

# Village of Chatham, NY

## SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2022

**TAX TIME:** Tax bills will be mailed out by end of May. The last day to pay taxes will be on July 1, 2022 without penalty.

**WATER BILL:** A few reminders:

- You can pay your water bill online at [www.villageofchatham.com](http://www.villageofchatham.com). On the Homepage, click on the blue outlined Pay Your Water & Sewer Bill Online box. This option is only available via desktop computer. The website is not currently optimized for hand-held devices.
- If you notice that your water bill is higher than normal, you may have a running toilets. One way to test is to simply add a few drops of food coloring to the toilet tank. Wait an hour or two without using the toilet at all, then check the water in the bowl. If the food coloring has seeped into the bowl, a running toilet may be the cause.
- Keeping a photographic record could be helpful.
- At most hardware stores, you can find Garden Hose Water Flow meters which can be attached to your garden hose. The meter records the amount of water flowing through the hose. This water does not enter the sewer and can be deducted from the cost of your sewer bill. Simply submit a photo of the meter reading or bring the meter itself to the Village Clerk's Office. Please remember to reset the meter after each submission.
- Please consider adding a phone number and an email contact in the space provided on your water bill. Thank you to those of you who already provided this information!

**CHATHAM AREA SILENT PANTRY:** The Chatham Area Silent Pantry is seeking volunteers to do home deliveries in the Chatham area. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact them at (515) 392-7794 or via email at [chathamsilentpantry@gmail.com](mailto:chathamsilentpantry@gmail.com). The Chatham Area Silent Pantry is located at the Tracy Memorial Village Hall at 77 Main Street, Chatham, NY 12037, and is open:

- Monday 10am-12pm
- Tuesday 10am-12pm
- Thursday 4pm-6pm
- Friday 10am-12pm

Please visit their website at [www.chathamsilentpantry.org](http://www.chathamsilentpantry.org).

**EMAIL/PHONE NUMBER REQUEST:** The Village Clerk's office is requesting your assistance in our efforts to communicate important information in a timely manner. We are requesting either your email address or a phone number to contact you in the event of an emergency. We strongly encourage you to sign up for the Village email list for important notifications regarding water leaks or water main breaks; a snow emergency requiring parking

restrictions; office closings; changes in trash pick-up; and Village news. Most of these items are posted on the website ([www.villageofchatham.com](http://www.villageofchatham.com)) (where you can sign up for or email list) or on Facebook [www.facebook.com/VillageofChathamNY](http://www.facebook.com/VillageofChathamNY) for your information if you prefer not to provide this information.

**NEW RESIDENT INFORMATION:** There are several new residents in the Village of Chatham. We would like to welcome you to the Village. We are available at the Tracy Memorial Building at 77 Main Street for questions or concerns.

- Desiree Kelleher, Village Clerk (518) 392-5821 (ext. 2) [dkelleher@villageofchatham.com](mailto:dkelleher@villageofchatham.com)
- Sam Davis, Deputy Village Clerk. (518) 392-5821 (ext. 3) [sdavis@villageofchatham.com](mailto:sdavis@villageofchatham.com)
- Erin Reis, Building Inspector/ Code Enforcement Officer (518) 392-5821 (ext. 4) [ereis@villageofchatham.com](mailto:ereis@villageofchatham.com)

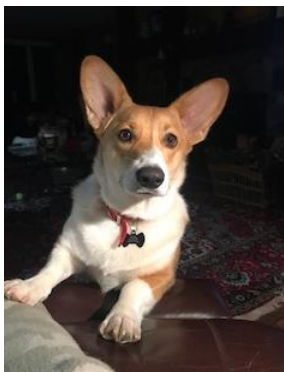
The Village Clerk's Office is open Monday-Thursday 9am-1pm. The Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer's Office is open on Tuesdays from 1pm-3:30pm and on Fridays from 8:30am-3:30pm.

**PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS:** A friendly reminder that warmer weather means that more children and bicyclists will be out and about. Please keep an eye out for them when driving and remember that bicyclists have equal right of way.

**PET CARE:** Remember that Village spaces are public areas. Please clean up anything that your pet may leave behind. It is not only common courtesy, it is Village Law Section 30-14.

**COLUMBIA COUNTY HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY:** Hazardous waste collection will be taking place at 50 Grandinetti Drive, Ghent NY, Sunday, June 5, 2022, 8am-1pm. There is no charge for county residents, but proof of residency will be required. Residents with large quantities must contact the Administrative Office at (515) 828-2737 prior to participating. Go to [www.columbiacounty.com/community-events.html](http://www.columbiacounty.com/community-events.html) for a list of accepted items.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** There will be a Public Hearing for proposed Local Law entitled "A Local Law to Amend the Village Code in Relation to Sidewalks" held on **Monday, June 13, 2022 at 6:45pm** at the Tracy Memorial, 77 Main Street, Chatham, NY. A copy of the proposed law can be viewed by entering the words "sidewalk law" into the search bar on the Village website.



Freddie, Dr. Pepper, Mouse, and Juno say have a great summer!