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The Village of Third Lake has recently amended the Boating Ordinance which will be in effect for the 2021 boating season. After careful consideration from the Village staff, Trustees, Attorneys, and residents, the Boating Ordinance (21-01-01) passed at the January meeting.

The changes to the ordinance are as follows:

All watercraft larger than ten (10) feet need to be registered with the Village even if they are exempt from IDNR registration. This now includes sailboats and pontoons that are used as floating islands on the water. Kayaks and canoes do not need to be registered if they are less than 10 ft..

Temporary passes are good for three (3) consecutive calendar days. In the past it was only identified as a 3-day period.

The fee schedule was modified to two categories for gas powered motors. The categories are for 25 hp or less and over 25 hp. The amount for the fee remains the same. The non-motorized craft category added the over ten (10) feet wording.

The key deposit fee was reduced from \$350 to \$100 for a temporary key.

The definition of, “Lake Community” was added in order to allow residents in the unincorporated areas that neighbor the lake to purchase boat stickers at the resident rate. The residents in unincorporated Lake Villa (Druce Lake) and unincorporated Grayslake (Third Lake) are required to purchase boat stickers since the lakes are regulated by the Village. Since the unincorporated areas are not residents of the Village, the last ordinance would have required them to purchase a guest pass at \$55 for a 3 day period. The Village feels this was unreasonable to charge this amount to these residents who have enjoyed the lakes for many years. This new ordinance will legally allow the residents of these identified unincorporated areas to purchase boating stickers at the Village resident rate for boating season.

We have added the ability to display a, “Yellow Flag” during periods where critical information needs to be relayed to boaters, swimmers, and other people using the lakes. If you see the, “Red Flag” at posted spots then the entire lakes are a No-Wake Zone. A, “Yellow Flag” will indicate there is important information regarding the lakes so please check the Village website, social media, or call the Village Hall for further details. This type of information could be related to toxic algae blooms or when the lakes are being treated for invasive vegetation species.

Since electric motors are getting larger we identified a limit on the horsepower that are allowed on Druce Lake. Motors with an equivalent of more than 15 hp are not allowed on Druce Lake.

Open water distance swimmers need to be visible to other boaters. Swimmers are required to wear a high visibility cap or tow a high visibility float. If you do not have either of these options you may always have a person paddling near you on some floating device (kayaks, canoes, paddleboards, or watercraft).

Lift station locations were clarified as to be adjacent to the pier (water landing place).

Lakefront lot owners who have family members living in Third Lake, who do not live on the water, are allowed to keep a boat on the family member’s water landing place. In the past, the boat was required to be registered to the owner of the lakefront property causing a parent/child to have to change their registration in order to keep the boat at their pier. Please remember that any boat using either Third Lake or Druce Lake needs to be registered with the Village and stickers are only issued to residents of Third Lake or the unincorporated areas as defined in the ordinance.

The penalty section was updated to follow the other ordinances in the Village.

Please see the Village website for a list of all the ordinances at www.thirdlakevillage.com

Village Hall Hours And Important Phone Numbers

Weekdays: 8:30am-2:30pm
Weekends: Closed
Open 30 minuets prior to all scheduled meetings (6:30-7pm)



We Need Your Contact Information!

Help us know who you are by emailing your contact information so we can keep you up-to-date on what's happening in the town and lakes! Send your information to www.thirdlakevillage.com

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Lake County Sheriff
847.377.4000

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Area Libraries

Grayslake Library
847.223.5313
Warren Newport
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847.224.5150

Utilities

Commonwealth Edison
800.334.7661
Nicor
888.642.6748
North Shore/
People’s Gas
847.336.9300
AT&T
800.244.4444
Comcast Cable
800.266.2278
Waste Management
800.796.9696

Lake County
Public Works
847.377.7500

Park Districts

Grayslake Parks
& Recreation
847.223.7529
Warren Township
Parks & Sports
847.244.1106 x6

School Districts

School District #46
847.223.3650

Woodland District #50

847.816.2530
Grayslake Central HS
District #127
847.223.8621
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District #127
847.986.3100

Township Offices

Warren Township
847.244.1101
Avon Township
847.546.1446

Animal Control

847.377.4700

February Meetings

Committee	March, 1st
Plan Commission	March, 9th
Board of Trustees	March, 15th
Lakes Committee	March, 29th

Meetings begin at 7:00pm at the Village Hall

Get Ready to Vote on April 6th!

Third Lake will be voting for Mayor and three Trustee positions on Tuesday, April 6th, 2021. Please make sure you exercise your right and get out to vote!

Early Voting is Available

Early voting will begin on Friday, March, 12th at the County Clerks Office in Waukegan. County wide early voting will begin on Monday, March, 22nd at designated polling places. A government-issued ID is not required, but is helpful if there is a question about the voter's registration, address or signature. You can find the nearest voting sites by visiting their website at www.lakecountyclerk.com.

Verifying Voter Registration & Polling Place

To verify your registration, find out where your polling place is or to see a sample ballot, visit www.lakecountyclerk.com and enter your home address under "Your Voter Information."

Spring Leaf Burning

April 15 - May 15

Dry leaves, brush, branches under 1 1/2" in diameter and yard waste may be burned between April 15 and May 15 and between November 1 and November 30 only.

Burning is permitted between the hours of 9 am and 3 pm only and only allowed in a fireproof barrel or receptacle that is elevated above ground by at least 6" but no more than 24" Burning is not permitted:

When wind is in excess of 15 mph

Within 20' of any building or structure

Within 25' of any wetland, lake or other body of water, or Lake County Forest Preserve property

On Village streets, sidewalks or other public right of way.

