



Crossroads on the Fox

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Village of North Aurora

June/July 2016

Village President's Report - Dale Berman

Summer is here! North Aurora is again participating with the City of Aurora for the annual 4th of July Celebration. This year's July 4th Celebration will include fun family activities, great local food, live music, and a fantastic fireworks show. Fireworks can be viewed at McCullough Park and River Edge Park in Aurora. For the most up-to-date information on music, schedules and activities, please visit the City of Aurora's website at <https://www.aurora-il.org/events/>



The North Aurora Police will host a Open House & Community Picnic on Sunday, July 10, 2016 from noon until 3:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. Save the date and plan on joining us for a fun afternoon.

North Aurora Days will be held on Friday, August 5 through Sunday, August 7 this year. Be sure to review the enclosed flyer which outlines the various events and activities for the whole family. Be sure to plan on staying for the amazing fireworks display that will be held Saturday evening, August 6th. For further information and current schedule of events, please be sure to visit the North Aurora Days Facebook page and website at www.northauroradays.com.

N.O.A.R.D.A. is once again hosting the Rhythm on the Riverfront concert series this summer, on the 2nd Thursdays of June, July and August from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Riverfront Park behind the Village Hall. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy an evening of music with family and friends. Visit www.noarda.org for more information.

As a reminder, let's all do our part to conserve water this summer! Be sure to follow the Village's ordinance with regard to watering and automatic sprinklers. Water is a precious commodity that we all have a responsibility to preserve and use wisely. I hope everyone enjoys all that we have to offer in North Aurora this summer.

Community Garage Sales

A Village sponsored community-wide garage sale event is planned for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 4 to 6 in conjunction with North Aurora Days. Residents interested in participating in the Community Garage Sale must register to include their address on a *Garage Sale Map*. Registration forms are available at the Village Hall and on the North Aurora Days website at www.northauroradays.com. In order to be included on the Garage Sale Map please submit a completed, signed registration form no later than Friday, July 22, 2016 to the attention of Cindy Torracco at the Village of North Aurora, 25 E. State Street, North Aurora, IL 60542 or by e-mail to: ctorraco@northaurora.org. Registration forms received after this date cannot be included on the map. Garage Sale Maps will be available at the North Aurora Village Hall and on the North Aurora Days website at www.northauroradays.com by July 29. **All registrations forms that are submitted by e-mail will get a response, therefore, please do not assume a form was received by e-mail unless you receive a response from the Village.*

Residential Electric Aggregation and ComEd Rates Update

In May of 2015, the Village of North Aurora solicited bids on behalf of all customers eligible to be part of the residential electric aggregation program. After receipt of bids, the Village entered into a two-year agreement with Dynegy Energy Services with a rate of 7.073 cents per kWh from September, 2015 through September of 2016, and a rate of 6.838 cents per kWh for September 2016 through September 2017. The rates include 100% Renewable Energy Credits (RECs).

However, since May of 2015, pricing of commodities has seen an unprecedented drop over the last year, resulting in many commodities, such as gasoline, seeing decreases of up to 50%. This has also impacted electricity pricing and as a result ComEd's recently released pricing effective June 2016 is less than it was a year ago. For the summer months of June 2016 to September 2016, ComEd's rate was recently announced to be 6.19 cents per kWh and the ComEd rate from October 2016 through May 2017 is 6.308 (subject to change). In addition, ComEd's rates will increase or decrease monthly by up to 0.50 cent per kWh which is also known as the Purchased Electricity Adjustment (PEA). These rates can be found at www.pluginillinois.com.

Given the upcoming decrease in ComEd's rate effective June, 2016, residents who are part of the Village's aggregation with Dynegy Energy Services may want to consider switching back to ComEd in order to reduce the energy portion of the bill. The Village aggregation program with Dynegy has no early termination fee and as such residents can switch back to ComEd by calling Dynegy at (844) 351-7691. While the Village's aggregation program still provides a fixed rate and 100% support of Renewable Energy Credits residents would save more money by switching back to ComEd at this time. Residents should have their ComEd account number ready when they call. The Village intends to solicit pricing again in May of 2017 and residents who switch back to ComEd will automatically be included at that time (with an opt-out option) in the Village's aggregation.

Police Department News and Information

The North Aurora Police Department will be hosting an Open House & Community Picnic on **Sunday, July 10, 2016 from noon until 3:00 p.m.** at our station, 200 S. Lincolnway, to help foster better relationships with members of the community and give them their first view inside the police station since the grand opening in September, 2010.



This all-ages event is free to North Aurora residents and will feature food, games & activities, a petting zoo, bounce houses, live music, tours of the station, and more. There will also be opportunities to meet with officers, supervisors, and command staff and to learn about programs and services that the police department offers.

"This is a great opportunity to become more familiar with our dedicated police officers. I could not be more proud of how they represent the best of North Aurora," said Village President Dale Berman. "Conversation, food, and games. It will be a great day for our Village." Visit www.northaurora.org for more information. Hope to see you there!

Public Works News and Information

Due to the 4th of July Holiday, Waste Management's garbage pick-up will be provided on Saturday, July 9th (instead of Friday July 8). Please have items out by 6 a.m. as Waste Management will have extra trucks out on Saturday causing pick-up times to change.

FREE Mulch is available at 314 Butterfield Road. Mulch is available to residents on a first come, first serve basis. Please note, all mulch will need to be picked up and loaded by the resident, as delivery of mulch is not available.

Village Mosquito Program - Mosquito spraying has begun throughout the Village to help prevent new breeding sites. Each month the Village will have an entire application done during the evening hours, as well as treatments of all catch basins and ponds. To report high volumes of mosquitoes or to determine the last time your neighborhood was serviced, please call the Clarke Mosquito Hotline at 1-800-942-2555.

Code Enforcement Reminders

Watering and Lawn Sprinkling - Automatic watering and lawn sprinkling is allowed from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on even or odd numbered days, depending on your address.

High Grass and weeds - Lawns, including weeds, must be kept under 8" inches in height to avoid violations.

Trash Cans - Trash cans, recycle bins, or yard waste cannot be placed at the curb until 3:00 pm the day before your scheduled pickup. Containers must be removed from the curb no later than midnight on the day of collection.

Swimming Pools - All swimming pools must be properly fenced and maintained and may not hold stagnant water. Please be advised that all in-ground swimming pools are to be fenced no less than four feet in height. Above ground pools shall be fenced if any portion of the pool is less than four feet above the adjacent grade.

RV Parking - Campers, boats or other RV's can be parked on front driveways from Friday thru Monday. One recreational vehicle may be permanently stored on a property, but must be parked and stored behind the front building elevation on a hard surface of a residential lot. Temporary storage tents used for recreational vehicles are not considered a structure.

Village of North Aurora Directory

Village Hall Main Phone - (630) 897-8228
 Police Department Non-emergency Phone - (630) 897-8725
 Regular Business Hours: Monday-Friday - 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
 Website: www.northaurora.org

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North Aurora Meeting Schedules

Village Board and C.O.W. Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each Month:

June 6, 2016 and June 20, 2016
 July 18, 2016 (no meeting July 4)

Plan Commission meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month:

June 7, 2016 and July 5, 2016

All meetings are held at the North Aurora Village Hall, 25 E. State St. North Aurora (unless otherwise posted). Meeting schedules and meeting agendas are posted on the Village's website at www.northaurora.org.

North Aurora Village Hall Holiday Closures

Independence Day - Monday, July 4, 2016