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"Your hometown village newsletter."

Coal Valley welcomes new police officer

SUBMITTED BY CHIEF JACK CHICK- COAL VALLEY POLICE DEPT.



Coal Valley is welcoming their newest police officer. Officer Dayton Tharp was sworn in at the October 7, 2019 at the Village Hall. Officer Tharp has lived his entire life in the Quad Cities and moved into Coal Valley in 2003 with his family.

Dayton graduated from Moline High School, Black Hawk College and Western Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He enjoys baseball and spending time with his friends and family.

Officer Tharp will be attending the Macon County Law Enforcement Training Academy starting January 11 through April 17, 2020 for Basic Training. His parents are both police officers in Rock Island and Moline Police Departments.

CV Home Draws Christmas Media Attention And Helps Feed Homeless

Toney and Steph Genova's Christmas display at 1709 East 3rd Street has been getting media coverage for their elaborate and festive display.

They're also accepting donations for food baskets for the less fortunate.

They'll have applications to receive a gift basket on their new Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ToneySteph-Christmas-Yard-114949753276295/>.

Those applications are accepted through Dec. 18.

The Genova's have put out the donation box for food and toys. Drop-offs can be made at any time. For money donations, please mail a check directly to Toney and Steph Genova's Christmas display at 1709 East 3rd St., Coal Valley, IL 61240.

If someone you know is in need, please write a nomination letter and include their name, address and phone and include

Fire Dept. Helps With Winter coats

On November 9, 2019 Coal Valley Firefighters Organization assisted the children of 3 area families, when they took them shopping for new winter coats, hats, gloves, boots, and snow pants.

Firefighter organization member Shane McKee, said the Kids were very happy with their new winter outerwear, and the guys had fun helping the kids pick things out.

CV Fire visits Pre-school For Fire Prevention Week

During Fire Prevention week October 6th - 12th 2019, members of the Coal Valley Fire and Coal Valley Ambulance, visited Kids Corner pre-school and Bicentennial elementary school on October 11th to talk with the students and teachers about Fire safety.

Everyone learned something about fire safety and had fun doing it!

Rock Island Co. approves property tax increase

Rock Island County Board members voted 12 to 9 Tuesday night to raise the county's portion of property taxes by 8.9 percent in 2020. County Board Member Drue Mielke representing Coal Valley voted against the increase. The 8.9 percent increase translates into an additional \$24 per year on a \$100,000 house.

County Administrator Jim Snider said the increase will help cover the cost of the county's contribution to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, rising Medicare and Social Security costs, and to help cover pending legal settlements.

Rock Island County is the tax collector for all local government and collects about \$260 million dollars each year in property tax revenue. Of that about 12%, or \$30 million dollars goes to Rock Island County.



Genova's Donation Box

your name and phone number and explain why they deserve the nomination.

All food baskets and toys will be delivered Dec 22nd and 23rd. Put nominations in the red Santa mailbox and all nominations are kept confidential! Last day to donate and nominate is Dec 20th.

The story can be viewed online: <https://wqad.com/2019/11/18/coal-valley-couples-christmas-display-grows-again-this-year/>.

A letter from Village Administrator, Annette Ernst

‘Tis the Season – for tax levies!



What Is a Property Tax Levy?

In an effort to help our residents understand this topic, I thought I would share the following information with you as the Village is preparing their levy that will be approved at our November 20, 2019 board meeting.

The true definition of this topic is: "Property tax is the tax liability imposed on homeowners for owning real estate. Just about every municipality enforces property taxes on residents, using the revenue to fund programs and services for the entire community".

The Village Board sets a percentage rate for imposing taxes, called a levy rate, which is then calculated against the assessed value of each homeowner's property according to value that is set by the Township Assessor. The final determination is the individual property tax levy for that resident. Collectively, every resident's tax levy determines the total revenue of the municipality's property tax levy.

What is the function and purpose of a levy?

Property taxes are one of the primary (if not the only) ways for municipalities to raise revenue for community services. The Village uses the proceeds from levying property taxes to fund the law enforcement and personnel wages; to install and maintain our streets, parks and traffic equipment (such as streetlights and road signs); and to pay for trash pickup, snow removal and other services that benefit the community. The Village is only a portion of your total tax levy. The other levying bodies for Rock Island County include, Moline-Coal Valley School District, Metropolitan Airport Authority, Coal Valley Fire Protection District, Blackhawk College, Robert R. Jones Library, Rock Island County Forest Preserve District, Rock Island County, Coal Valley Township, Coal Valley Road and Bridges. Henry County levying bodies include, Orion School District, Colona Township, Blackhawk College, Robert R. Jones Library, Colona Road District, Coal Valley Fire Protection District and Henry County. Please refer to the pie charts included in this article for the individual percentage of each county to see where your tax dollars go.

