Village of Random Lake

News, Reminders & Notes April 15, 2023

Village office will be closed: May 29th, 2023 in observance of Memorial Day.

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UPDATES FOR APRIL-MAY:

GOLF CART PERMITS - May 1, 2023 thru April 30, 2024 golf cart registration stickers are available at village hall. Application, \$25 fee, and proof of insurance should be submitted upon receiving your sticker.

SHORT-TERM RENTALS (29 CONSECUTIVE **DAYS OR LESS**) - If you plan to rent your property during the year, the property must be licensed with the Village office. The application is available on the village website or at village hall. Checklist of items needed on page 2 of application.

<u>PET LICENSES:</u> WERE DUE BY MARCH 31ST

All cats & dogs must be licensed prior to April 1st each year to avoid being charged a late fee of \$10.00 per animal. Licenses are available at the Village Office. The cost is \$6.00/spayed or neutered animal or \$13.00 /non-spayed or neutered. Current rabies vaccination must be on file to process a license.

PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION BACK-BILLING - A paper invoice will be sent out May 1 with a due date of November 1. PSC requires that properties owners at time of service are to be charged; therefore, prior owners have been verified and will be charged a pro-rated amount per their time of ownership. This pro-rated calculation will also be used to charge new owners the proper amount of time that they were provided the service.

STREET LIGHTS OUT? - If you see a street light out in your area or while out walking you can report this directly to WE Energies by going to https://www.we-energies.com/services/streetlight

SWITCH FROM QUARTERLY TO MONTHLY UTILITY BILLING

On February 6, 2023 the Village Board passed a proposal from the Finance Committee to change the Quarterly Utility billing to Monthly billing. Submission for approval of this change was then sent to the Public Service Commission and approval was granted on February 21, 2023. The effective date for this change is April 15, 2023.

The village board chose to make this change for the following reasons:

- Majority of home budgets are done on a monthly basis; therefore, by going to monthly billing this will help property owners in that calculation process.
- With the potential of increases in sewer user charges these changes could be less burdensome.
- Running capital for potential projects of the water and sewer departments. No longer will there be a three-month gap in capital revenues.
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"TRUSTEE TIDBITS"

by Trustee Duane Urbanski

Welcome to the first edition of "Trustee Tidbits." Here, each trustee will discuss a topic of his or her choice. If you have any recommendations, please feel free to contact the Village office and let us know.

Since it is spring here in beautiful Random Lake, I figured I would discuss spring cleanup. Subject to weather, the village brush pile is set to open on April 17^{th.} Remember, only residents are legally allowed to use it. Also, the DPW plans to start the street sweeping around April 17th; again, subject to weather.

For those who prefer to burn their yard waste, see the below ordinances governing burning:

- No person shall kindle any grass fire within the village without first securing permission from the fire chief.
- Trash burning is restricted. No person shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire in or upon any street, alley, public way, or any public property within the village.
- Burn barrels are prohibited.
- Leaf burning is allowed in the village in the yard of the residence in which the leaves fall.

To assist with our further Spring purging, the Rams Football team are doing a scrap metal fundraiser on April 22. Below is their information:

<u>It's a Toilet, not a Trashcan</u> <u>What not to Flush:</u>

People sometimes view the toilet as an auxiliary wastebasket. Unfortunately, many of the items that end up in the toilet can cause significant clogging problems, not only in your home's plumbing but, also for the Village's sewer system and Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Common items that are often flushed that **SHOULD NOT BE:**

- Flushable Bathroom Wipes
- Facial Tissue
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Cotton Swabs
- Dental Floss
- Grease
- Face Masks



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Meter readings done by the water department will still be done monthly between the 1^{st} and 10^{th} of the month.

Monthly bills will then be sent out around the 15th and will be due the following month around the 15th. Please expect a fluctuation in issue or due dates by 1-3 days based on holidays or whether the 15th lands on a weekend.

For properties with an installed Deduct Meter, this process is also changing and you will need to call these readings in monthly between the 1^{st} and the 10^{th} .

This change is made with the understanding that it does not result in any rate increase or service restriction.