

Village of Sand Lake

August 2022



Presidents Report

This past month has been busy with events and moving forward on projects the council has been working on.

I was excited to see the progress of the new basketball court in Salisbury Park this past week. Go check it out and enjoy the Villages new court. Thank you to Marcia Helton for heading up this project, and all of those who helped along the way. This is a wonderful addition to the park. I look forward to more improvements to come. The last order for bricks will be due by November.

We had our meter workshop this past month with the Villages engineer. Three companies came to give us quotes for moving to a metered system in the future. Between our engineer and DPW Supervisor we will have the best recommendation for meters.

I have also been reviewing the employee handbook for any adjustments that need to be made. Having procedures and policies in place to safeguard the Village.

After a long process of making corrections, and having to go into the previous year that was audited in 2019/2020, our books are done. My goal now is to turn my direct focus on grants and funding for future capital projects.

Thank you

Mollie Doerr

Life in the DPW

It's been a busy summer for us here at the DPW. Keeping up with the regular responsibilities along with "pop up" jobs make for constant activity within the Department. Discharging at the WWTF, flushing of hydrants, water and sewer samples, brush pickup, mowing and performing regular maintenance are some of the regular responsibilities we have been doing. Overseeing lift station cleaning, answering utility concerns, peeling back certain shoulders along Village roads and fixing streetlight issues are a few of the "pop up" jobs we have done. As you have probably noticed, we have had a number of trees taken down in the last month. We know there are many more to be removed but due to budget constraints we had to prioritize and take down the worst first. As we get closer to leaf vacuuming season, just a reminder that the fall season is the only time we vacuum leaves. If you choose to wait with raking your leaves until springtime, you will need to put them in recyclable bags. We hope you are able to enjoy the rest of your summer and that you are safe in doing so.

Fire Report

Community Service:

The Fire Department worked a total of 377.5 hours during the Fourth of July Events. On July 30, 2022 the annual Touch a Truck at Nelson Township Library and Ensley Crime Watch Picnic was held. The department has been invited to several parades in the month of September.

Reminders:

Brush pick-up will be every 1st & 3rd Thursday (Mornings) of the month.

Next regular meeting will be held Sep 19, 2022.

If you are having any problems paying your water bill, the Village of Sand Lake opted into the LIHWAP program for assistance.

You can call directly for assistance at (616) 632-7988.

Events:

August 28th & Sep 25th Praise in the park 5:30PM - 7:30PM

September 24th Harvest of Hope 10:00AM - 2:00PM