



# Crossroads on the Fox

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Village of North Aurora

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## Village President - Mark Gaffino

I highly encourage all North Aurora residents to register for our alert system, Nixle. Nixle can be used to alert residents to road closures or incidents in town, as well as provide updates and notifications for Village events and programs. You can receive alerts via your phone or email (or both!) for both emergencies and for more general advisory notices. Register at: <https://local.nixle.com/register/>.



The Village's website ([www.northaurora.org](http://www.northaurora.org)) and the Village's Facebook ([www.facebook.com/VillageofNorthAurora](https://www.facebook.com/VillageofNorthAurora)) are also great resources for up-to-date information. The Village website also contains a full calendar of all Village meetings, events and holiday closures for reference and the website also has a vast array of resources and information for residents on everything from Village Board meetings to garbage collection to water billing. If you ever have questions you are more than welcome to call Village Hall at 630-897-8228 and Village staff will be more than happy to assist you.

I'd like to invite residents to **Meeting with the Mayor** on Thursday, February 24 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Village Hall (25 East State Street) to have a conversation about the Village and discuss any concerns residents may have. I look forward to seeing you there!

## Yard Waste Collection Program

Yard Waste Collection begins in **April**. Residents can put out yard waste in Kraft paper bags not exceeding 50 lbs. Brush and branches/less than 3" in diameter should be bundled up to 4' in length in less than 2' bundles, and twined not exceeding 50 lbs. per bundle.

For the first two weeks of April, residents can put out an **unlimited** amount of properly packaged yard waste for **FREE!** No stickers will be needed for these first two weeks of free pick-up.

Stickers will be required after the first two weeks of free pick-up. Prepaid stickers for yard waste paper bags or bundles of brush may be purchased at any location in the Village that sells Groot stickers, please find a full list here: [www.northaurora.org/garbage-recycling-yard-waste/](http://www.northaurora.org/garbage-recycling-yard-waste/)

Groot also offers a subscription program for yard waste, which allows for the rental of a 95-gallon toter exclusively for yard waste during the yard waste collection season. This toter would be billed annually and anyone interested will want to call Groot for details and pricing at 630-892-9294.

## Snow Removal — Snowplows, Mailboxes and Streets!

### Snowplow Damage

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 at 630-897-1457 ext. 260 as soon as snowplow damage is found.

### Mailboxes

Is your mailbox installed properly? During the winter, unstable mailboxes and decaying wood posts are more likely to be damaged from heavy snow coming off the snow plows. Residents should be aware that the Village is not responsible for mailboxes that are damaged by the snow from the plows. Spring is the best time for residents to be sure their mailbox is securely fastened to the post and that the post is in good condition and securely set in the ground. Should your mailbox be struck by a plow and damaged, please contact the Public Works Department within 48 hours.

### Snow Removal on Streets

Snow removal is based on street usage and levels of traffic. Priority streets are plowed first followed by secondary streets that collect and distribute vehicle traffic between the local street system and priority streets. 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 Protection District by clearing snow from around the fire hydrant on or near your property.

## Police Department News and Information - 630-897-8705

### Have You Done Your [#9pmRoutine](#)?

The 9pmRoutine is a quick and easy way to protect your home and vehicle from potential burglaries and keep our neighborhoods safe. Every night at 9pm, complete the following:

- Remove valuables & garage remote from vehicles
- Lock your doors
- Close garage door
- Turn on outside lights

### Snowfall Events

During snowfall events, residents are reminded that there is **No Parking** after **2 Inches+** of snowfall on Village streets. The Village of North Aurora strives to clear our roads of snow and ice as quickly and safely as possible and vehicles parked on the streets can impede the process. Parking tickets can be issued and vehicles towed at the owner's expense, so please do your part to both avoid a penalty and help to keep our roads clear. If you notice vehicles parked on the street for a long period (over 24hrs), please contact the North Aurora Police Department.

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 and plowing delays.

## Code Enforcement Reminders

If you go away for any extended period of time, protect your home by keeping the temperature at a minimum of **60 - 65 degrees** and have your home checked regularly by a family member, neighbor or friend. If there is a problem with frozen pipes or water leakage, attending to it quickly could mean far less damage.

Pets are sensitive to the cold weather. Please take proper care of your pets when the temperature dips below freezing.

Feel free to contact the Code Enforcement Division at (630) 897-1457 ext. 231 with any questions or concerns you may have. The Code Enforcement Division appreciates your cooperation.

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

### Holiday Garbage Pick-Up

Trash pick-up will **not** be delayed due to Presidents Day. Trash service will be on your regular service day. As a reminder, under the Village's current garbage contract there is **NO** spring clean-up (i.e. bulk item pickup); however, there are two free weeks of yard waste pickup in the spring (see front page for details).

### Streetlight Outages

Please report streetlight outages to the Public Works Department. Street lights on wood poles are repaired by ComEd and can be called into the Village or to ComEd at 1-800-334-7661. Street light repair service is scheduled when there is a group of lights needing repair, or within two weeks of the request (weather permitted). Contact Village Hall as soon as a streetlight is out to add it to the repair schedule.

## 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 Mark Gaffino  
Trustee Mark Carroll  
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### Department Heads

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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 7 and 21 | March 7 and March 21**

Plan Commission meetings - 1st Tuesday of the month.

**February 1 | March 1**

All meetings are held at the North Aurora Village Hall, 25 East State Street (unless otherwise posted).

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