

# Village of Bay City - FYI

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## Property Tax Payment Notes

Here are some tips on paying your property tax.

- First half of property taxes are due January 31. Second half installment of property taxes is paid to the Pierce County Treasurer.
- Make checks payable to VILLAGE OF BAY CITY.
- Payments can be mailed or dropped at the utility payment box at Handy Mart.
- All payments must be made by check, cashiers check or money order.
- Taxes, dog licenses, invoices and utility payments must be made by separate check. Combined payment checks will be returned, delaying processing of your payments!
- Mortgage companies that requested a copy of the tax bill are marked. If you have 2 parcels but only 1 is marked, your mortgage company only asked for the tax bill that is marked.
- Copies of the tax roll listing are available on the website at [www.baycitywi.org](http://www.baycitywi.org) under *The Village and Forms*.
- All homeowners will be sent a receipt, even if the bill was paid by a mortgage company. If you did not receive a receipt, consider it UNPAID.
- If you have questions, please call 715-594-3168.

## New Parking Ordinances

*Know when you shouldn't park on the street.*

New ordinances regarding parking on village streets have been adopted.

The first, regulates parking on village streets after a 3" snow fall. There is no parking on any village street between 5AM and Noon of the day following a 3 inch or more snow fall. Vehicles parked on the street during this time are subject to towing at the owners expense and possible citations.

The second, regulates the parking of trailers on village streets. The parking of all/any trailers on village streets is limited to 4 hours. If a trailer is parked more than 4 hours it is subject to towing at the owners expense and possible citation.

As a reminder, the village also has an ordinance that prohibits parking more than 48 hours on village streets. Vehicles parked more than 48 hours are also subject to towing at the owner's expense and citation. If you leave town for any vacation or an extended period of time beyond the 48 hours, you should remove all vehicles from the street before leaving.

## Village Board Members

Jim Turvaville, President  
Jerry Enevold, Trustee  
Jesse Hohmann, Trustee  
Jack Celt, Trustee  
Beverly Bach Trustee

## Village Departments

Kay Beder, Clerk/Treasurer/Zoning  
594-3168

Deb Gamble, Public Works  
594-3767

## Where Does the Village's money come from?

*Knowing where the village's money comes from.*

For 2009 the village will work off a total budget of \$270,795.00. The break down for revenue/income is as follows:

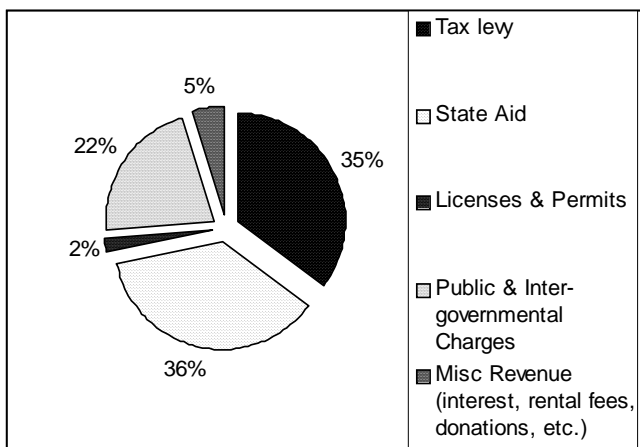
Tax levy \$91,303

State aids \$94,995

Licenses & Permits \$4,905

Public & Intergovernmental Charges (includes camping fees, garbage pickup fees, building rent) \$56,285

Misc Revenue \$12,307



## Removal of Ice and Snow from Sidewalks

Village ordinance requires the removal of ice and snow from all sidewalks on your property within 24 hours of completed rain/snowfall. Fines and penalties for failure to comply are \$259.00 for a citation along with a fee of \$100 an hour for removal.

## Garbage & Recycling

Garbage is picked up on Wednesday of each month. You should have your garbage and recycling out by 6AM on pickup days.

Recycling is now co-mingled. This means that paper and cardboard can go in one container and cans, plastic and glass can be placed in another. All cardboard must be broken down into sheets no larger than 4' x 4'.

Putting recyclables in brown paper bags works best. They will recycle the bag when they pick it up!

## What is the money used for?

Here is what the village expects to pay out in 2009 with the income shown above:

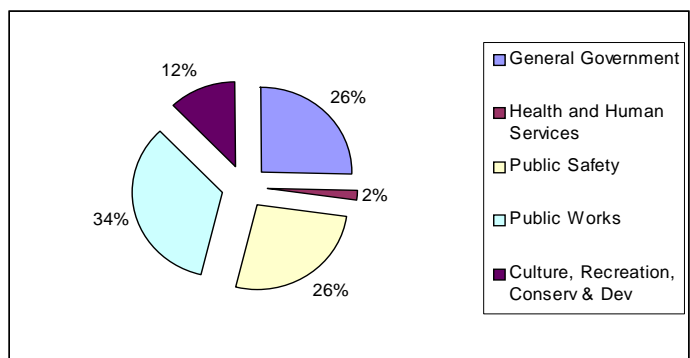
**General Government** - Board member pay, clerk salary, election wages and expenses, payroll taxes and insurance benefits, assessor fees and expenses, health, liability and property insurance \$68,358.

**Public Safety** - Fire protection and hydrant fees paid to the water utility (state mandated) \$70,757.

**Public Works** - Expenses for shop, street lighting, garbage pickup, equipment maintenance and repair, snow plowing and wages for all public works activities \$91,273.

