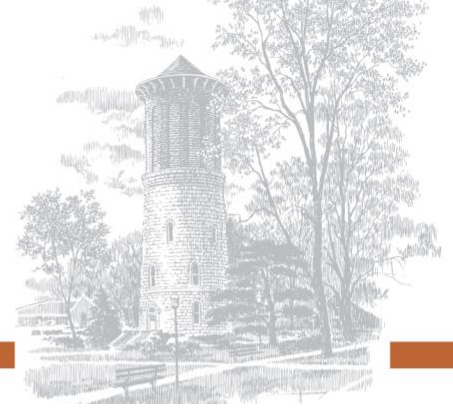


TUESDAY TOPICS



April 13, 2021

Tollway Soil Boring:

- The Tollway will perform soil boring work in the Tollway right-of-way off Ogden Avenue between April 12-30, weather permitting. Field crews aren't anticipated to impact residents at Western and Garden Avenues.

April is Safe Digging Month:

- April is often when homeowners start outdoor improvement projects, and it's also National Safe Digging Month. JULIE (Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators), provides professional excavators and homeowners a free service for locating and marking underground utility facilities. Call 8-1-1 to reduce the risk of striking underground utility lines and potentially causing environmental or property damage, costly delays, or personal injury. The service can also be scheduled online at: <https://www.illinois1call.com/>.

Forest Hills Sidewalk Study:

- In the fall of 2020, the Village Board approved a sidewalk feasibility study with V3 Engineering. The study summarizes the existing sidewalks within the subdivision along with an evaluation for sidewalks on each block, and provides estimates of probable costs for the completion of sidewalks in the subdivision. The study also provides an overview of potential conflicts and impacts for ADA improvements, parkway trees, driveways, and other utilities. The Infrastructure Commission, Public Works & Water Committee, and Village Board reviewed the feasibility study in early 2021 and it is now available on the [Village website](#). The Village Board is soliciting public comments, questions, and feedback on the study, to help determine next steps. Questions and comments pertaining to the study can be submitted through an [online form](#), until April 30. Learn more, review the study, and access the form on the [Village website](#).

Hydrant Flushing:

- Spring hydrant flushing is currently underway throughout the Village. Residents should have received a [yellow mailer with additional details](#). If you experience any discoloration, run the cold water from a fixture on the lowest level of the house until the water runs clear and avoid doing laundry or using the dishwasher until the water runs clear.

Consolidated Election Results:

- Local elections, including the Village Board, Library Board, Park Board, and School Boards took place last Tuesday. Current Village Board Trustees Scott Lewis, Heidi Rudolph, Jim Tyrrell, and I all ran without opposition. Former Trustee Ed Tymick was elected Village Clerk without opposition. He will succeed Clerk Jim Horvath, also a former Trustee, who stepped in to fill a vacancy mid-term. We owe Jim a debt of gratitude for his many years of dedicated service. I am also grateful to our Trustees and new Clerk for volunteering to serve for four more years. Each of them brings intelligence, thoughtfulness, and a unique perspective to the team. On behalf of the Board, it is an honor and pleasure to serve the Western Springs community.

Recreation Program Registration:

- The summer Recreation Brochure is now available, and registration begins on April 16. Visit the [Recreation Department's page](#) on the Village website for more information, and to sign up for summer fun.

Until next week,

Alice Gallagher,
Village President

*Wear a Mask, Socially Distance, Wash Hands, Be Safe
Take Care of Yourself, Protect Others, Support our Community*