



Woodridge E-News

May 21, 2021

Dear Trevor,

Annual Report

2020



Woodridge
Police
Department



VILLAGE MEETINGS

Village Board Meeting
June 3, 7:00 p.m.
Werch Board Room
5 Plaza Drive

Woodridge Police Department 2020 Annual Report

The [Woodridge Police Department's 2020 Annual Report](#) is now available. The report's objective is to highlight the many accomplishments, initiatives, and programs involving dedicated Woodridge Police Officers. The Annual Report contains a letter to the Woodridge community. "As the Woodridge Police Chief, I am very proud to present our Annual Report for 2020," said Chief Brian Cunningham.

Village Board Meeting

June 17, 7:00 p.m.
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"Although this has been a difficult year for law enforcement, I'm incredibly proud of how our officers handled every challenge. I'm especially thankful for the support we received from the community, the Village Board, and most of all, from our families."

Village Update on COVID-19 Protocols Including Masks Required at Village Facilities

Governor Pritzker recently issued a new [Executive Order](#) in response to the new CDC guidelines issued last week. The Executive Order essentially mirrors the CDC guidance which states that fully vaccinated persons do not need to wear masks except in limited circumstances; and individuals who are not fully vaccinated, must continue to comply with prior guidelines, including wearing masks, social distancing and limiting gatherings.

The Village has reviewed this new guidance and made the determination to continue to follow the existing mask policy regardless of vaccination status which requires the public to wear a mask and socially distance when entering a Village facility and to have Village employees wear a mask and socially distance while in the performance of their duties. The Village will continue the masking policies for all indoor settings open to the public until capacity limits are lifted and/or the state reaches Phase 5. As the Village learns more about the requirements of Phase 5, we will re-evaluate the mask policy. Thank you for your understanding and assistance in keeping the members of the public and Village employees safe, during this transition period.

Village Accepting Applications for Fiscal Assistant I

The Village of Woodridge is seeking a full-time, 40 hour per week Fiscal Assistant I. This position will be responsible for providing analytical and administrative support for the Finance department. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Accounts Payable: invoice entry, tracking, review, processing, and mailing of weekly checks
- Accounts Receivable: support for water billing clerk, entering invoices, and reporting
- Processing payments for water bills, permits, licenses; and reconciling daily cash
- Processing real estate transfer stamps, building permits
- Customer Service, and more.

For more information, and for the employment application, please visit the [Village's Human Resources website](#).



Congratulations to the Class of 2021

The Village of Woodridge would like to congratulate those in the graduating class of 2021 for their perseverance, commitment, and dedication during a school year like no other. Way to go and best wishes on your future!



2021 Road Resurfacing

Infrastructure reinvestment is vital in maintaining the integrity and safety of Woodridge's roadways. Crews will resurface many sections of road under the 2021 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Road Improvement Project, with the work typically including spot curb/gutter repairs, spot sidewalk repairs, and the removal and replacement of the asphalt roadway. The MFT work for 2021 includes resurfacing planned for roadways in the Summerhill subdivision, the area of Meadowwood Avenue, as well as sections of Roberts Drive, Kincaid Drive, Martin Drive and Langley, Carpenter, Koloff, and Martin Courts. The specific roadway sections under construction are available at www.woodridgeil.gov/2021CIP. The construction projects will result in better driving conditions, enhanced safety, and improved road appearance.

Village Accepting Applications for Part-Time Social Worker

The Village of Woodridge, a progressive and vibrant, family-friendly community located in south Central DuPage County is seeking a hands-on [professional Social Worker](#) who will work as a part of the Police Department in their efforts to provide high level law enforcement services to the residents and businesses of the community. This part-time, 25-hour per week social worker will provide services to Woodridge residents who have been referred through the Police Department or Village. The Social Worker reports to the Deputy Chief of Support Services. [More information online.](#)

Position Responsibilities include:

- Provides advocacy, clinical assessments, crisis intervention, referrals, youth services, community programming and training along with short term counseling for residents and victims. Will have an understanding of the juvenile station adjustment process.
 - Possess the ability and aptitude to work in a paramilitary environment alongside police officers and a diverse community.
 - Has the ability to clinically work with individuals, or groups providing crisis intervention, diagnostic group and short-term treatment services.
 - Will demonstrate the ability to problem-solve and work creatively to address social and mental health challenges within the community. Demonstrates empathy and resilience when dealing with victims and their families in crisis intervention, support and referrals.
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VFW Post 1578 Memorial Day Service

Woodridge VFW Post 1578 will have their annual Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 31, at Memorial Park, corner of Janes and Center Drive, beginning promptly at 9:00 am. THERE WILL BE NO PARADE THIS YEAR. The VFW reminds us that Memorial Day is a day dedicated to the dead - to remember those who fell in defense of this country and the ideals which this country stands for. The public is invited to attend the Memorial Day Service.

Illinois State Water Plan Seeking Input

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) is seeking input on the Illinois State Water Plan which has not been updated since 1984. The public is invited from May 25 through 27 to review the recommendations by the Illinois State Water Plan Task Force and provide feedback to ensure that the Plan is addressing Illinoisans' most important water-related needs. Learn more about the history of water planning, IDNR's goals and projections, how to join the Metropolitan Planning Council (MPC) and partners in shaping the future of our State's water [on the MPC website](#). Share your input through the [IDNR webpage](#).

