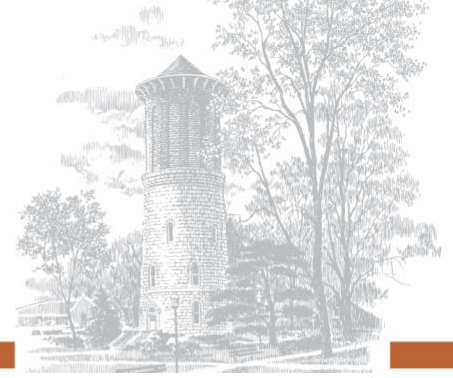


TUESDAY TOPICS



September 28, 2021

Trustees Appoint New Village Manager:

- During last night's Board of Trustees meeting, Ellen Baer was appointed and sworn in as the new Village Manager of Western Springs. Ellen was the Assistant Village Manager in Lombard from 2000 - 2003, in Orland Park from 2003 – 2016, and joined the Village of Western Springs as Director of Administrative Services in September 2017. Ellen holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Northern Illinois University and has 29 years of municipal government experience. On behalf of the Board and staff, please join me in welcoming her to her new role. I'd also like to thank Casey Biernacki for his service to the Village as Acting Village Manager since the retirement of Ingrid Velkme on September 17. He has resumed his role as Deputy Village Manager.

Hillgrove Avenue Closure:

- As part of the I-294 Expansion Project, the Illinois Tollway is coordinating local watermain replacement and sewer work on Hillgrove Avenue, between the Public Works facility and Prospect Avenue. The Tollway recently sent the Village a formal request to fully close this section of Hillgrove Avenue during construction, likely through November. Learn more and view the detour route on the [Village website](#).

Fire Department Open House:

- After a hiatus last year due to COVID-19, the Department of Fire and EMS will once again host their annual Open House on Monday, October 4 from 6 – 8pm in the parking lot of Fire Station 1 (4353 Wolf Road). Learn more on the [Village website](#).

Styrofoam Recycling:

- The Village's regular monthly [Styrofoam recycling](#) program will take place on Saturday, October 2 from 9 am – 12 noon in the Recreation Center parking lot.

Office Hours at Village Hall:

- Residents are reminded that I have office hours at Village Hall on Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 – 4 pm. This is an opportunity to drop in and discuss any issues or concerns that you may have. While I make every effort to dedicate this time for this purpose each week, please call 708-246-1800 to confirm, in case there has been an unexpected change.

Until next week,

Alice Gallagher,
Village President

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