

# Village of Sand Lake

May 2023



## Presidents Report

I would like to address our infrastructure with this president report. I believe there is new information that would be beneficial for residents to know.

The Village has its roads PASER rated every year, scoring 0-10. 1-4 Poor, 5-7 Fair, & 8-10 Good. How they do the Pacer ratings is with a vehicle that has sensors and cameras, it is not done by someone's opinion.

According to our 2021 Pacer rating, over half of the roads in 2021 were considered poor at (62.68%).

According to our 2022 PASER rating, even W Lake is now in the red. This was alarming to me, since it is one of our newer roads. Our poor rating went from the 62.68%-67.67%, growing over 5% in just one year.

After the first set of PASER ratings, our engineer started to look into future projects. The first project we looked into was for E Lake St.

This project was quoted at \$800,000, with current inflation, now closer to a million-dollar project. Because of the cost, we then moved to a smaller road project, to take care of some other poor rated roads in the Village.

We were able to get help with funding on this smaller project through MDOT. The roads being worked on will be 5th, 6th, 7th, Beech St, & Maple St.

The council will also be getting bidding on chip sealing W Lake St. Our hope is to add 5 years to W Lake St.

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### Life in the DPW

With the warmer weather (finally) comes longer walks, plenty of birds singing and more yard work. With that yard work is the reminder that, in the Spring and Summer, if you have any kind of yard waste including leaves and pine needles (no sod), it needs to be put in yard waste bags and set out at the curb for us to pick up. With the nicer weather, we too, are ramping up our efforts to accomplish the many tasks needing to be done. Discharging at the WWTP is going along well. We hope to be able to discharge about 8 million gallons this year, between April and October. You may have noticed we had 7 stumps ground recently and the clean-up of those areas has begun. We plan on having 3-4 more trees taken down this year. Although our chlorine numbers continue to improve, we are constantly looking to keep that trend going. We take time to investigate new and improved ways of either treating or distributing water throughout the system. Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have concerned your drinking water. As always, we hope you are able to get out and enjoy the weather and our great Village.

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We are aware of the pot holes on E Lake St, there has been 4 tons of cold patch that has been put on E Lake St since Feb 1st, 14 tons total this season on all roads.

The condition of the roads is the number one reason the council started discussions on a one hauler service for the Village of Sand Lake. You should have received a mailer recently on the one hauler.

One garbage truck in town is the equivalent of 52,000 cars annually. Not including commercial trucks for dumpsters.

Just 3 waste haulers are the equivalent to \$156,000 trips down each road per year, the Village of Sand Lake had 6 waste haulers.

This is one step to many of helping get the extra wear and tear off the Villages roads.

Thank you, Mollie Doerr

## **Reminders:**

Trash pickup is Thursday mornings.

(Because of holiday, pickup will be June 2<sup>nd</sup>, instead of June 1<sup>st</sup>.)

Recycling is every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday.

Brush pickup every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday. (Morning)

Any remainder of leaves from fall, please put in bags.

Next regular meeting June 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **Events:**

Kite & Poster Display at Community building (Old VFW)

18 W Lake St. 6pm-8pm.