we manage the Village’s three utilities.

SUMMARY AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

2019 was another year of change from a personnel perspective. Early in 2019, we welcomed Lisa Remiker-DeWall as our new Finance Director and she hit the ground running immediately. I would like to specifically thank Lisa for her work in guiding a very effective and efficient process in support of the 2020 Budget. In addition to new personnel, staff executed a number of new projects that will benefit our community for years to come.

In 2019, we resurfaced Park Avenue and constructed a new urban roadway on West Evergreen Drive (French to Holland). The Evergreen Drive improvements will enable future development to occur while providing for adequate transportation accommodations for those new developments. Staff also supported the development of new infrastructure for a residential subdivision on the north side of the community this summer where there are new homes being built as we speak. Special thanks to our staff for their work on these projects and to the residents for their patience during the reconstruction process. In addition to those projects, the Parks team facilitated further development of Creekview Park in the Village North subdivision. Finally, we saw the Fox River Boardwalk gain momentum with the announcement of a number of key grants that will make the project a reality. Great work to all involved on these projects!

I would like to thank and recognize all our team members for the tremendous effort exhibited in 2019. We accomplished a number of great things that will position the Village for even more growth and service related improvements in 2020. On behalf of the Village Board and staff, we are pleased to maintain the high level of Village services you have come to expect and deserve. Should you have any questions on the budget or any matter, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Finally, the Village is always looking for residents to serve on various boards and commissions. If you are interested, we would ask that you check out the website at http://www.littlechutewi.org/60/Citizen-Commissions-and-Committees to determine if you have interest. If so, there is an easy application that can be filled out online. If you have any questions or interest, please don’t hesitate to contact us!

Merry Christmas!

James P. Fenlon
Village Administrator

LITTLE CHUTE WINDMILL

Need a Christmas gift idea? The Little Chute Windmill has the opportunity to place more Commemorative Bricks on their front plaza in 2020. Now is the chance to give your family or someone special a “forever gift” with their own commemorative brick. Email or download a form from the website.

Looking for a special place to hold your Bridal or Baby Shower or other event? Little Chute Windmill has an event room for your group of up to 50 people. Cost is $100.00 and a refundable deposit of $400.00. Call or email for rental information.

The Little Chute Windmill provides an educational opportunity for all ages by celebrating the Dutch heritage of northeast Wisconsin. As a tourist destination, the Windmill helps local businesses thrive and contributes to revitalization of the downtown. LCW is in need of volunteers for the 2020 season. If you are interested in welcoming visitors from around the world to our great community, please consider volunteering!

For room rental, applications or Brick Order Form visit our website at www.littlechutewindmill.org, email us at littlechutewindmill@gmail.com or contact Harriette Janssen at 920-788-2629.

Merry Christmas!
# BOARD/COMMITTEE SCHEDULE 2020

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All boards and commissions meet at 6:00 PM except Library (4:30 PM) & Fire (5:45 PM)

- Regular Board - 1st & 3rd Wed.
- Comm. of the Whole - 2nd & 4th Wed.
- Plan Commission - 2nd Mon.
- Utility Commission - 3rd Tues.
- Library Board - 3rd Tues.
- Joint Police Commission - 2nd Tues./Quarterly
- Fire Commission - 2nd Mon./Quarterly
- Park Plan Commission - 1st Tues./Bi-Monthly
TAX COLLECTION

2019 Tax bills will be mailed in early December

With the exception of our Holiday hours, you may pay your taxes Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM at Village Hall.

Mail payments in full or 1st installment by January 31, 2020 to: Village of Little Chute, 108 W Main, Little Chute, WI 54140.

The last day to pay taxes in person with a 2019 dated receipt is: Tuesday, December 31st 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

Second installments should be made by July 31, 2020 payable to: Outagamie County Treasurer 320 S. Walnut St., Appleton, WI 54911. The Village of Little Chute cannot accept second installment payments.

New for 2020: E-check is now available on the Outagamie County Website. Go to www.outagamie.org and click on “Property Taxes”. The fee for an E-Check is $0.25.

Like prior years you can also pay by debit or credit card but the fee is 2.2% of the amount you are paying.

Bring or mail the 1st installment stub (upper left corner) with your payment. It provides the full payment/1st installment amount. Mailed payments must be postmarked by January 31st, 2020 to be considered timely.

A night deposit box is available under the canopy entrance along the Grand Avenue side of Village Hall. The deposit box is emptied early mornings with receipts posted as of previous day. Payments can be made at BLC Community Bank and Capital Credit Union North Ave location.

