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Village of North Aurora

February / March 2018

Village President - Dale Berman



The North Aurora Lions Club recently held their awards ceremony in January. I would like to offer my congratulations to our North Aurora Police Officer Christopher Joswik for receiving their 2017 Police Officer of the Year award! Officer Chris Joswick received the award for his actions stemming from a May 13, 2017 incident at Delnor Hospital. Officer Joswick, responding to the hospital as part of the Kane County SWAT team, assisted in resolving the situation. His courage, selflessness and tenacity earned him this award. I would also like to offer my congratulate the following 2017 Lions Club Award recipients: Ryan Dietlin, Firefighter of the Year; Chris and Holly O'Brien, North Auroran's of the Year; Rhonda Klecz, Lion of the Year; Debbie Gaffino - Melvin Jones award; and Forrest White, Don Henzlik, and Al Broholm - Foundation Fellows. The Lions Club awards recipients in consideration of the contributions that they provide to our community. Congratulations to all and thank you for your commitment to North Aurora.

The Village has recently developed its first *Popular Annual Financial Report* (P.A.F.R.). The purpose of the P.A.F.R. is to summarize and convey the Village of North Aurora's financial activities to its citizens and stakeholders in an easy to read format. The twelve-page report highlights information from the Village's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, so residents and users can 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. The PAFR is available at Village Hall and can also be found online at the Village's website under the financial reports and budget page at: <http://northaurora.org/departments/finance/financial-reports-and-budgets.aspx>. Be sure to check it out!

Please join me for the Annual State of the Village address. Learn where North Aurora wants to go over the next several years - as a municipal government, as an organization, and as a community. Much has happened over the past year in North Aurora with new and exciting opportunities to come. The State of the Village Address will be held at The Oak Street Restaurant & Bar, 945 Oak Street, North Aurora, on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. Registration is at 11:30 a.m. with a welcome and lunch beginning at 12:00 p.m. Admission is \$30.00 for Chamber members and \$50.00 for general admission/walk-ins. For information and to register please contact Maureen Gasek, Director of Events and Marketing, at the Aurora Regional Chamber of Commerce by email at mgasek@aurorachamber.com.

Code Enforcement Reminders

Residents are reminded that it is illegal to park on Village streets after a snowfall of 2 inches or more. This allows the 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 can delay the snow removal process and can cause dangerous situations. Please park in your driveway or garage during snow events.

Residents should notify Code Enforcement regarding any vacant homes/buildings that they may be aware of in their neighborhoods. Being aware of vacant homes can help minimize damage to the property, including damaged caused by broken water pipes. Another reminder for 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 mean far less damage.

The Village of North Aurora requires every owner and operator of any building who rents or leases one or more dwelling units to supply heat from November 1 to May 1 of not less than 65 degrees. Please adhere to this regulation.

Please contact the Code Enforcement Division at (630) 897-1457 ext. 231 with any questions or concerns you may have.

Police Department News and Information



The North Aurora Police Department is offering a Citizens Police Academy, an educational program designed to build a better understanding between citizens and police. The course is an informative overview of the fundamentals of police work and will be taught by North Aurora Police officers representing various areas of expertise within our organization. Course topics will cover various aspects of police work and existing police knowledge, including: Traffic law; Investigations/Evidence; Criminal law; Use of Force; Driving under the influence.

Participants will have an opportunity to experience hands-on traffic stop training as well as simulated firearms training exercises. The program is designed to forge a stronger partnership between citizens and the police department and to ultimately assist in the reduction of crime through deeper community participation in community policing.

Classes begin on Wednesday, February 21st and will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. There will be 10 classes and the last class will be held on April 25th. Participants must be 18 years old and either live or work in North Aurora. Applications may be picked up at the North Aurora Police Department - Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Applications can also be downloaded at <http://northaurora.org/forms.aspx>.

Questions can be directed to Officer Robyn Stecklein at (630) 906-8146 or by e-mail to rstecklein@northaurora.org.

Public Works News and Information - 630-897-8228 ext. 260

Trash pick-up will not be delayed due to Presidents Day; therefore, pick up will be on Friday, February 23rd as usual.

Yard Waste Pick-up resumes on Friday, April 6th. Kraft paper bags and waste stickers are required for all yard waste pick-ups. Brush and branches must be bundled in 4 ft. lengths, not exceeding 50 lbs. and require a sticker at all times. To dispose of any leaves left from the fall, leaves need to be bagged and will require a waste sticker. (Bagged leaves are only picked up free during October and November.)

Please report streetlight outages to the Public Works Department. Street lights on wood poles are repaired by Com Ed. and can be called into the Village or to Com Ed at 1-800-334-7661. Streetlights are serviced when a group are in need of repair, and will be serviced based on a repair schedule. Please contact the Village Hall as soon as a streetlight is out so it can be added to the repair schedule list.

LED Street Lighting - The Village of North Aurora has completed its 2017 LED streetlight replacement program. The project included the replacement of 144 light fixtures and 25 poles. The new lighting uses less electricity and is more cost effective with greater illumination of the pavement surface. Over the next few years the Village will replace the remaining 805 street lights with LED light fixtures throughout the Village.

The Village offers an Overhead Sanitary Sewer Grant to residents who have frequent backups into their homes. For more information, please contact the Public Works Department. Qualified recipients of the grant can qualify for up to \$4,000, not to exceed 50% of the project. Applicants must meet the required qualifications outlined in the Over-head Sewer Grant application, which can be found on the Village's website at www.northaurora.org.

Snowplow damage to lawns - Any damage to your lawn caused by the Village's snowplows will be repaired as the weather warms and the ground thaws. Please contact the Public Works Department as soon as any snowplow damage is identified on your property.



Village of North Aurora Directory

Village Hall - 630-897-8228 / Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
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Elected Officials

Mayor Dale Berman
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North Aurora Meeting Schedules

Village Board and C.O.W. Meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each Month at 7:00 p.m.
(Please check the Village Website for the most current meeting dates)

February 5, 2018 (No meeting February 19, 2018)
March 5, 2018 and March 19, 2018

Plan Commission meetings - 1st Tuesday of the month.

February 6, 2018 and March 6, 2018

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

North Aurora Village Hall Holiday Closures

Monday, February 19, 2018 - President's Day