

Village of Sand Lake

May 2022



Presidents Report

I hope you are all enjoying the warmer weather we have been having. It seems in the last week everything is green and blooming! I am getting excited for our annual 4th of July celebration our Sand Lake Chamber of Commerce puts on.

This past month I have been working on plans for the future of the cemetery with our DPW. Our cemetery cleanup was very successful, thank you to all the volunteers who came to help out. It is a great start to many improvements that will be getting done.

The DPW had to do some extra trimming this past month in the cemetery. Our sexton also has been asking the Village to do some extra trimming so he can do his job more efficiently. We have found a lot of overgrowth of trees & bushes that are impeding on headstones. There were trees planted some time ago, and or birds could also be dropping seeds. Please see attached pictures on second page.

As a reminder to our residents, according to our ordinances, you cannot plant anything outside of an urn or hanging basket next to headstones without written council approval. Please see our cemetery ordinance Section 8.1 H. Ground Maintenance, on what is allowed to be placed in the cemetery.

I will be working on my own project this summer of cleaning the headstones and monument in the cemetery.

I will also be suggesting to the council at this May meeting to earmark a dollar amount into maintenance of the cemetery. We then can have our sexton start fixing some of these headstones that have shifted and moved.

Thank you

Mollie Doerr

Reminders:

Village offices are open Mon-Tues 9am-3pm. Brush pick-up will be every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month. Next regular meeting will be held June 20, 2022. Nelson Township spring clean up day Saturday, June 4, 2022

Life in the DPW

Warm weather and sunshine, it's easy to get used to. As we are enjoying the sun, we are also getting busier with outdoor responsibilities. We've replaced our various Village flags, patched potholes, painted some parking lines, lawn rolled some of our Village properties, started mowing and preparing for discharge season at the wastewater facility. We will continue with some of these jobs as time permits. We have had to have a contractor come out a few times already this year as a result of individuals flushing wipes down their toilets. This is a very costly practice. Maybe you only flush one or two down the toilet, that's not many. But if some of your neighbors do the same thing it adds up to many. It costs us several hundred to over one thousand dollars each time the contractor has to come out. Please DO NOT flush wipes down your toilets. Please see attached pictures on second page. We are continuing to do some preparatory work for future projects such as water meters and road repairs. We are hopeful that these may be able to be started within a year or so. Also, please be reminded that our current sign ordinance does not allow any off-site signage for yard sales and the like. Please abide by this ordinance. Enjoy the weather, take a walk, get a bite to eat at one of our eateries and maybe enjoy some dessert from Rosie's. Makes for a good day.

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Clog from wipes being flushed.



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Condition of Cemetery headstones.

