

## **Non-Highway Vehicles AND Fireworks**

The Village Board has been approached by several residents with concerns/complaints regarding non-highway vehicles and fireworks. The purpose of this letter is to bring these issues to you (the residents) and ask for your assistance with addressing them.

### **Non-Highway Vehicles**

According to the State of Illinois, non-highway vehicles include: golf carts, all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles and recreational vehicles.

While neighboring communities have ordinances with permits, restrictions and/or fees for these vehicles, currently the village does not have an ordinance in place in an attempt to keep our "small town". That being said, concerns have been brought to the board that include but are not limited to: **stopping at stop signs, obeying speed limits, yielding to cars, trucks, etc., driving on the correct side of the road, too many passengers on a vehicle and operators of vehicles not being of age or licensed.** Even though the village does not have an ordinance in place, there is an Illinois statute that does address most, if not all of these issues. Please visit <https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/fulltext.asp?DocName=062500050K11-1426.1> for the complete statute. Discussions have taken place regarding enforcement and working with residents on non-highway vehicle violations, so please address these issues with your family and friends.

### **Fireworks**

Most of us enjoy fireworks and hopefully all of us appreciate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. However, the discharging and setting off fireworks at any random time has become an issue in the village. There is a village ordinance that prohibits discharging fireworks within the village that carries a violation of \$50.00 up to \$750.00 per violation. For a copy of the ordinance please go to the village website at [chebanseillinois.org](http://chebanseillinois.org) (go to Clerk's Office, Village Codes, Public Safety) or contact the village office.

**\*\*** On another note, if you would like to receive emergency alerts (i.e. boil orders), please contact the village office at 815-697-2214 to let Julie know and provide your email address.

Thank you in advance for working with the village and keeping it a safe and great community!