

LINCOLNWOOD CONNECTIONS



July/August 2021

Village of Lincolnwood

Outgoing Board Members Recognized & New Board Established

The new term for the Lincolnwood Board of Trustees began with a swearing in ceremony at the May 4, 2021 Village Board meeting. Grace Diaz-Herrera and Mohammed Saleem are newly elected to the Board and Trustee Jean Ikezoe-Halevi was re-elected. Trustee Jesal Patel was elected as Mayor. The meeting also included a ceremony for departing Trustees Ron Cope and Georjean Hlepas Nickell. Additionally, departing Mayor Barry Bass was honored. Ron Cope served as a Trustee from 2013 to 2021. Georjean Hlepas Nickell served as a Trustee since 2017. Barry Bass served as Trustee from 2015 to 2017 and served as a Mayor from 2017 to 2021.



Incoming Trustee
Grace Diaz-Herrera



Incoming Trustee
Mohammed Saleem



Re-elected Trustee
Jean Ikezoe-Halevi



Incoming Mayor
Jesal Patel



Outgoing Trustee
Ron Cope



Outgoing Trustee
Georjean Hlepas Nickell



Outgoing Mayor
Barry Bass

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President's Message

Happy Summer Everyone,

Having spent nearly two months in office already I am delighted at how happy I am to walk into the Mayor's office every day. That's right, every business day since May 4th I have been here at Village Hall getting 'stuff' done. First and foremost, we reached an agreement with our Village Manager Anne Marie Gaura that will coincide with my term as Mayor giving us solid and proven leadership through May of 2025.

We have revised the meeting schedule placing public comment at the beginning of the agenda to allow residents an opportunity to address the board and public without having to endure meetings lasting several hours for a mere three-minute speaking opportunity. We also relocated Trustee Reports to follow the President's Report to allow for better transparency and trustees the opportunity to address a larger audience.

We approved the bond parameters ordinance to pay for the next phase of water, road, and stormwater projects without an increase to property taxes. We have taken up the discussions to revise our Village code to allow greater use of residential lots enhancing the value and desirability of Lincolnwood homes.

This year again we were unable to hold the Memorial Day parade but thankfully with the support of countless members of staff and volunteers we were able to have a remembrance ceremony in Madeleine's Garden, hopefully next year the parade will return. I was honored to offer good wishes to Officer Nick Irsuto on his retirement and in less than a week swear in fellow Indiana University Hoosier Travis Raypole as the new Deputy Chief of Police.



Memorial Day Remembrance at Madeleine's Garden

We have called for the Plan Commission to hold a public hearing to discuss the permissibility of both recreational cannabis and video gaming in Lincolnwood. As part of our comprehensive code review and update we are evaluating the charge and composition of all boards and commissions to make sure that all of the needs of the Village are met and the valuable time of resident volunteers is utilized in a manner which is most effective and efficient. We also approved the contract for Stage II of the stormwater management program, another important step to the first fully engineered Village-wide solution in our history. Approved changes in the code to maintain the ability for residents to obtain minor variations without a public hearing process while protecting residents

from suffering extensive encroachments without the opportunity to provide objection.

We have hired a new Finance Director, Denise Joseph, and secured a supremely experienced interim Parks and Recreation Director to guide us through the summer season as we search for a permanent replacement, following the departure of Melissa Rimdzius, we wish her well.



Mayor Jesal Patel

District 1860 is another step closer to reality. Having secured the lease with the grocery store to be named later and with a hard construction start date, we are planning for an opening in 2023. Though the Lincolnwood Town Center's owner filed for bankruptcy in order to reorganize their debt, the mall remains a vital revenue source for the Village. Retailers are not affected by the ownerships financial woes and a skilled manager has been appointed as receiver for the property. We have already begun work to revise our development concept plans for the larger mall area to include the possibility of partial or full scale redevelopment of the mall itself.