Taxpayers are encouraged to pay property taxes by check. If you would like a receipt, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your payment. Alternatively, paid tax information is available on Outagamie County’s website that you may print payment information for your records. Postings are updated daily.

If receiving an escrow check from your mortgage company, the entire payment amount must be applied to your tax bill. If the escrow check exceeds the entire tax amount you will be issued a refund. Cash refunds are limited to $50.00 at Village Hall and if exceeds $50 refund checks are cut weekly.

Please notify us if there is an incorrect mailing address on your tax bill. We will forward your information to the County Treasurer for you. However, if there is an ownership or legal name change that is not reflected on the tax bill, those changes must be recorded by the taxpayer at the County Register of Deeds.

LOTTERY CREDIT FOR PROPERTY TAXES

Residential property owners are eligible for a lottery credit if they meet the following criteria:

- It must be an owner occupied primary residence.
- You must have lived there as of January 1 of the current year.

If you continue to reside in the same owner-occupied residence, and have received the lottery credit previously on your property tax bill, you do not need to take any action.

Those who purchased or built a new home in 2018 and occupied it by January 1, 2019 are responsible to notify the local treasurer (Village Hall) or the county treasurer (Outagamie County Courthouse) certifying their eligibility by signing a Lottery Credit Application. Forms are also available at the Village Hall or Outagamie County Courthouse or online www.revenue.wo.gov/pages/form/lottery-home.aspx.

FIRST DOLLAR CREDIT FOR PROPERTY TAXES

First dollar credit applies to all property (residential, commercial, manufacturing) that has an improvement value printed on the tax bill. The legislation excludes mobile homes and leased property from the distribution. The first dollar credit is evenly applied to both installment payments unlike the lottery credit that is applied only to the first installment.

DOG LICENSING

Dog licenses can be purchased at the Village Hall Finance Department. Per Ordinance, all dogs 5 months or older must be licensed. Please bring the following copies with you:

- Rabies vaccination
- Spayed/Neutering

The fees are $7.00 ($12.00 after April 1st) or if your dog is not spayed/neutered $12.00 ($17.00 after April 1st).
NEW EXTENDED HOURS:
In effort to move toward meeting Wisconsin Library Standards we have extended library hours and added public internet stations.
Our goal is to provide great library service in effort to inspire and support lifelong learning and the love of reading. While we are currently focusing on improving access, collections and programs are constantly reviewed.

Our libraries are now open at 8 am Monday through Friday to better serve you. We will also be open at both locations 9 am – 1 pm on Saturdays year-round. The additional hours were made available in part due to the use of self-service options in the library allowing us to staff differently. Your library staff is arriving at 8 am to open the library, please continue to be patient and understanding as it may take a few moments to ready the library for use.

PROGRAMS:
Our library is now a Connection Café site! This group meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. Connection Cafés are social engagement programs designed to create and replace lost social connections and reduce isolation. Monthly activities include themed reminiscing, art, music, community service projects and intergenerational programs.

Starting in January, be a part of our winter reading program!
In addition to our special events, don’t forget about our monthly story times, movies, 4th Monday Crafts, and monthly author visits starting in 2020!
For full program details, times, and locations visit kimlit.org or our facebook page.
CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL
Little Chute residents/taxpayers
**DO NOT NEED TO CALL IN FOR PICKUP OF CHRISTMAS TREES!**
Please place your tree curbside once all lights, ornaments, garland, and tinsel has been removed. Trees should not be wrapped with tree bags. Mobile home residents should also put out their tree to the street within their mobile home park. Starting in January the village forestry crew will be scheduled as deemed necessary for Christmas tree pickup with the chipper. Please be patient, since they will be chipping a lot of trees within the village. Wreaths or boughs containing metal wiring must be disposed of in your polycart because the chipper cannot chip items with metal.

HEESAKKER PARK ICE SKATING/HOCKEY RINK
The Village will have one ice rink at Heesakker Park as soon as the weather permits. The rink will be lit up by a floodlight next to the rink and it will have a net on one end for people who wish to play hockey. Please be considerate of other skaters at all times since everyone will be sharing one rink for two types of activities! There is NO supervision or warming shelter at the park, so please watch your children! Remember to keep all sticks & stones off the ice, and don’t walk or skate on the rink if the water isn’t completely frozen.

