



Woodridge E-News

December 4, 2020

Dear Trevor,

Community Recognition Awards 2020



The Annual Community Recognition Award Winners were announced on Tuesday, December 1 also known as #GivingTuesday. Click the picture above or the link in the article below to view a video slideshow!

VILLAGE MEETINGS

Village Board Meeting
December 17, 7:00 p.m.
Werch Board Room
5 Plaza Drive

Celebrating Those Who Make Woodridge Our Community!

On Tuesday, December 1, Mayor Gina Cunningham recognized members of the Woodridge community for their outstanding community service. [A video slideshow has been created](#) to highlight these wonderful award recipients. Congratulations to all of the award winners!

Village Board Meeting

January 21, 7:00 p.m.
Werch Board Room
5 Plaza Drive

Water Bill Brief

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A Message from Mayor Cunningham

Mayor Gina Cunningham highlighted #GivingTuesday and shared some reflections from 2020 in a message that went out on Tuesday, December 1. [Click here to view the message.](#)

Village Board Passes Resolution In Support Of The Woodridge Police Department's Law Enforcement Professionals

At the November 19, 2020, Village Board Meeting, the Mayor and Village Board unanimously passed [Resolution 2020-99](#), in support of the [Woodridge Police Department's](#) Law Enforcement Professionals. Please honor our first responders and show your support by placing a blue light or tying a blue ribbon on your tree, porch, or fence post in the spirit of #GivingTuesday.

Shop Woodridge this Holiday Season!

The Village encourages you to shop safely in Woodridge this holiday season. The Village is home to a variety of retail / service / restaurant spaces to fulfill your shopping needs. Please support our local businesses by shopping locally, purchasing gift cards, take out, or through curbside. We wish you all a very joyous holiday season!

Santa Comes to Woodridge on December 5

"[Santa Comes To Woodridge](#)" on Saturday, December 5 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon in this **drive by** event at the St. Scholastica Parish, 7800 Janes Avenue in Woodridge. This program allows for cars to drive by, drop off letters to Santa, and receive a free gift bag (limited to 200). This event is sponsored by the Woodridge Special Events Committee.

Plan Commission To Meet Monday, December 7

The next meeting of the [Village of Woodridge Plan Commission](#) will be held on Monday, December 7, 2020 at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be held via Zoom Webinar. The purpose of the meeting is for Plan Commission consideration of a special use permit and a major amendment to a preliminary and final plat and plan of planned unit development for Guiding Light Academy to open and operate a therapeutic day school for students with autism and other behavioral difficulties at 7155 Janes Avenue, in the former Westwood College building location.

December Water Bill Brief Now Online

Did you know that the Village of Woodridge publishes each edition of the Water Bill Brief? That means during the months you do not receive a water bill, you can still find relevant, timely information online. Click here for the [December 2020 Water Bill Brief](#), or the link above in the left hand column.

2015 Ford Explorer Up For Auction

The Woodridge Police Department is [auctioning a 2015 Ford Explorer on eBay](#). This 2015 Ford Explorer Police Package is equipped with a 3.7L, V6 engine, has 112,756 miles, and is being sold, as is, with no reserve. Click the link above for a more accurate description and to place a bid.

Open Building Permit? Schedule Your Inspection Today!

Do you have a permit on a project on your house? Make sure to get your inspections scheduled and approved with the Village. It's all included in the cost of your permit and assures your project is done correctly and to current building codes. Open permits without final inspections, will hold up the sale of your home, and transfer stamps will not be issued. Don't let this happen, get your final inspections and your permit closed. Call (630) 719-4750, for all inspection and inquiries.

The Village also recommends getting a final inspection approval, prior to making final payment on your projects. Get you home improvements done right! Questions? Call (630) 719-4750.

Village's Facility Needs Project Moves Forward With Approval Of Design Build Contract

The Mayor and Village Board voted to approve a design-build contract with Harbour Construction and Studio GC Architecture at the November 19, 2020, Village Board Meeting. The scope is to complete the initial design phase for the new Woodridge Police Department station, new Public Works Salt Dome and Cold Storage Facilities, and renovate the current police department/public works facility at 1 Plaza Drive. This is an exciting next step in the Village's long term facilities needs project. [Read the full press release online](#).

FY2021 Budget Approved

On November 19, the Village Board approved the FY2021 Budget. The total budget across all funds is \$61.4 million against revenues of \$46.5 million, which is balanced by a planned spend down in reserves. The budget maintains core services despite a decline in revenues from the COVID-19 pandemic. The planned installation of UV disinfection systems and virtual meeting modifications to Village meeting rooms are just a couple of ways the Village has responded to the ongoing pandemic. The Village is excited to be moving forward with a much needed Police Facility, improvements to 1 Plaza Drive, and Salt Dome and Cold Storage buildings. Phase 1 of this project is scheduled to be completed in 2021 at an estimated cost of \$5.5 million. For more information on the FY2021 Budget, please visit the [Village's website](#).

IN AND AROUND WOODRIDGE

Woodridge Holiday House Decorating Contest: Show off your holiday spirit and enter the Woodridge Park District's Holiday House Decorating Contest! [Register online](#) and email one photo of your decorations, along with your name and address, to marketing@woodridgeparks.org by

11:59 pm on Sunday, December 13. People's choice voting will take place online December 14 through December 18 via a survey available on the Park District's website and Facebook page. The contest is open to Woodridge Park District residents only and costs \$5 to enter.

Library Offers Curbside Book Pickup, Building Closed: The Woodridge Public Library has closed public access to the building in response to COVID-19 mitigation measures. Books and movies are available for checkout through a Curbside Pickup service. Outdoor book drops will remain open. Details are available [online](#).

Woodridge Library Hosting Special Online Event - See Real Reindeer (Virtually): The Woodridge Public Library is inviting you to a one-of-a-kind virtual program. [Pre-register](#) today and you will receive a Zoom link for this December 20 program at Noon. View real reindeer, live, on camera and learn from an expert. See you there!

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