Fire must be attended at all times by a person 16 years of age or older.

Must have a water source and adequate means of delivering water immediately adjacent to the fire.

WASTE MANAGEMENT ANNUAL SPRING TRASH CLEAN UP DAY IS...

On your scheduled trash day during the week of April 26. The cleanup will include all residential household rubbish & small motor vehicle parts drained of all fluids (gas, oil, washer fluid, antifreeze, etc.). Furniture will be collected as long as it is manageable for the driver to pick-up. Carpeting must weigh no more than 50 lbs after it is rolled and taped or tied and also cannot exceed 4ft in length and 2 ft in width.

Happy Spring cleaning!

Mariner's Cove Grant Announcement Phase One...

Druce Lake Peninsula Shoreline Restoration Project

The Mariner's Cove HOA Board is pleased to announce that on December 2, 2020 at the Watershed Management Board meeting, Mariner's Cove was awarded a Des Plaines River Watershed grant. This grant includes a 50% reimbursement for expenses associated with our Druce Lake Peninsula Shoreline Restoration project. This project is the first phase of a planned three-phased water management and restoration project for Mariner's Cove ponds. This project includes community involvement with credit for volunteer hours, restoration, shoreline stabilization, and native plantings.

"The Druce Lake Peninsula (DLP) Shoreline Restoration Project is the first phase of a multi-phase project to improve and restore the functionality of stormwater BMPs in the Mariner's Cove HOA which will ultimately contribute to the overall health of Druce Lake, Third Lake and associated waterbodies in the Des Plaines River watershed, including the Des Plaines River.

The scope of this project includes the restoration of 410 feet of shoreline around DLP including the boat launch area, peninsula and channel receiving water from upstream stormwater retention basins. The banks of this channel have been gradually undercut, scoured and eroded away caused by an increase in peak discharges resulting from land use changes and an increase in annual rainfall amounts as documented in the recently updated Bulletin 70.

Erosion is contributing to sediment and phosphorous loading into Druce Lake, leading to an overabundance of algae and nuisance aquatic vegetation growth. This shoreline restoration project will rebuild the shoreline and help prevent future erosion issues. A native plant buffer will also aid in erosion protection by holding soil in place with their deep roots. The buffer will reduce the severity of flooding issues by slowing down water flow and increasing stormwater absorption, helping to reduce flood damage while also improving water quality and providing habitat for wildlife dependent on native plants for survival."

Work on this project is planned for summer/fall 2021. Announcements on volunteer opportunities will be made on our community Facebook page. A big thank-you goes to Mariner's Cove residents Jill and Steve Charbonneau who worked tirelessly on our grant application.

Village of Third Lake

Stay Connected



Want to know what's going on in the Village? Make sure you stay in the loop with important information on our website at ThirdLakeVillage.com and by connecting with us on Facebook.

It is also important that we have your email addresses and phone numbers for more time-sensitive information and for those who don't use social media. If you are a renter, we need to hear from you too.

Feel free to contact us at 847-223-8422

or email us at thirdlake@comast.net.



Lake News

Good news for all who like to fish! We will be restocking the lakes soon with bass and walleye this Spring and pike in the Fall.

Make sure you're up to date on your fishing license before you throw your first cast! You can find the link to the DNR on the Village website or go to <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/LPR/Pages/FishingLicensesFees.aspx>



COVID-19 Need to Get Tested?

State testing sites are still open! Nasal swabs are available 7 days a week 8AM to 4PM. Results come in 4-7 days and the tests are completely free! Find out more about COVID-19 testing information by visiting the following website:

www.lakecountyil.gov/4435/COVID-19-Testing

Vaccine Notification

Lake County AllVax Portal is Now Open! Lake County residents can now register to be notified when a COVID-19 vaccine is available to them. Registering online is easy at AllVax.lakecohealth.org or call Lake County Health Department at (847) 377-8130.

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Skunk Mating Season is Here!

Did you know...



- Skunks can accurately direct the spray up to 10 feet away, with some spray reaching almost 20 feet.
- Skunks warn you by stamping their front feet and fully extending their tails.
- Got Skunked? If you or a pet gets sprayed, mix 1 quart 3% hydrogen peroxide, 1/4 cup baking soda and 1 tsp liquid soap. Do not add water. This solution can be used to wash skin, clothes, or pets. Do not use the solution on the pet's face near the eyes.
- Got Skunk? Contract a licensed trapper. The Village has a reimbursement program and will pay for 50% of the removal expense, up to \$75 per animal.
- Skunk in the street? If possible, bag the skunk and place it in the trash. If not please call the office and we will contact Avon Township Highway Dept. or landscapers for removal.
- Lake Co. Health Dept. will not pick up dead animals.

BOARD HAPPENINGS

The 2021 Village Meeting Schedule is currently posted on the Village website and Facebook. You can see this along with further details of minutes and zoning at, www.thirdlakevillage.com or Village of Third Lake Facebook page.

The Village Board has approved the following:

A 50% reduction cost of business & liquor licenses purchased from May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2022. Letters will be going out soon to individual business.

Accounts Payable dated, February 16, 2021 totaling \$35,278.38.

Great news! We are now in Phase 4 of Restore Illinois so future Board meetings will take place at the Village Hall, instead of holding Zoom calls. The public is welcome to attend and the Village is open a half hour before meetings. Please see the Village website at www.thirdlakevillage.com for information.

Masks are required to enter the Village Hall and social distancing will be enforced.