Why is our levy rate different from communities in similar size?

The levy rates for property taxes can vary significantly among some municipalities to accommodate the unique needs of the individual county. Factors such as the number of residents living in the municipality, the size of the school district, the amount of revenue left over from the previous year and the municipality's revenue from other sources all directly affect the total property tax levy for the area in any given year. In some municipalities, residential voters also directly influence the levy rate variable by voting on which services to offer to the community, increases and/or decreases in funding for specific services or purchases, or both. How does the Village of Coal Valley Calculate Property Tax Levies?

The Village of Coal Valley calculates the total property tax levy for the locale by forecasting the needs of the of Village as a whole for that year, then calculating how large a budget is needed to cover the costs. This amount is then calculated against the total value of all residential properties combined to determine the percentage rate of the property

tax levy. To determine the tax levy for each residence, we then apply the percentage rate to assessed value of the home, which is estimated beforehand by an independent appraiser.

Exemptions

Rock Island County has a web page that is dedicated to outline who is eligible for exemptions, and to not make this article several pages, I would encourage you to visit their website at www.rockislandcounty.org/PropertyTaxRelief/Home for these exemptions. For those of you who reside in

Henry County, please visit their website at www.henrycty.com/Departments/Assessments/Online-Mapping-and-Property-Inquiry.

If you have any questions regarding your property assessment you can contact Winna Pannell, Rock Island County Assessor at (309) 799, 7110, or email at cvasessor@sbcglobal.net. Winna is available at the Coal Valley Township office every Tuesday from 9 am – noon.

For Henry County, please call Tracey Vinavich at 309-937-3570, or email at assessor@henrycty.com. Tracey is available Monday- Friday 8 am – 4:30 pm.

And as always, you can reach me at 309-799-3604, ext. 206, email at arnest@coalvalleyil.org, or Penny Mullen, Finance Director at 309-799-3604, ext. 200, email at pmullen@coalvalleyil.org regarding the Village of Coal Valley tax levy portion.

