



# Crossroads on the Fox

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Village of North Aurora

December 2018/January 2019

## Village President - Dale Berman




Now that winter is here, I would like to remind residents of the Village's ordinance that prohibits parking on village streets during or after a snowfall with an accumulation of 2 inches or more. Vehicles parked on the street after 2" of snowfall may be ticketed and/or towed. When winter storms are forecast with an expected snow accumulation, please park your vehicles in your driveway or garage. This will allow Village snowplows to get down streets and complete their routes as quickly and safely as possible and ensures that the streets get cleared. It is also illegal to dump, shovel or blow snow into the road, as this can delay the snow removal process and cause dangerous situations. And finally, please be sure your mailboxes are installed properly and can withstand any snow coming off the plow.

Any residents who intend to be away from home for any extended period of time this winter, please be sure to protect your home from frozen pipes by keeping the temperature at the minimum of 60 to 65 degrees. Have your home checked regularly by a family member, friend or neighbor. If an issue develops from a water leak due to frozen pipes, attending to it quickly could minimize or prevent damage.

The 2018 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) is now available on the Village's website ([www.northaurora.org/departments/finance](http://www.northaurora.org/departments/finance)). The purpose of the PAFR is to summarize and convey the Village's financial activities to our residents and stakeholders in an easy to read format. The report highlights information from the Village's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, allowing residents and users to quickly gain an understanding of the Village's financial activities from the prior year and overall financial condition. This document also includes the Village's demographics, major operating funds, and significant projects planned for the upcoming fiscal year, along with accomplishments from the previous fiscal year.

Waste Management would like to remind residents to "Recycle Right, Recycle Often". For helpful recycling information, residents can visit <https://recycleoftenrecycleright.com> to get information on the proper way to recycle items and to make recycling sustainable for future generations. Did you know? Certain items, such as plastic bags, items with food residue (such as pizza boxes), or styrofoam cups & containers can contaminate the recycling process, or ruin the entire load. It may seem like such a small detail - a wrong item in the recycling bin - but it represents a global problem that's preventing thousands of tons of recyclables from ever seeing a second life. Please do your part and recycle properly to be sure your recycled items can be re-used. Check out their website for recycling tips.

Coffee with the Mayor continues on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Please feel free to stop in for some coffee and conversation and share your interests and concerns for North Aurora. I look forward to meeting residents I haven't met before, as well as chatting with the "regulars". No reservations are required, so please feel free to join us.

 Remember to shop locally in North Aurora during the holidays. Shopping locally benefits our local businesses and gives back to our community. Sales tax revenues make up to 40% of all Village revenues that fund police, public works, community development and other Village Hall services. North Aurora is fortunate to have a variety of retail stores, various restaurants and many service businesses that residents should be proud to patronize. Please be sure to check out the Business Directory on our website at [www.northaurora.org](http://www.northaurora.org) for local restaurants, retail stores and services.

## Building Department Reminders

For any projects that homeowners may be working on this winter, such as basement remodeling or finishing, or any electrical or plumbing projects, please be sure to contact the Building Department to apply for the required permits.

For any completed building projects that have required a building permit, the Village would like to remind residents that the work must be inspected during and after the project has been completed. If you have received a building permit for any project in the past and have not had the work inspected, please call the Community Development Dept. at (630) 897-1457 to schedule an inspection. There is no fee associated with the inspection, as long as the work was conducted as part of an approved building permit. Please allow a minimum of 24 hours in advance when scheduling an inspection.



**Police Department News and Information**



A big thank you to all who attended our "Visit Santa" event on Dec. 1st. A great time was had by all and Santa got to meet a lot of great kids.

Please be mindful when starting and warming up cars this winter season, and do not leave running cars unattended. An unattended running car can be an enticement for thieves to vandalize or steal the vehicle.

Also with the holidays, people are traveling and leaving homes unattended. If you are going to be away for an extended period of time, be sure to have a friend or family member check on your home, suspend mail delivery, and set lights to timers to go on and off at various times. Home security cameras are also helpful to deter would-be thieves. Residents can complete a "Vacant Property Notification Form" to let the Police Department know when they are going to be gone and who to contact should there be an issue. The form can be picked up at the North Aurora Police Department or downloaded from our website at [www.northaurora.org/forms](http://www.northaurora.org/forms).

**Public Works News and Information**

**Holiday Garbage Pick-up:** Due to the Christmas and New Years holidays, trash will be picked one day later, on Saturday December 29 and Saturday, January 5. There will be no delay due to the Martin Luther King holiday. Christmas trees will be collected FREE of charge, until the end of January. Christmas trees cannot be in plastic bags and must be free of all decorations. Trees over 6' must be cut in half. After the last trash collection in January, any Christmas trees at the curb for pick-up will require one (1) refuse sticker, visibly affixed, to be collected.

**Snow Removal:** Residents are reminded it is illegal to park on Village street after a snowfall of 2 inches or more. This will allow Village snowplows to complete their routes as quickly and safely as possible and will ensure that the entire street gets cleared of snow. It is also illegal for snow to be dumped, shoveled, or blown into the road, as this delays the snow removal process and can cause dangerous situations.

Snow removal is based on street usage and levels of traffic. The following Priority Streets are plowed first: East Side - Banbury, Dee, Hartsfield, Mitchell, Oak Crest, Pine Creek Dr., Sharon, Long and Wingfoot. West Side - Airport, Bennett, Bauer, Juniper, Meade, Oak, Orchard Gateway, Sycamore, Randall, Western, White Oak, Harmony and Timber Oaks Dr. Secondary Streets are any streets that collect and distribute vehicle traffic between the local street system and priority streets. These are plowed after the priority streets are cleared. Cul-de-sacs, alleys, dead ends and sidewalks will be plowed last, as they are the least traveled.

**Fire Hydrants:** Whenever possible, residents are asked to help the North Aurora Fire District by clearing snow from around the fire hydrant on or near your property.

**Mailboxes:** Please be sure that your mailbox is secure and can withstand the pressure of snow coming off the snow plows. If your mailbox is damaged during a snow event, the Village will only repair it if the plow makes contact with the mailbox. If the pressure of the snow coming off the snowplow causes the damage, it will be the responsibility of the Homeowner. If your mailbox is damaged by a Village plow it will be temporarily repaired and replaced with a standard 4x4 post and box in the spring.

**LED Street Lighting:** North Aurora is continuing the LED streetlight replacement program. The LED project includes the replacement of 362 light fixtures and 1 pole. The new LED lighting uses less electricity and is more cost effective and provides greater illumination of the pavement surface. Over the next few years the Village will replace the remaining 343 street lights with LED light fixtures.

**Village of North Aurora Directory**

Village Hall - 630-897-8228 / Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm  
Website: [www.northaurora.org](http://www.northaurora.org)

**Elected Officials**

Mayor Dale Berman  
Trustee Mark Carroll  
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Trustee Mark Gaffino  
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Trustee Tao Martinez  
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**Scheduled North Aurora Meetings**

Village Board and C.O.W. Meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the North Aurora Village Hall (unless otherwise posted) (Please check the Village Website for any meeting cancellations)

**December 3 and December 17, 2018  
January 7 and January 21, 2019**

Plan Commission meetings: 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. - **December 4, 2018 & January 8, 2019** - (2nd Tuesday due to Jan. 1 Holiday)

All Meeting Agendas are posted on the Village's website at [www.northaurora.org](http://www.northaurora.org).

**North Aurora Village Hall Holiday Closures:**

**Mon. & Tues. December 24 & 25 - Christmas Holiday  
Mon. Dec. 31 & Tues. Jan. 1, 2019 - New Year Holiday**