



# Woodridge E-News

April 2, 2021

*Dear Trevor,*

## VILLAGE OF WOODRIDGE

Now Hiring

### Fiscal Assistant I - Water Billing

**The Village is accepting applications for both Fiscal Assistant I and Summer Seasonal Positions**

#### VILLAGE MEETINGS

Village Board Meeting

#### **Applications Being Accepted for Finance Department Water Billing Position**

The Village of Woodridge is currently accepting applications for [Fiscal Assistant I - Water Billing](#) in the Finance

April 15, 7:00 p.m.  
Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Village Board Meeting**  
May 6, 7:00 p.m.  
Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Water Bill Brief**  
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Department. This position is responsible for all water billing related duties and is a full-time, forty-hour per week position. This position will remain open until filled with application review to begin immediately.

### **Seasonal Job Opportunities at the Village of Woodridge**

The Village is hiring for temporary, [seasonal positions](#) that begin in May or early June and last approximately three months. These positions are available in the Public Works maintenance crews and the work involves manual labor and is primarily outdoors. Duties include assisting streets, water, and sewer and fleet maintenance crews with daily operations. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **April 6, 2021 Consolidated General Election**

The Tuesday, April 6, 2021 Consolidated General Election is the opportunity for Woodridge residents to make their selection for the Mayor of the Village of Woodridge, three Village Trustees, and the Village Clerk. Also, there will be a non-binding advisory referendum regarding adult-use cannabis.

### **Non-Binding Advisory Referendum**

A non-binding advisory referendum is an opportunity for the Village of Woodridge to request input and feedback from Woodridge residents on their opinion regarding a specific issue; however, the information is advisory in nature and does not require the Village Board to take action one way or another. The referendum is being asked specifically to understand the community's perspective allowing the retail sale of adult-use cannabis at a dispensary business within the Village of Woodridge. The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

Shall the Village of Woodridge allow the retail sale of adult use recreational cannabis products at dispensary businesses licensed by the State of Illinois?

Yes

No

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**Overnight Street Parking Restrictions Waived During Easter Weekend**

Starting on April 2 through April 5, overnight street parking is allowed. Please feel free to park on Village of Woodridge streets after parking restrictions are lifted on Friday, April 2 at 2:00 a.m. Please note that parking restrictions will resume on Monday, April 5 at 6:00 a.m. There is no need to obtain overnight parking permission on occasions when the restrictions are lifted.

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### **Plan Commission Meeting Monday, April 5 To Consider Three Cases**

The next meeting of the Village of Woodridge Plan Commission will be held on Monday, April 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held via Zoom Webinar. The purpose of the meeting is for Plan Commission consideration of three cases: a request for site plan approval, rezoning and a special use permit to build a Bank of America building at 7500 Lemont Road; a request for an expanded parking area at Town Centre located at Plaza Drive, and an amendment to the CVS at 8645 Woodward to accurately reflect changes to their lot resulting from land acquisition by DuPage County. More information available on the [Village's Plan Commission webpage](#).

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### **Village Board Approves Future Police Department / Public Works Facility Site Plan**

In March 2021, the Village Board was provided an update on the Village's ongoing facilities improvement project. As part of Phase I, the Village Board provided direction to move forward with the Master Plan site option, placing the Police Department on the western portion of the property, while nestling the Public Works salt and cold storage buildings closest to I-355. The targeted estimated budget



for this project is \$30.6 million, and will be primarily financed with GO bonds. The next step will be to proceed with full building design and site development, as well as issuance and approval of the bond financing. Under the current project timeline, the Village expects to break ground in Spring 2022. A video recap of Village Board presentation and discussion is on the [Village's YouTube page](#), and the staff reports are [available here](#). The Village has also created a [project webpage](#) where you can learn more about the project's status as well as the history of the Village's long-term facility needs.

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### **Woodridge School District 68 Back to In-Person School Starting Wednesday, April 7 - Safety Reminders**

Woodridge School District 68 is returning to in-person learning, 5 days a week, starting on Wednesday, April 7. As such, please remember these key school safety reminders. Expect an increase in traffic and remember it is unlawful to pass stopped school buses. Please watch your speed in school zones, and note that schools zone speed limits may change in hours and rates; and remember to stop when directed to do so by school crossing guards.

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### **Yard Waste Reminders: Collection Begins April 1 and No Leaf Burning Allowed**

Yard waste collection officially resumes on April 1 and continues through December 15. Residents can dispose of yard waste at the curb on their normal refuse collection day. One sticker is required for every 33 gallon unlined container or yard waste paper bag. Brush should be packaged in bundles no more than 4 feet in length and 2 feet in diameter. Each bundle must have a yard waste sticker attached and cannot weigh more than 50 pounds. Also, as a reminder,

the Village does not allow residents to burn leaves or other yard waste. Please dispose of yard waste properly.

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### **April Water Bill Brief Now Online**

Access the current water bill brief during months you do not receive a water bill to read timely, relevant information. The [April 2021 Water Bill Brief](#) is now online, or accessible through the link above in the left hand column.

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### **Woodridge Releases 2020 Economic Development Report**

The 2020 Economic Development Report is now available on our website! Despite the difficulties and hardships faced by all of us in 2020, the report finds much to celebrate including the opening of new businesses such as 7-ELEVEN, and the expansion of Woodridge favorites like Skeleton Key Brewery and Starbucks. The full report can be [found online here](#).