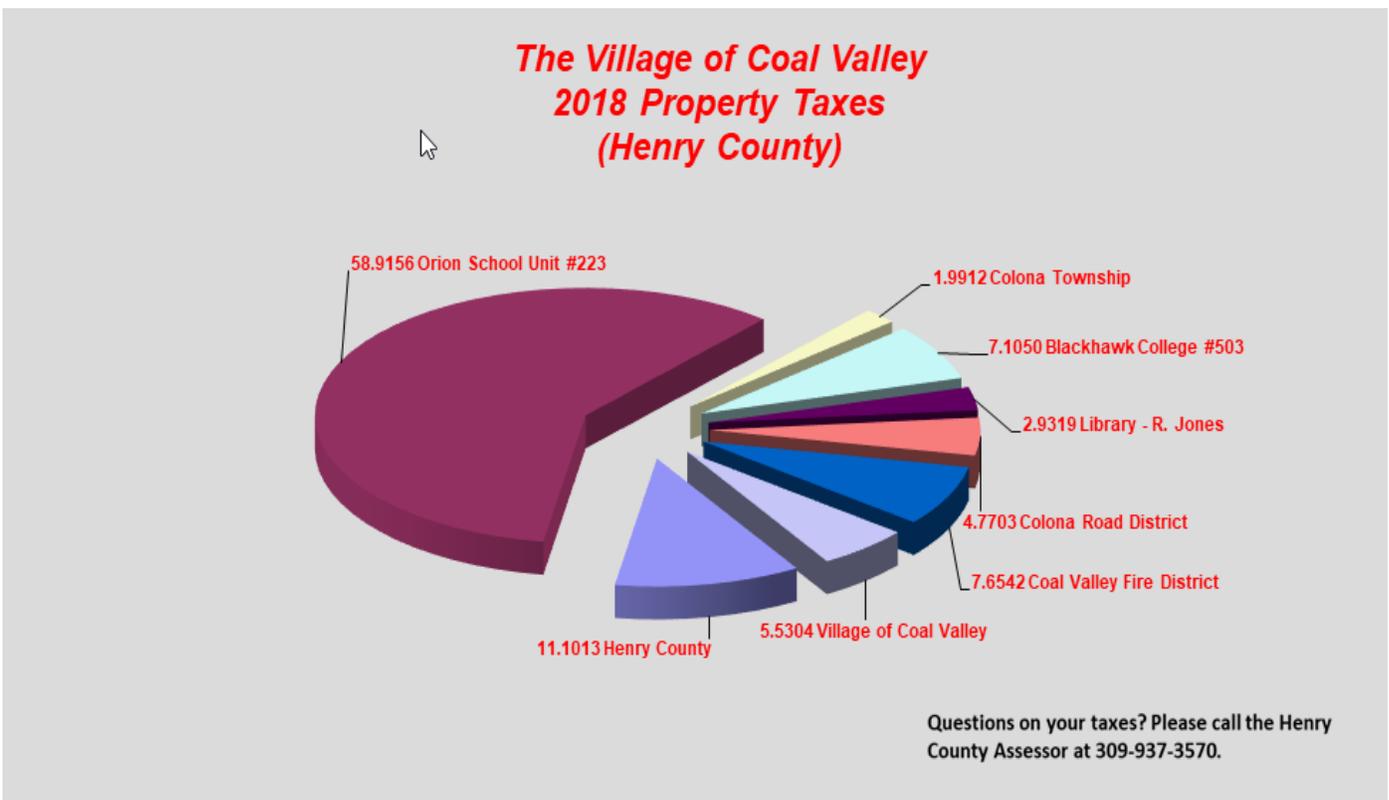
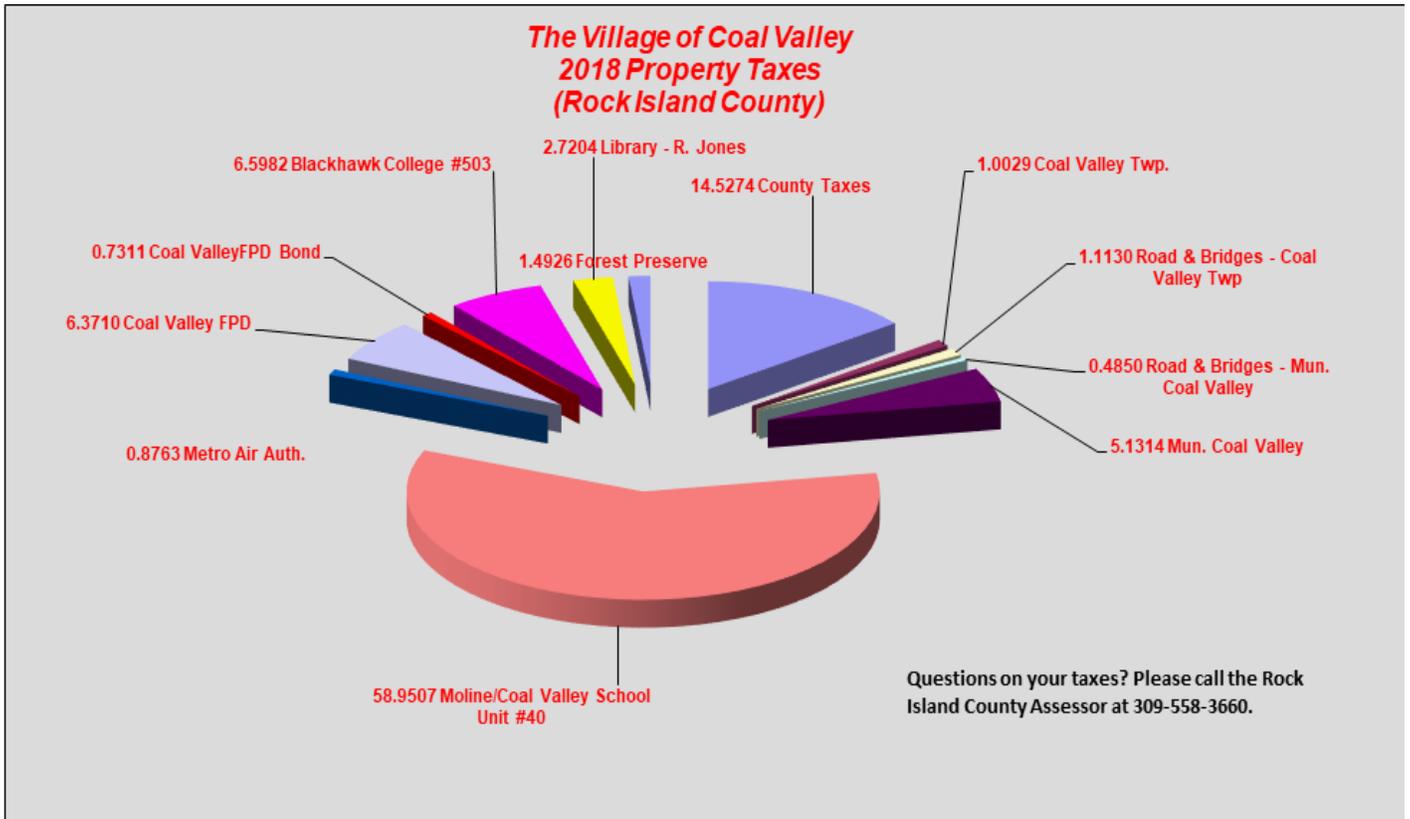
Sincerely,

Annette Ernst



The Coal Valley
Village Hall will
be closed
November 28 &
29 in observance
of Thanksgiving.