Summer is here and the weather we ordered showed up right on time. Thankfully Illinois did a great job of stopping the spread of COVID-19 and getting vaccinated and we are fully reopened at all levels. Masks are still strongly encouraged for those who are not vaccinated and businesses retain the right to require them of all customers. Our paths and parks are ready to welcome you so get out and play for at least 30 minutes a day, every day, everyone!

On a personal note I want to again thank the residents of the Village of Lincolnwood for their continued support. I'm extremely proud to represent Lincolnwood as its Mayor. Whether it's welcoming the Japanese consulate, as I did in June with Trustee Ikezoe-Halevi, or a second grader that happened to stop in while her parent was paying a bill and was surprised with a Twinkie from the mayor's secret stash, everyone is leaving Village Hall with a smile.



Mayor Patel and Trustee Halevi meeting with the Japanese Consulate

Sincerely,



Mayor Jesal Patel

Village News

Lincolnwood Police Department's National Night Out

The Lincolnwood Police Department invites all residents to attend National Night Out (NNO) – America's Night Out Against Crime. After taking a year off due to the COVID-19 pandemic, NNO is back and a very important part of community engagement for not only the Lincolnwood Police Department but for the residents themselves.

NNO happens once a year throughout the country and is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie....

to make our neighborhoods safer and creates a more caring place to live. NNO enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. With the past year being one of the most challenging years in decades, NNO is an opportunity to bridge gaps, make bonds and get to know the officers that police our community. This year, NNO celebrates its 3rd Annual NNO in Lincolnwood.

Neighbors throughout our village and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on their front porch lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and law enforcement. Along with the traditional outside lights and

front porch vigils, most communities celebrate NNO by hosting block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and other various community events with safety demonstrations, seminars, youth events, visits from emergency personnel, exhibits and more. National Project Coordinator, Matt Peskin said, "This is a night for our nation to stand

together and promote awareness, safety, and neighborhood unity, especially after a year as hectic as 2020 was. NNO showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and citizen involvement. When law

enforcement and the community work closely together, some amazing things can happen."

The Police Department will be hosting a NNO get together at the Proesel Park Pavilion located at 6915 N. Kostner Ave (corner of Kostner and Morse), from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please come join your neighbors and Chief Jay Parrott, Deputy Chief Travis Raypole and other police officers, fire personnel and Village employees serving the community with some light refreshments and casual conversation in support of a safe community for all. If you would like to volunteer or set up a booth at the event to promote your local business please email Deputy Chief of Police Raypole, at traypole@lwd.org.



School District 74



**ONWARD JAGUARS!
CONGRATULATIONS, LINCOLN HALL CLASS OF 2021!**



Parks and Recreation News

WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED ALL SUMMER LONG

OUTDOOR • PROESEL PARK

JUNE 24 – Wind Gypsies / CLASSIC ROCK
 JULY 1 – Dancing Queen / ABBA TRIBUTE
 JULY 8 – Second Hand Soul Band / MOTOWN
 JULY 15 – Rosie and the Rivets / RETRO ROCK
 JULY 29 – Final Say / ALTERNATIVE ROCK




SHELTER • PROESEL PARK

NEW!
SUMMER 2021



CHILDREN'S CONCERTS

AUG. 1 • 11:30 AM
MISS JAMIE'S FARM

AUG. 8 • 11:30 AM
JODI KAPIN'S JINGLEJAMS

OUTDOOR • PROESEL PARK



SUMMER CINEMA SERIES

AUGUST 28 • 8 PM
"TROLLS WORLD TOUR"

SEPT. 18 • 7:30 PM
"HOOK"



FALL INTO FALL!



Keep your eyes open for the **FALL 2021 PROGRAM GUIDE**—chock full of recreational classes, programs and special events!

WHAT TO DO AFTER SCHOOL!

RUTLEDGE HALL MUTIPURPOSE ROOM



L.E.A.P. PROGRAM — LEARNING • ENRICHMENT • ART • PLAY

After school care, homework help, arts/crafts, athletics and more!

Grade K-5 from 2:45-6:30 p.m.
Every day School District 74 is in session in-person.

