

Hampshire Hot Topics

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Village President

Welcome

This is our first official newsletter, we will try our best to inform the citizens of Hampshire of current news, events, ordinances or rates. As time goes on we will work out the kinks. But we would love to hear feedback from you to help us help you. What pertinent information would you like to see?

New to Hampshire is: Hampshire Pet Resort & Spa at 225 Industrial Drive & Prime Time Fitness Center at 225 Industrial Dr. Unit 5 is now OPEN!!! Please stop by and say Hi.

Village Clerk

The Scoop

Each quarterly we will feature have column called: **"DID YOU KNOW"** which will spotlight information about clubs, organizations, citizen or business's.

Please if you have a complaint, please take a picture of it and send it to me and I will try my best to resolve the issue.

Ever think of volunteering for the Village Zoning Board or Plan Commission? There are currently open seats on each of these advisory boards. Meetings are held periodically, on an "as needed" basis. Appointments are for a 3 or 5-year term (or, to fill a vacancy to the end of an existing term). Send your written letter of introduction / candidacy to the Village President @ Village Hall, 234 S. State Street.

Village Committees

What's Happening

A brief behind the scenes of what the committees are working on. Let's check it out GG:

PUBLIC SAFETY

Trustee Reid:

Summer is winding down which is unfortunate, but that means cooler temperatures Football and changing leaves. We have had a nice summer in or little town and here is to hoping for an even better fall!! Coon Creek Days has come and gone with a lot of fun had by all. Thanks to the park district we were able to keep all of the attendees' safe with the new lightening detection system.

Thanks to our police department for keeping us safe. Did you know that SafeWise ranked us number 6 on their list of the 20 safest cities in Illinois? Last year we were ranked 16. The Hampshire Fire Department Protection District and the Village purchased more fire hydrant flags to be affixed to more hydrants this year, thanks to the HFPD for doing the work of securing them to the hydrants. Have a great rest of the summer and an even better fall, thank you for your part in making Hampshire the greatest town in Illinois!!

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Village Services

Trustee Kraus:

Just recently finished a 5 year contract with Waste Management. Remember last day of yard waste Pickup is November 30th.

Seniors will not be charged to switch out to smaller bins.

I will be having my last Oil Recycling for the year on October 1, 2016 from 9am-11:30am.

Fields & Trails

Trustee Koth working on the following:

Making a new sign for the new Veterans Memorial Park by the future Village Hall. Monitoring ponds and trails for up keep issues.

Economic Development

Trustee Brust:

I have been working with the DCEO (Department of Economic Development) to procure funding for improvements to the water and sewer infrastructure to the truck stop area to encourage commercial growth in that area and eliminate the need for the Village to borrow funds to do this multi-million dollar and other critical needs area in the Village. The assistance from Finance Director Lori Lyon has been a great help with this project. I have also contacted U.S. Representative Randy Hultgren for assistance with this project. We have in the past year meetings with U.S. Senator Mark Kirk's office to present a viable plan for an AMTRAK addition to the rails that run thru Hampshire. If funding is made available Hampshire would have access to commute/travel to the lowa state line as well as Union Station in Chicago.

I have also been working with management at the CITGO fuel depot on Rt. 20 for a complete remodel including another hotel.

Notable grand openings were the Speedway facility at Rt. 20, Incredible Builders 102 Park St., REMAX Deal Makers 113 W. Oak Knoll and Prime Time Fitness.

Staff - Current things

Street Department:

ASH TREES: We will be removing, stump grinding and dirt/seed around an additional 100 ash trees this fall.

LEAVES: As a reminder, the Village does not have a leaf pick up program, so please do not deposit leaves and/or grass clippings into the street.

Water/Sewer Department:

Forty residents throughout the village had drinking water samples taken from their homes. The samples were sent to a private lab for lead analyses. None of the forty samples had any detectable levels of lead. The Village of Hampshire's drinking water is free of lead.

Utility Department:

If you receive an **ESTIMATED WATER BILL** that means your water meter is malfunctioning and you need to call the Village Hall to setup an appointment. 847-683-2181 x25.

The due date on your Utility Bills has been changed to the first Friday of the even months.

Police Department:

Please keep an eye out for children playing Pokémon.

Building Department:

Exterior Home Repair Checklist:

Check your home top to bottom, now, so you can enjoy you're the summer.

Walls: look for holes, decay, peeling paint, missing brick or mortar.

Chimney: make sure it is structurally sound and look for loose or missing bricks.

Doors: (including your garage door) check for weather tightness and secured hinges and locks.

Foundation: check for any holes or cracks.

And a reminder: if you are doing the work,

Get a BUILDING PERMIT.

Check our website:www.hampshireil.org – Under how do I: To apply for a permit.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SPECIAL EVENT

OCTOBER 31ST

HALLOWEEN

TIME TRICK OR TREAT 4-7 P.M.

Please be alert with children crossing the streets.

Reminder:

October 31- Halloween -Trick or Treat hours 4-7 p.m.

November 1st No Parking Ban in the street goes into effect

November 6 - Daylight Savings Time ends

November 8 - Election Day VOTE

November 30 -last day of yard waste pickup.

DID YOU KNOW?



Boarding

Doggie Day Camp

Self Wash Dog Wash

Training

Grooming

Call us now about your free evaluation and complimentary half day at the Doggie Day Camp for new clients!!!



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DID YOU KNOW

Five easy ways to conserve one of your most valuable resources- and your money \$\$\$\$. Checklist before vou call.

- 1) Check every faucet in your home for leaks. Just one slow drip can waste 15/20 gl. a day.
- 2) Keep your shower time to five minutes and fill your tub to five inches.
- 3) Run your dishwasher or washing machine only when you have a full load. Even when your washing machine has a short cycle, it's a more efficient use of water when there are enough dirty clothes for a full load.
- 4) Put a couple of drops of food coloring in your toilet tank. Without flushing watch the bowl water to see if any color shows up in the bowl. A leak like this can cause a loss of 100 gl. per day.
- 5) Water your lawn and garden early or late in the day, not in the midday heat. A single lawn sprinkler spraying five gallons per minute uses 50% more water in just one hour than a combination of 10 toilet flushes. 2- five minute showers, 2 dishwashers loads and a full load of clothes.

ON THE SIDE

Did you know that Hampshire has 4"- 16" Water main add them all up = 58 miles –existing. How far would that be? From Hampshire to Utica.

We have 8"-36" Sanitary Sewer which equates 45 miles of Sanitary Sewer.

How many water main breaks have occurred on Terwillger?



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