Property Tax Breakdown





BURNING

BURNING LEAVES AND OTHER LANDSCAPE WASTE

It shall be lawful to burn dry leaves and/or other dry landscape waste, such as grass, tree limbs, shrub trimmings and other materials accumulated as a result of the care of lawns, shrubbery, vines and trees, in the Village between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Following the foregoing designated burning times, fires resulting from burning leaves and other landscape waste shall be completely extinguished and shall not be allowed to continue to smolder beyond the designated burning time.



ATTENDANCE

Burning of leaves and other landscape waste shall be constantly attended by a competent person until the fire is completely extinguished

DEPOSITING AND BURNING LEAVES, OTHER LANDSCAPE WASTE, AND REFUSE ON VILLAGE RIGHT-OF-WAYS, STREETS, AND SIDEWALKS

It shall be unlawful to deposit and/or burn leaves, landscape waste, or refuse on any Village Right-of-Ways, concrete or asphalt surfaced streets or sidewalks in the Village (See also Section 26, Chapter 1 Streets, Division 1 Streets, Title IX, STREETS, PUBLIC WAYS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY).

LOCATION

Burning of leaves and other landscape waste shall take place only on the premises from which such leaves and other landscape waste was derived.

BURNING REFUSE

It shall be unlawful at any time to burn rubbish or trash, including but not limited to waste paper products and garbage, or waste material from construction, demolition or renovation of buildings.

DISPOSAL

It shall be unlawful at any time to dispose any leaf/yard material into any creek, stream, ravine or street.

PARKING PROHIBITED DURING SNOW REMOVAL

It shall be unlawful for any person to allow a vehicle to remain on any Village Street, Avenue, alley, cul de sac or village parking lot within the Village following a

snowfall occurrence of two inches or more:

Whenever the Village Administrator, Village President, or Chief of Police, perceives an emergency to exist in the Village; or in any section or sections thereof, because of snow, freezing rain, sleet, ice, snowdrifts or other natural phenomena which create hazardous conditions or impede the free movement of fire, police, health, emergency or other vehicular traffic or otherwise endanger the safety and welfare of the public, the Village Administrator, Village President, or Chief of Police may declare an emergency to exist. Primary notification will be made by sending Notification of Snow Emergency to the local media with a request to broadcast the emergency.

Any agent or employee of the village designated to enforce the parking ordinances of the city is hereby authorized to cause any motor vehicle parked in violation of this section to be towed from any street, alley, cul-de-sac, or village parking lot. In such a case, the owner of the vehicle may be assessed the cost of towing and any storage charges in relation thereto, subject to the owner's right of appeal to the Village Administrator, Village President, or Chief of Police.



This ordinance applies to all Village streets and roads, there will be no signs posted about moving vehicles when we have a snow fall of 2 or more inches.

Village reminds parking rules during snow emergencies

The Village of Coal Valley wishes to remind residents of the importance removing snow from sidewalks and proper snow removal from driveways and other areas.

SNOW REMOVAL

All abutting property owners shall be responsible
To remove within a reasonable time from the portion of any public sidewalk abutting said property all snow and ice.
To refrain from putting, pushing, blowing of otherwise depositing any snow removed from a public sidewalk of private property upon any improved public roadway.
For purposes of this Section, "reasonable time" shall mean that snow removal shall be within twenty-four (24) hours after cessation of a snowfall, or, if a snowfall ceases in the nighttime hours, within twenty-four (24) hours after sunrise.

PENALTY.

Any person violating the provisions of this Chapter shall be in accordance with Title I Division V Chapter 1 Section 3 of the Code of Ordinance for the Village of Coal Valley for each offense.

CV Fire Protection District Notes

Dave Dunham, Coal Valley Fire Protection District Fire Chief

submitted by William Head, Assistant Chief

Calls for September 2019

1	Car Fire
3	10-50 (Auto Accidents)
0	Natural Gas/ Downed Power Lines
35	EMS
0	Structure Fire
2	Fire Alarm
0	Cancelled per Rock Island County Dispatch
0	Hazardous Materials
0	Citizen Assist
0	Carbon Monoxide Detectors
0	Fire Prevention
1	Brush Fires
0	Mutual Aid Given- Fire
3	Mutual Aid Given- Ambulance
4	Auto Aid / Colona Fire Prot. Dist.
0	Mutual Aid Received
0	Illegal Burning
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Service Anniversaries

October

Firefighter – Tim Aumuller - 20 Years of service.
Firefighter – Kevin Gladkin - 5 Years of service.

November

Chief – Dave Dunham – 21 Years of service
Firefighter – Paul Sereda - 21 Years of service.
Firefighter – Colin Reid - 6 Years of service.
Firefighter – Jamie Hartman - 4 Years of service.

