



VILLAGE VINE

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RECENT BOARD HAPPENINGS

At the Committee Meeting on February 5th, the Board received the first draft of the FY2008 Budget which included recommendations from the Lakes Commission for the Lakes Management Budget. Discussion on the budget was deferred until the March 12th Working Meeting. The Lakes Commission also forwarded several other recommendations to the Board. Discussion of these issues was also deferred to the March Working Meeting.

The Board also discussed boat stickers, a smoking ban, Open Meetings Act amendments, a contract for an outside auditor for FY 2007, codification of ordinances, speed humps, moving utility poles, leaf vacuuming and the proposed sidewalk for Washington Street. It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with moving 5 utility poles on Sunshine Avenue. Com Ed will prepare an easement agreement with the Serbian Monastery to move the poles two feet onto their property. Upon completion of the agreement, the work will be scheduled by Com Ed. On the sidewalk from CVS to Mainsail Drive, easement agreements from property owners in Mariner's Cove, final plans and revised estimates from the Village Engineer are almost complete. Final plans must still be approved by Lake County DOT before the project can be bid for construction.

The Village sent easement agreements to three residents regarding the proposed water main for Sunshine Subdivision. One was accepted, one was denied and the third is under discussion. The only work approved for FY2007 is the installation of a pipe on Lighthouse Lane before the property owner builds a house. This pipe would be capped at the lake and not be used until this project proceeds.

At the Board Meeting on February 19th, the following actions were taken (Board Members present: Golchert, Kowalke, Rogers, Penny, Buckley, Hoppe, Benson):

-Approved Resolution R07-02-01—An Agreement with IDOT for Work Done on Public Roadways. This resolution promises IDOT that the Village will follow all conditions on any permit granted by IDOT for work on State roads for 2007 and 2008. (VOTE: AYES: All).

Larry Leafblad, our County Board Member, addressed the Board with regard to the deer problem. The Lake County Forest Preserve let a contract for \$126,000 to have Southern Illinois University do a deer population study in Rollins Savanna and other forest preserves. This is the first step required to address this issue.

FYI: At every Board Meeting there is a Consent Agenda which consists of Minutes from the previous Board Meeting, Accounts Payable, and the Treasurer's Report for the previous month. Ordinances, resolutions, and funds for projects, which have been previously discussed at Committee, are also listed under the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda is voted on as a whole unless a Board Member asks to have a specific item pulled for further discussion. Minutes are available on the Village website after they are approved. The Accounts Payable or Treasurer's Report are available by calling the Village Hall. Also remember, all meetings are open to the public. Residents are encouraged to attend.

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CANDIDATES FOR THE APRIL 17TH ELECTION...

Running for Village President:

GARY BEGGAN– 8 Sextant Drive

Resident: 20 years

Occupation: Retired

Serves on Plan and Lakes Commissions

Running for Trustee (pick 3):

BOB KOWALKE –15 S. Lake Avenue

Resident: 10 1/2 years

Occupation: Retired

Serving second term as Trustee and eighth year as Village representative to the SWALCO (Solid Waste Agency of Lake County) Board; served one year on Lakes Commission

KEN STEBBINGS– 115 Mainsail Drive

Resident: 8 years

Occupation: Electrical Engineer

President and past Treasurer of the Mariner's Cove Community Association

WENDY KOTULLA –132 Mainsail Drive

Resident: 7 years

Occupation: Real Estate Agent

Vice President of Mariner's Cove Community Association; serves on Plan Commission

DAN PENNY –27 N. Lake Avenue

Resident: 9 years

Occupation: Senior Engineering Manager

Serving second term as Trustee

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMPLAINTS

Residents and visitors drive too fast and disregard stop signs throughout the Village subdivisions. This continues to be an ongoing problem that poses safety issues for all residents, especially children. Last fall the Village offered to write letters to vehicle owners that were reported speeding or disobeying stop signs. Several letters were sent. However, the problem still exists.

Several residents are also riding dirt bikes, ATV's and snowmobiles on Village streets. This is illegal. Any motorized vehicle that is not licensed with the State is not permitted on public streets. If you see these vehicles being driven on Village streets, take a photo and call the Lake County Sheriff and the Village Hall. Tickets can be issued based on photographs and witnesses.

Take action and help alleviate this problem. If you see vehicles speeding or disobeying the stop signs, get the license plate number and call the Village Hall. The Village will send the family a letter. A second call about the same vehicle will result in a visit from the Lake County Sheriff. The Sheriff has also been alerted to problem areas.

Teenage drivers are not the only culprits. Adults are just as guilty of speeding and rolling through stop signs. Springtime is just around the corner and more people will be outside, especially children. Please drive carefully so everyone can enjoy spring.

BE PART OF THE SOLUTION, NOT THE PROBLEM!!!!

LAKES COMMISSION UPDATE

At the Lakes Commission Meeting on January 29th, the members prepared a budget for Lakes Management for FY2008. At the Board's request, they also reviewed all lakes-related ordinances for updates or changes. Zebra mussels, compensation for Lakes Commission attendance at Committee Meetings, aerator slippage and pier requirements for 33 N. Lake Avenue were also discussed. All findings and recommendations were forwarded to the Board. These items will be discussed at the Working Meeting on March 12th.

BOAT STICKERS AND KEYS

INFORMATION ON BOAT STICKERS AND KEYS WILL BE IN NEXT MONTH'S VINE.

LAKE LEVEL GOES UP ON OR ABOUT APRIL 1ST

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS CORNER

SUNSHINE—Upcoming events:

Next Board Meeting— April 12 at 7:30pm

In May: Spring Clean Up and Neighborhood Yard Sale.
(dates to be announced)

Pay your yearly \$20 dues for the Sunshine Neighborhood Association. (send to Pat Bland, 23 N. Lake)

MARINER'S COVE— Upcoming events:

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 28 at 7:30pm.

MARCH MEETINGS

Committee as a Whole – March 5
Working Meeting –March 12
Plan Commission— March 13
Board Meeting— March 19
Lakes Commission - March 26
All meetings begin @ 7: 00pm

Sunshine - April 12 @7:30pm
Mariner's Cove—March 28 @7:30pm

REMINDERS:

- **WHO'S RUNNING FOR OFFICE IN APRIL? SEE PAGE 2.**
- **BURNING SEASON BEGINS APRIL 15 AND ENDS MAY 15.**
- **READ MINUTES FROM VILLAGE MEETINGS ON-LINE AT WWW.THIRDLAKEVILLAGE.COM**
- **PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG(S)!!! FAILURE TO DO SO IS AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION SUBJECT TO FINES.**
- **TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS...SEE PAGE 3.**
- **UNLICENSED MOTOR VEHICLES (DIRT BIKES, ATVS, SNOWMOBILES) ARE NOT ALLOWED ON VILLAGE STREETS OR PRIVATE PROPERTY.**

VILLAGE HALL OFFICE HOURS: MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS, 8:30AM TO 2:30PM

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