Public Works Reminders

Free Document Shredding

On Saturday, August 14, 2021, the Village will be hosting a document shredding and electronics recycling event. The event will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the large parking lot south of Public Works (7001 N. Lawndale Avenue) at the corner of Lunt Avenue and Lawndale Avenue.

Residents that live in a SWANCC member community are able to take part in this collection event. IDs will be checked for proof of residency. Unfortunately, no documents will be accepted from businesses or schools. The document shredder is capable of accepting paper clips and staples, but binder clips will need to be removed. There is a limit of six boxes per vehicle. For a list of acceptable electronics for recycling, please visit swancc.org.

Capital Project Updates

Roadway Resurfacing/Water Main Replacement: Year three of the 10 year roadway resurfacing program is currently in progress and is scheduled to be completed by this fall. This year the project includes resurfacing of approximately 3.5 miles of Village roadways and 1.36 miles of water main replacement, along with concrete work including spot curb and sidewalk replacement.

Street Storage Stage II: As part of the Village-wide storm water management program, Street Storage Stage II is scheduled to begin this summer and be completed by this fall. The scope of this project consists of temporary storage of storm water on Village streets with a controlled release into the combined sewer system. This includes installing submerged restrictors in catch basins and inlets, and street berms to contain the storm water in a specific area.

Water Conservation

Please remember the Village's regulations regarding irrigation and sprinkler usage. From May 15 to September 15, sprinkler usage shall be limited to even numbered days for even numbered address, and odd numbered days for odd numbered addresses. Additionally, sprinkler usage on any day between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. is prohibited. Between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. it is also prohibited to use large quantities of water for the purposes of washing vehicles, driveways, sidewalks, exteriors of buildings and other outdoor surfaces. Newly installed sod is exempt from this regulation provided that a watering permit is received from the Public Works Department. For additional information on the water conservation regulations, or to obtain a watering permit, please contact the Public Works Department at (847) 675-0888.

Tree Removals

Residents concerned about dead or hazardous public or private trees are encouraged to contact the Public Works Department at (847) 675-0888 for inspection. If Public Works identifies a dead parkway tree, it will be scheduled

for removal by the Forestry Division of the Department. The Village retains the services of a consulting arborist for inspections of privately owned trees prior to removal. If the Village Arborist determines a tree is dead or hazardous, the resident can obtain a tree removal permit at no cost.

Leaf Blower Regulations

Please remember that gasoline powered leaf blowers are not permitted for use within the Village from May 15 to September 30. The use of gasoline powered leaf blowers is restricted from October 1 through May 14 before 7:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m. on Monday through Fridays and before 7:00 a.m. and after 12:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Gasoline powered leaf blowers may not be used on Sundays and holidays.

Small Wireless Facilities

Residents may have noticed that small wireless facilities (SWF) have been installed throughout Lincolnwood. SWFs are devices usually three to four feet in size that are regularly attached to utility poles or similar equipment in the public right-of-way that is used to support wireless communications. The Village provides regulatory oversight for the program within the structure of the Village Code and State Law. The Village is providing information to residents on SWF during the July 20, 2021 Committee of the Whole.

Lincolnwood in Bloom Contest

The Village of Lincolnwood invites residents to participate in the Lincolnwood in Bloom Beautification Contest. This program is part of the Village's community beautification activities and encourages property owners to landscape and beautify their homes and neighborhoods all-year long. Any resident within the Village of Lincolnwood's corporate limits is eligible. Entries are due by September 10, 2021. The application to apply can be found on the Village's website.

If you have any questions about the application, please contact Brendon Mendoza, Assistant to the Public Works Director, at bmendoza@lwd.org or (847)745-4851.



BUSINESS CONNECTIONS



Village to Consider Cannabis Dispensaries and Video Gaming Establishments

As part of the development of the Village Budget, late last year, the Finance Committee discussed re-examining adult use cannabis dispensaries and video gaming as uses that may generate additional revenue for the Village. Following discussion by the Village Board at the June 1st Committee of the Whole meeting, Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments for both issues of cannabis dispensaries and video gaming establishments will be considered by the Plan Commission this summer. Both issues would return to the Village Board as the determining body with recommendations from the Plan Commission.