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### **Woodridge Seeks Applications for Board of Police Commissioner Vacancy**

There is currently a vacancy for a commissioner on the Village of Woodridge's [Board of Police Commissioners](#). Mayor Gina Cunningham is seeking interested individuals to fill this vacancy. Woodridge residents who are interested in being considered for the appointment should submit a letter and a current resume to the attention of Mayor Gina Cunningham, Village of Woodridge, Five Plaza Drive, Woodridge, IL 60517. Please note the deadline to submit your materials is April 22, 2021.

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### **Public Feedback Sought on Proposed Energy and Conservation Goals in Will County**

The Resource Recovery and Energy Division of the Will County Land Use Department is seeking feedback from Will County residents and workers on proposed County energy and conservation goals. The [four-minute survey](#) asks for input on goals pertaining to energy resources, water conservation, recycling, educational efforts and local transportation. Responses will influence the goals that are ultimately included in [Will County's 2021 Energy & Conservation Plan](#), currently in its draft phase.

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### **April Is Safe Digging Month**

As we move into spring, don't forget that April is Safe Digging Month and to call before you dig! Call JULIE at 811 for information on what's below the ground. More information can be found on the easy to remember URL, [www.JULIEbeforeyoudig.com](http://www.JULIEbeforeyoudig.com).



### **Kindergarten Pre-Registration for Woodridge 68**

Do you have a student eligible for kindergarten attendance for the 2021-22 school year? If so, mark your calendar for Woodridge School District 68's kindergarten pre-registration to be held on Wednesday, April 14 from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. Register at your child's [home elementary school](#).

Parents are encouraged to complete the [online portion](#) of pre-registration beginning Wednesday, April 7 and prior to the event on April 14. Children currently enrolled in the blended preschool program need not attend, but will need to complete returning student registration. Children must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2021, and the student's birth certificate must be presented.

More detailed information can be found by clicking the 'Registration' button on the [district website](#) or going directly to [woodridge68.org/registration](http://woodridge68.org/registration).

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### **ComEd Adds \$9 Million in Bill Assistance and Extends Payment Plans to Help Customers Struggling with Electric Bills**

On March 18, 2021, ComEd [released a news release](#) stating that ComEd is increasing financial assistance funding by \$9 million to help customers regain their financial footing due to many Illinois families continuing to be adversely affected by economic challenges resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. The package includes a bill payment assistance program, enhanced payment arrangement options, and special reconnection programs for eligible customers. Each of these programs will be offered for a limited time. [More information available online](#).

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### **DuPage County Public Hearing To Obtain Input on 2019 Action Plan Substantial Amendment #5 on Wednesday, April 14**

DuPage County received approximately \$6.7 million in Community Development Block Grant-Coronavirus Act Funds and is proposing a 5th Substantial Amendment to its 2019 Action Plan. The amendment is summarized in a document which can be viewed on the [DuPage County Community Development website](#). A virtual public hearing to obtain input for the 2019 Action Plan Substantial Amendment #5 will be held on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. Information on accessing a [link to the virtual public hearing meeting can be found here](#). The 30-day public comment period begins April 5, 2021 with written comments accepted until 4:30 pm on May 5, 2021. Comments by interested citizens and organizations can be made via mail to 421 N County Farm Road, Room 2-800, Wheaton, IL 60187 or [via email](#).

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### **DuPage County Health Department Accepting Applications for Contract Tracers Through workNet DuPage**

DuPage County Health Department through [workNet DuPage](#) is accepting applications for individuals to work remotely as a contact tracer and assist with the COVID-19 crisis. Positions are anticipated to last through December 2021 and the pay is \$21/hour. Contact tracing jobs through workNet DuPage are grant funded. To be eligible, candidates must have directly or indirectly lost employment or wages due to COVID-19 and individuals on furlough can qualify. Customer service skills and a working knowledge of computers is required. Interested individuals should email [covidjobs@worknetdupage.org](mailto:covidjobs@worknetdupage.org) for additional information.

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## **IN AND AROUND WOODRIDGE**

**Dancing Easter Bunny, Weekly Story Times & Take Home Crafts:** Families with children of all ages will find original, on-demand programming on the Woodridge Public Library's [YouTube Channel](#), including [Baby & Toddler Movement & Music](#), [Science Adventures with Professor McSmarty](#) and [Bunny Storytime](#) starring the [Easter Bunny](#)! Story times premiere weekly; [Bear](#)

[Wants More](#) goes live March 31. Stop by the Children's Department for *Take & Make* craft kits or get a kit as part of a [Book Bundle Request](#).

**Library Building Closed on Easter Sunday:** The Woodridge Public Library will be closed on Sunday, April 4. Outdoor book returns will remain open throughout the holiday weekend and online resources, including free streaming movies and downloadable books or magazines, are available with a Woodridge Public Library card 24/7/365.

**Save the Date - Woodridge Rotary Club Large Recycling Event:** The [annual Recycling Extravaganza](#), hosted by the Woodridge Rotary Club, will take place on Saturday, May 8, from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Cypress Cove Family Aquatic Park - at the corner of 83rd and Janes Avenue in Woodridge. Detailed information on what can be recycled can be accessed through the hyperlink above.

**2021 Virtual Mustang Trot 5K Run/Walk:** The 2021 Mustang Trot will be a virtual event that has you complete a 5k run/walk anytime between April 10-18, 2021. All participants will be asked to complete a Google Form after they complete their 5k run/walk, which will include the option of uploading pictures of their timing device as well as anything fun they did while running/walking (i.e. wearing a costume, doing something unique, etc.). Race organizers will be in contact with participants the week of April 19 to recognize winners! This virtual 5K is sponsored by the Downers Grove South Key Club to benefit [DuPagePads](#). [Click here for more information including how to register](#).

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