

Crossroads on the Fox

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Village of North Aurora

August/September 2017

Village President's Report - Dale Berman

With the promotion of David Fisher to Chief of Police, there have been some additional advancements in our Police Department. I would like to congratulate both Deputy Chief Joe DeLeo and Sergeant Ryan McKiness for their promotions as well, and I look forward to their contributions to the department in their new positions.



I would like to thank all those residents who made an effort to curtail their water usage during the maintenance/painting project of the Orchard Gateway Water

Tower. The project was completed and the tower was back in service at the end of June. As a reminder, the Village's year-round watering ordinance allows for automatic watering and lawn sprinkling from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. only, on even or odd numbered days, depending on your

address. Thank you for adhering to this watering schedule.

In 2011, after the passage of a voter referendum, by majority vote, the Village of North Aurora contracted to procure lower-cost electric supply for residents and small businesses. The Village recently renewed our Electric Aggregation program with the lowest bidder, Dynegy Energy, for the upcoming term of September 2017 through October 2018. The average enrolled ratepayer has saved \$360 for a cumulative savings of \$1,817,000 since the program's inception. This year's renewal program offers traditional power supply, with just 13% renewable energy credits. Notices have been mailed to all residents and businesses. All residents and small businesses will be automatically enrolled, unless they choose to opt out, or have previously enrolled with an alternative supplier. If you have not received an Opt Out notice and want to enroll in the program, you may do so by calling Dynegy Energy at 844-351-7691 and request the Village of North Aurora rate. Please see our website for more information and a list of Frequently Asked Questions.

Beginning with the July 17th Village Board Meeting, the Fox Valley Cable Consortium will be video recording all Village Board and Committee of the Whole meetings. The meeting video will be available on our website 2-3 days after the meeting, and will also be broadcast on the Fox Valley Cable Consortium's government access channels: for Comcast/ Xfinity viewers - channel 10 and for AT&T viewers - channel 99, at various times throughout the week.

The North Aurora Mothers Club is proud to organize our 8th Annual North Aurora Community Parade: 20 Years of Community Pride, in honor of North Aurora Mother's Club's 20th membership year, and we invite you to be a part of our community celebration! The parade features North Aurora businesses, clubs, friends and neighbors with floats from schools, restaurants and organizations in the village and neighboring towns. The parade date is Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 3:00 pm. The parade begins at Blessed Sacrament parking lot at 801 Oak Street for the parade riders. The parade will continue east on Oak St. to Willoway, then south to Harmony Dr., and continue west on Harmony Dr. The parade will conclude with a North Aurora Mothers Club sponsored after-party at Goodwin Park.

With school starting in just a few weeks, children will be walking to school, crossing streets and waiting at bus stops. Remember, student safety begins with roadway safety. Please be sure to obey the speed limit and watch for children in crosswalks. Drivers must always stop when a school bus is stopped to pick up or drop off students on a two-lane road way. The bus driver will flash the lights on the front and rear of the bus and the stop signal arm will be extended. Remain stopped until the lights and stop signal are turned off.



Government 101 - Local Government Education Program

The Village's "Government 101" Education Program will be scheduled for six consecutive Thursday evenings, beginning October 12, 2017 through November 16, 2017 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The program is free and open to residents 16 and older. This will be a fun and informative opportunity for residents to understand how the Village operates. The weekly classes will include specific information on each of the Village Departments.

There is no cost to participate in this program, however, class size will be limited so registration will be on a "first come/first serve" basis. Registration forms will be available at the Village Hall and also on our website at www.northaurora.org on August 25. Registration forms will be due on Friday, September 15, 2017 by 4:30 p.m. Please submit registration forms to: Cindy Torraco, Village of North Aurora, 25 E. State St. or by e-mail to ctorraco@northaurora.org with the subject line: Government 101.

Please note, this program may be subject to cancellation if fewer than 15 residents register. If you have any questions please contact the Village Administrator, Steve Bosco by e-mail at sbosco@northaurora.org.

Police Department News and Information

The North Aurora Police Department would like to share some recent organizational changes brought about by Chief David Summer's retirement and the appointment of David Fisher to Chief of Police.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sergeant Joe DeLeo, who was our Investigations & Juvenile supervisor, has been appointed to Deputy Chief and assigned to oversee Patrol Operations & Community Policing. Deputy Chief Scott Buziecki, who had been in charge of Patrol, has been assigned to oversee Administration & Investigations. Sergeant Joe Gorski, who was a dayshift patrol supervisor, has been assigned as our new Investigations & Juvenile supervisor. Detective Ryan McKiness was promoted to sergeant and assigned as a dayshift patrol supervisor. He will also oversee PACT District 1, which is the East Village Limit to the Fox River.

Finally, Officer Mark Shillair has been assigned to Investigations. Please join us in congratulating these officers on their promotions and new assignments. Please visit our website at http://northaurora.org/departments/police.aspx for a list of all contacts as well as a variety of programs and services we offer.

Community Development

The Community Development Dept. can assist residents with various projects that may or may not require a building permit and can guide residents to the proper resources. We also work with developers and contractors on projects to ensure compliance with local, county, state, or federal codes and standards. No matter the project, zoning compliance is the <u>first thing</u> on the list of things to check. The Community and Economic Development Director is available to make determinations regarding all property zoning inquiries. Upon zoning verification, other aspects of the project are reviewed for compliance, which includes building codes; including but not limited to the International Residential Code, the International Mechanical Code, the National Electrical Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, or the International Energy Conservation Code. After this process, the permit may be issued.

Upon issuance of a building permit, a yellow permit card is issued for the property owner to post in the front window of the building. This is used to identify the project status with the Village. On occasion, a property owner may start a project without first consulting with the Village. When in doubt, just contact the Village as we are here to help you. During the course of a project, the Village will assist with various types of inspections or consultations. Once the work is approved and the project completed, the permit may be closed. The Community Development Dept. takes pride in our work, and because of this, the Village of North Aurora will continue to be a great place to live and work.

Public Works News and Information

Garbage pick-up – Due to the Labor Day Holiday, garbage pick-up will be provided on Saturday, Sept. 9 (instead of Friday Sept. 8). Please have items out by 7:00 a.m. as Waste Management will run extra trucks for the holiday pickup.

Fall Clean-up Days have been scheduled for September 15 and 16. Free bulk clean-up items, as well as regular trash will be picked up on **Friday, Sept. 15 for all residences West of the Fox River, and Saturday, Sept. 16 for all residences East of the Fox River**. All non-hazardous bulk trash items will be picked up for free. Note, stickers are required for all regular household garbage and yard waste, which will be picked up on the same day as the clean-up schedule. Please have all items out by 7:00 a.m. as route time's change for this special pick-up day. Visit the Village's website at www.northaurora.org to download a copy of Waste Management's "Collections Guidelines" for further information. For electronic recycling, please contact Kane County or visit their website at www.countyofkane.org/recycling.

Street Infrastructure Projects - During ongoing road and water construction projects, Residents can check the Village's website at www.northaurora.org for updates on any current and ongoing projects within the Village.

Village of North Aurora Directory

Village Hall Main Phone Number (630) 897-8228 Regular Business Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Village Board

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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.

August 7 and August 21

Sept. 18 - (no meeting Sept. 4 due to Labor Day Holiday)

Plan Commission meetings - 1st Tuesday of the month.

August 1, 2017 Sept. 5, 2017

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: www.northaurora.org.

North Aurora Village Hall Holiday Closures

Monday, September 4, 2017 - Labor Day