VILLAGE SLEDDING HILLS
Once the winter snow arrives, there are sledding hills at Heesakker Park (access sledding hill from parking lot off Sanitarium Road on south side of park) and Van Lieshout Park (hill located at corner of Florida Ave. & Vandenbroek Rd) for everyone to enjoy.
PARKS & REC HELP WANTED:

YOUTH DANCE INSTRUCTOR
Our department is looking for a qualified individual who can instruct various class offerings (including tumbling and poms) as a Youth Dance Instructor. The position requires instructing dance classes on Thursday evenings for 12 weeks twice a year (Feb-May & Sept-Dec). Each session of classes is followed by a dance revue, which is held on a Saturday/Sunday afternoon. Pay range is $13.15 to $14.49 per hour. If you are interested in this position, please call Donna at 284-3232 by Monday, December 30.

SUMMER PART-TIME APPLICATIONS
If your child is interested in applying for a summer job with the Little Chute Parks, Recreation & Forestry Dept for 2020, please have them pick up an application at the Park & Rec Dept (2nd floor of Village Hall) starting in January or they can download it at littlechutewi.org/recreation. The application is for anyone interested in applying for an opening as a recreation instructor, lifeguard, pool cashier, or parks/forestry/streets laborer. The final deadline for summer part-time applications is Friday, March 6.

LITTLE CHUTE PUBLIC LIBRARY SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY
The Friends of the Library are offering three $500.00 scholarships. Recipients will be awarded on April 21st, 2020. Qualifications for scholarship require a Friends of the Library Sponsor who has attended no less than two Friends of the Library business meetings in the twelve months prior to the March Friends meeting. Either the sponsor or recipient are required to complete 20 hours of verified volunteer service to the libraries. In the spirit of supporting lifelong learning, scholarships must be used for educational purposes however program accreditation is not required.
SNOW & ICE REMINDERS

Parking Restrictions
As a reminder, winter parking regulations begin December 1st-April 1st. During this time vehicles are not permitted to park on the street between the hours of 2:00 am to 6:00 am. Other times of the day when street parking is not regulated please avoid parking next to snow piles to make it easier for the plows to remove the snow.

Depositing Snow On Public Streets Sec. 40-65. Snow and ice removal. (c) Snow and ice not to encroach. No person shall push, shove or in any way deposit any snow or ice from any private driveway, private sidewalk, or private property onto any public street or alley, public or private sidewalk, or public lands dedicated to public use either before or after the public streets have been plowed.

Mailboxes
Residents are responsible for keeping their mailboxes cleared of snow for mail delivery. The Village will not replace a mailbox that is not placed correctly if / when a plow or other street maintenance equipment hits and damages it. The crew is also not responsible for any damages done to a mailbox due to transfer of snow weight.

PRIVATE SNOW REMOVAL

Sidewalks are to be kept clear of snow and ice to a minimum of five feet in width (unless sidewalk is smaller). In the event that ice has formed on any sidewalk in such a manner that it cannot be removed, the owner, occupant or person in charge of the parcel or lot which fronts upon or adjoins said sidewalk shall keep the sidewalk sprinkled with sand and/or salt to permit safe travel.

NO written or verbal notice will be given to violators - it is the responsibility of a property owner of such parcel or lot which fronts upon or abuts any sidewalk to maintain the sidewalk area throughout the snow season. Any snow or ice not cleared within 24 hours from the time the snow ceases to accumulate, may be cleared by the Village and billed to the owner, lessee, or occupant. If you have a concern about a sidewalk call the Department of Public Works, (920) 423-3865.

HOLIDAY REFUSE / RECYCLING SCHEDULE CHANGES

Christmas - Wednesday, December 25, garbage will be picked up on Thursday, December 26.

New Years Day - Wednesday, January 1, garbage will be picked up on Thursday, January 2. Wednesday, January 1, recycling will be picked up Thursday, January 2. And Thursday, January 2, recycling will be picked up Friday, January 3.

IMPORTANT DATE TO REMEMBER

Your LAST Garbage Collection Day of the Calendar Month of January, April, July and October: pickup of large metal items on your regular day of collection.

Your LAST Garbage Collection Day of the Calendar Month: pickup of large non-metal items on your regular day of collection.

LAST week of December on Your LAST Garbage Collection Day of the Calendar Month: pickup of “extra” bagged garbage on your regular day of collection.
CONTACT US!

Administrative Offices 108 W. Main St. 788-7380
Fox Valley Metro Police 200 W. McKinley Ave. 788-7505
Parks, Rec & Forestry 108 W. Main St. 423-3869
Public Works 108 W. Main St. 423-3865
Gerard H. Van Hoof Library 625 Grand Ave 788-7825
Water Plant 625 Evergreen 788-7522
Water Emergency 788-7526
Water Bill Payments 108 W. Main St. 423-3854
Fire Non-Emergency 788-7399

HOLIDAY HOURS
All Village Offices Closed
DECEMBER 24
DECEMBER 25
JANUARY 1

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