**Health and Human Services** - cemetery upkeep and animal control \$4,100.

**Culture, Recreation, Conservation and Development** - public works wages for hanging flags, holiday lights, Bay City Fest setup, and expenses of the 4 village parks \$32,790.



## BAY CITY FEST

Bay City Fest is set for June 6th. 2009 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Village of Bay City. We are always looking for help with Bay City Fest and lining up new events. If you are interested in helping out with the 2009 Bay City Fest Birthday Bash, call Kay at 594-3168 or sign-up on the website.

## Burning and Compost Facility

The burning and compost facility accepts leaves, brush and unpainted wood. The facility is open by request. If you are a village resident and wish to drop off any of the items listed, please contact Public Works at 594-3767. Be sure to call no later than NOON on Friday if you wish to have the facility opened on the weekend.

## BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits (not applications) must be in hand **before** you begin a project. Decks, sheds, garages all require a building permit, even in the mobile home park. If you are not sure if you need a permit for your project, be sure to call the clerks office at 594-3168. There are times, when a building permit is not required.

You may call the clerk for an application or get one from the Bay City website [www.baycitywi.org](http://www.baycitywi.org) Fill out and return to the clerk with payment. *This should be done at least 2 months prior to start of new home building and 2 weeks prior to the start of all other projects.* Once the clerk has received the completed application with payment, they will fax the application to Galen Seipel, he will issue a permit and mail it to the applicant.

If a permit is **not in hand before** the project begins, the penalty is *double the regular permit fee plus \$10 per day fine plus court costs.*

## Bay City Website

The Bay City Community Enhancement Group hosts a website for Bay City.

Check it out at [www.baycitywi.org](http://www.baycitywi.org).

The CEG sells ads to local businesses to pay for the site and to promote Bay City. If your business is interested in a webpage the cost is \$150 for a year and the CEG will design the site for you. If you already have a website and would like a link to your website placed on our site, the cost is \$75 per year. This is a great way to advertise your business, show what Bay City has to offer and take a business write off at the same time!

If you are interested, please call 594-3168 or email to [info@baycitywi.org](mailto:info@baycitywi.org).

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*We are always looking for pictures for the website. If you have pictures you would like to share, email your information to [info@baycitywi.org](mailto:info@baycitywi.org).*

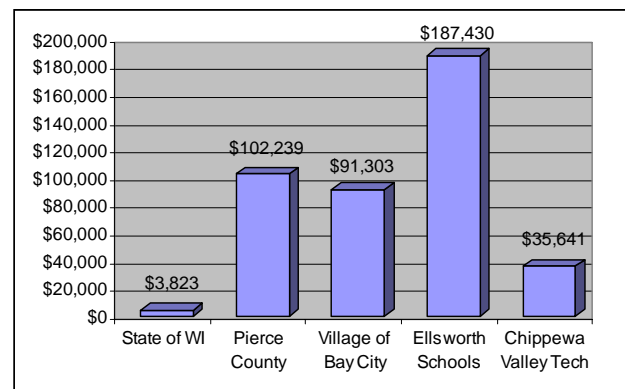
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## Spring Cleanup

Spring cleanup or "dumpster day" is usually in May of each year. Watch for postings of the date which is usually set in March.

## Who Gets My Tax Money?

This is a chart showing how much each entity has levied for 2009.



# Dog Licensing

Licensing is a state requirement. All dogs must be licensed by April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. If you get a puppy, the dog must be licensed once they reach 5 months of age, regardless of the April 1<sup>st</sup> date.

The fine for not licensing your dog is \$50-\$500 per dog from the state and/or \$100-\$800 from the village. The cost for licensing is \$10 - \$15. There is a \$25 late fee per dog, for dogs owned, but not licensed in the time frame outlined above.

State law requires the village to turn names of owners with unlicensed dogs over to the district attorney for prosecuting and may be issued a citation from the village. Dogs are to be kept under immediate control at ALL times. Dogs are not to be "running at large". If you let your dog out and they leave your yard, they are "running at large"!

Dogs that are found running at large will be picked up and taken to a designated shelter at your expense and/or a citation issued for up to \$500 per occurrence.

A form is included below for your convenience.

## CDBG Housing Grants

The Village has a Community Development Block Grant for home repairs and down payments for first time homebuyers. Grants are available based on income qualifications and project. Projects include siding, roofing, removal of lead base paint, furnace upgrade and many more.

For more information contact Kay at 594-3168.



## DOG LICENSE APPLICATION

### DOG LICENSE FEES

**\$10.00** spayed or neutered

**\$15.00** non-spayed or non-neutered

**\$25.00** late fee for each dog owned but not licensed by April 1.

Fill out the following information **COMPLETELY**. You must include **proof of vaccination that shows the rabies tag #**. This can be obtained from your veterinarian. Incomplete forms will be returned.

Name of Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

PO Box \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex:  NON- Neutered Male  Neutered Male

NON-Spayed Female  Spayed Female

Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Vaccinated on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Expires on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Tag# \_\_\_\_\_

Clinic or Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

**DO NOT INCLUDE DOG LICENSE FEE IN YOUR TAX PAYMENT OR UTILITY BILL. PLEASE WRITE A SEPARATE CHECK.**

**Return to: Village of Bay City**

**P.O. Box 9**

**Bay City, WI 54723**