Village Accepting Applications for Temporary Office Help

The Village of Woodridge is seeking [temporary office assistance](#) on a part-time, 30-hour per week basis, in the Public Works Department. This position performs a variety of routine clerical and administrative duties for the department and coordinates the department's service request process. Applicants must be 18 years old to apply. More information on the [Village's Human Resources webpage](#).

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.

Interested in Serving our Woodridge Community? Please Consider Serving on the Village's New Human Relations Advisory Committee

Last October, Mayor Cunningham and the Village Board unanimously approved [Resolution #2020-81](#) "Celebrating the Diversity of our Community and Affirming the Village's Commitment to Diversity, Equality, Equity, and Inclusion for All." As part of that Resolution, they approved the creation of an ad hoc Village Human Relations Advisory Committee ("the Committee") whose purpose would be to help: (i) deepen the Village's understanding of diversity, equality, equity, and inclusion, and (ii) facilitate meaningful community connections, conversations, and dialogue around diversity on behalf of the Village and all of our Woodridge neighbors.

Anticipated Time Commitment

- Monthly meetings – approx. 1-2 hours/month.
- Occasional evenings or weekends, as needed, for community outreach meetings or events
- Committee Term Length: 1-2 years (estimated)

Qualifications/How to Apply:

The Mayor and Board are seeking community members of diverse backgrounds who are interested in dedicating their time to the Committee. If you are interested in serving our Village in this important capacity, please submit a Letter of Interest and a summary of your qualifications that you believe make you an ideal candidate to serve on the Committee.

There are two ways to apply:

1. Mail or email: Please send your Letter of Interest and resume to the attention of: Mayor Gina Cunningham, 5 Plaza Drive, Woodridge, IL 60517 or via e-mail gcunningham@woodridgeil.gov.
 2. Online application: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7NWJZWL>
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CMAP FLIP Program Now Accepting Applications

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) recently opened registration for this year's virtual Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP) program. CMAP is seeking high school and college students in northeastern Illinois to participate in the free summer leadership development series. Sessions will be held on Fridays, July 9 through July 30, for 90 minutes via Zoom. Students who complete all four "FLIP Friday" sessions will receive a FLIP certificate. [Registration closes on Friday, June 11 and is available online.](#)

Help Protect Basic Services in Our Community - Restore Local Government Distributive Fund Payments

The Village of Woodridge has joined 275 municipalities throughout the area in urging Springfield to restore local revenue payments. The Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) is generated from income taxes paid by local residents and businesses and collected by the State before it gets redistributed back to municipalities.

LGDF funds help pay for essential services, such as police services, road repairs and maintenance, garbage collection and flood prevention.

The State promised 10 percent of total income tax collections to municipalities on a per capita basis through the fund in lieu of a local income tax. But in recent years, the State has reduced the LGDF share from 10 to 6.06 percent.

Now, Springfield is considering taking additional money from LGDF this year, which would make local governments even more reliant on property taxes when they are challenged to balance their own budgets and maintain essential services.

We encourage you to contact your State Senator and Representative and let them know that you: 1) oppose further LGDF cuts; and 2) support restoring LGDF payments to the full 10 percent level that had been promised.

Restoring LGDF dollars to our community will help relieve the property tax burden and help ensure that basic services remain in place moving forward.

IN AND AROUND WOODRIDGE

Field Museum: Virtual Dinosaur Tour: Get an exclusive tour of the "Dinosaur Range" at Chicago's Field Museum on May 22 at 1:00 p.m., with mammalian paleontologist William Simpson. [Pre-register](#) for this free Zoom program from the Woodridge Library and their partners.

Downers Grove South Vaccine Clinic: A COVID-19 vaccine clinic will be held at Downers Grove South with the first dose on May 26 and the second dose scheduled for June 16. The clinic will take place between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and is free of charge. This is open to anyone aged 12 and up. [More information online.](#)

Summer Reading Begins May 27: Children will go on a summer reading adventure with pirates, dinosaurs, astronauts, games and crafts; teens and adults can complete a "reading BINGO card" to win a journal or giant candy bars during "Summer Reading" at the Woodridge Public starting May 27. [Sign up](#) for a registration reminder.

VFW Buddy Poppy Days: Woodridge Memorial VFW Post 1578 will hold its [annual Buddy Poppy Days drive](#) on Friday, May 28, Saturday, May 29, and Sunday, May 30. On Friday and Saturday,

the VFW will have members at both doors at Jewel (75th and Janes), and across the street at Walgreens, from 8:00 am to 11:00 am and from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Buying a Buddy Poppy benefits needy veterans and proceeds have to be used for specific purposes including for the aid, assistance, relief, and comfort of needy or disabled veterans, among many other purposes.

"Signs of Spring" Nature Photography Contest: Celebrate the arrival of spring by photographing the magical transformation of nature! The Woodridge Public Library is hosting a "Signs of Spring" photo contest. Submissions will be accepted from May 1 through May 31; winning photos will be displayed on the library's website and winners will receive a gift card. See [contest](#) guidelines.

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