Adult Use Cannabis Dispensaries

The “Compassionate Use of Medical Cannabis Pilot Program Act” went into effect on January 1, 2014. This Act allowed the establishment of medical cannabis dispensaries and cultivation centers and the prescribing of medical cannabis to patients and caregivers in Illinois. The Illinois General Assembly passed the Illinois Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act, which became effective on January 1, 2020. This Act legalized the possession and private use of cannabis for residents over the age of 21 from licensed dispensaries. The Act prohibits cannabis use in public places, schools, child care facilities and other locations. Under the Act, local municipalities are able to permit and regulate cannabis related businesses through zoning restrictions and impose up to a 3% local tax. Preliminary analysis of the most recent monthly adult use cannabis sales data from the State of Illinois indicates that the average dispensary would generate around \$380,000 per year in municipal revenue based on a 3% tax.

The Village last evaluated this use in 2019 which resulted in the prohibition of adult use cannabis dispensaries and other cannabis businesses. Since this action a number of adult use dispensaries have opened in surrounding communities including Chicago, Evanston, Morton Grove, Niles and Skokie. According to the State of Illinois Cannabis Resource Website there is currently one dispensary within three miles of the 60712 Zip Code, five within five miles, and 16 within 15 miles. As part of legislation approved last month an estimated 108 adult use dispensary licenses could be awarded by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation this summer.

Video Gaming Establishments

The Video Gaming Act was enacted in July 2009, authorizing the placement of up to five Video Gaming Terminals (VGTs) in licensed Retail Establishments, Truck Stops, and Veteran and Fraternal Establishments. Most recently, in 2016, the Village Board discussed the issue of Video Gaming. Following discussions by the Economic Development Commission and the School District 74 Board, the Village Board concluded to keep the prohibition on Video Gaming. 2015 data showed that the municipal share of revenue at its other locations ranged from \$2,971 to \$60,743 per year with an average of \$23,902 per location. Staff has received a recent inquiry about whether the Village will allow Video Gaming in the future.

New Businesses

MA Sports USA, Inc., 6601 N. Lincoln Avenue
MA Sports USA, a prevailing name as a wireless accessory distributor has been in the industry for over 10 years providing its customers with the most popular brands, styles and products. MA Sports USA is committed to providing the best products, brands and services to its customers.

Nuovo Chicago, 3750 W. Devon Avenue
Nuovo Chicago is an upscale Italian Kosher-Dairy restaurant located at 3750 West Devon Avenue. For those in pursuit of a new culinary journey of elegance, a fresh and up-to-date experience awaits at Nuovo. Menus derived from a modern, dairy, artisanal cuisine are served in a delightfully modern ambience.

Touhy Barber Shop, 4716 W. Touhy Avenue
Touhy Barber Shop is located in the shopping center at 4716 West Touhy Avenue.

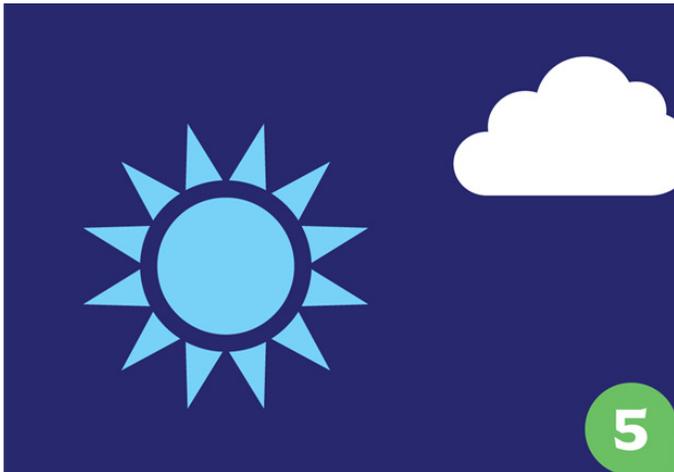
Governor Announces State of Illinois Fully Reopens

With Illinois meeting key health metrics, and just over a year since mitigations were first put in place, Governor JB Pritzker announced that the State of Illinois moved

to Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois plan, marking a full reopening of businesses and community.

