

Village of Sand Lake

May 2025



President Report

The municipal building's new security cameras were installed last month. This will ensure the overall safety of employees and public buildings, including park bathrooms.

The Village employees received training in our new software through Silversmith. Silversmith is a user-friendly technology that electronically records and tracks all of your critical data, such as water, wastewater, fire, and more. This will ensure that all proper data is stored so that records are not lost in the past.

The planning commission starts this month on a capital improvement plan.

A capital improvement plan is a long-term, multi-year plan used by local governments and organizations to identify, prioritize, and budget for significant capital projects like infrastructure improvements, public buildings, and major equipment purchases.

After entering back into a water tower maintenance program, a mixer was installed at the tower this past month to maintain water quality and prevent issues like thermal stratification and the growth of harmful microorganisms. By circulating the water, mixers ensure consistent water temperature and disinfectant distribution throughout the tank, improving drinking water quality and longevity.

Thank you
Mollie Doerr
Village President

Life in the DPW

May has begun with things greening up very nicely. Thank you for the efforts you've made to clean up your yards and thereby making our Village look so nice. Mowing season is upon us now, so Tim and I (Ryan) are busy trying to keep up with all the mowing around the Village.

Discharging is going well at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. When all is said and done, we hope to be able to discharge about 7-8 million gallons of wastewater before the middle of October. As a Village, we take in about 5.5 million gallons in that 6-month window that we cannot discharge. We just had our mixer installed in our water tower as of today as I write this report.

What this mixer will do will help to maintain our water quality by circulating and blending the water stored inside the tank. By mixing the water, disinfectants like chlorine stay evenly distributed. A mixer also keeps the water moving, ensuring uniform temperature and chemical distribution throughout the tank. This new addition to our water tower will greatly help to improve the water quality here in the Village. Again, as a friendly reminder, if you have yard waste you would like picked up, please put it in the paper lawn and leaf bags. For example, if you have grass clippings and or leaves that you would like picked up, please put them in paper lawn and leaf bags. Enjoy this beautiful time of year by working or walking outside. .

Reminders:

Granger- No delay on trash pickup for Holiday

Trash pickup is Thursday mornings.

Next regular meeting June 16, 2025

Zoning Reminder:

1.4 Property Appearance.

All lots within the Village limits except those zoned R-F shall be kept free from debris and litter, and ground cover shall be mowed periodically to maintain a neat appearance. If upon inspection of two members of the Village Council the lot is determined to be in need of improvement, a letter will be sent to the property owner stating such. If the owner does not take substantial action within 10 days of the date postmarked on the letter, the appropriate action will be taken by the Village to improve the appearance. The owner of the parcel thus improved will be billed for the work at the actual cost to the Village. If this amount is not paid within 30 days, it will be added to the tax bill. A violation of this ordinance is a municipal civil infraction, for which the fine shall be not less than \$50 nor more than \$100 for the first offense and not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 for subsequent offenses, in the discretion of the court, and in addition to all other costs, damages, and expenses provided by law. For purposes of this section, "subsequent offense" means a violation of this ordinance committed with respect to a separate incident by the same person within 12 months of a previous violation of the ordinance for which said person admitted responsibility or was adjudicated to be responsible. Each day that such violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.