Phase 5, the final phase of the Governor's Restore Illinois reopening framework, applies to all businesses and activity settings that have been subject to guidelines under the Restore Illinois framework, a science-based plan in response to the unprecedented public health emergency. Upon entering Phase 5, businesses including large-scale events, conventions, amusement parks, and seated-spectator venues can operate at full capacity, with continued general public health practices in place.

Businesses and communities can learn more about recommended public health under Phase 5 by visiting IDPH's website.



Outdoor Dining Extended in Lincolnwood

In order to help support local Lincolnwood restaurants, the Village Board recently extended the ability for outdoor dining areas to be located in restaurant parking lots through August. This provides restaurants the opportunity to provide outdoor dining even when they don't have

an outdoor patio or deck. The Village requires only that restaurants register their outdoor dining areas, provide basic contact and layout information, and meet certain guidelines.



Outdoor Dining at Psistaria Greek Taverna



Outdoor Dining at L. Woods Tap and Pine Lodge

Vehicle Stickers Renewal due by June 30, 2021

As a reminder vehicle stickers are currently available for renewal. If you have not renewed your sticker yet, please visit Village Hall. Village Hall is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You can also renew your vehicle sticker by mail or online by visiting www.lincolnwoodil.org/vehicle/.

A late fee of \$10 per month will be imposed after June 30.

Water Bill Reminder

Since the start of the pandemic the Village has put a pause on the assessment of late fees for water bills. Starting in July, the Village will be reinstating late fees for delinquent customers. The Village offers a variety of methods for customers to pay their bills including online at www.lincolnwoodil.org, via mail, or in-person at Village Hall 6900 N Lincoln Avenue. If residents or businesses have difficulties with making payments the Village is able to create payment plans to provide assistance.

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Board and Commission Meetings

Village Board: 1st, 3rd Tuesday of the Month
Plan Commission: 1st Wednesday of the Month
Human Relations Commission: 2nd Monday of the Month
Beautification Commission: 2nd Monday of the Month
Park and Recreation Board: 2nd Tuesday of the Month
Zoning Board of Appeals: 3rd Wednesday of the Month
Economic Development Commission: 4th Wednesday of the Month
Traffic Commission: 4th Thursday of the Month

Village Board meetings are held in the Council Chambers in Village Hall at 7:30 p.m. Please check the Village's website at lincolnwoodil.org for Board and Commission meeting dates, agendas, and minutes. To receive meeting agendas, send an e-mail to subscribe@lwd.org. All meetings listed above will be broadcast live on Comcast Channel 6, RCN Channel 49, AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 and lincolnwood.tv. These meetings are available on-demand at lwdtv.org one week following the scheduled meeting. Are you interested in speaking at a Public Meeting? Every public meeting includes a "Public Comments" section in which the public can speak on a topic.

Village Hall Closings

Village Hall will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

Independence Day - Monday, July 5, 2021

Stay Connected

Do you know of all of the ways that you can stay in touch with the Village?

- Download our App – Visit the Apple Store or Google Play and search "Lincolnwood"
- Subscribe to Our Bi-Weekly E-Newsletter – Visit www.lincolnwoodil.org/getlincolnwoodlocal
- Register for our Reverse 9-1-1 Program – Visit <https://lincolnwood.bbcportal.com/Entry>
- Subscribe to receive our Construction Updates - www.lincolnwood.org/getconstructionupdates
- Follow us on your favorite social media platform by searching for "Lincolnwood"

Keep in Touch

Have questions about a Village service? Contact us at one of the numbers below or follow us on social media.

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| Village Hall | (847) 673-1540 |
| Public Works | (847) 675-0888 |
| Community Development | (847) 673-7402 |
| Parks and Recreation | (847) 677-9740 |
| Police Non-Emergency | (847) 673-2167 |
| Fire Non-Emergency | (847) 673-1545 |
| Groot | (800) 244-1977 |