

Village of LINDENHURST

DEVELOPING TODAY FOR TOMORROW

Village to Focus on Road Resurfacing, Lake Michigan Water Improvements This Summer

This summer, the Village will see construction underway in preparation to bring Lake Michigan water to Lindenhurst. This Spring, the Village started the bidding process for Phase I water main improvements. These water main improvements consist of installing underground water main from the proposed ground storage reservoir in Falling Waters to other areas in the community. Streets affected by Phase I improvements include Country Place, Rosewood Crossing, Barn Swallow Drive, Merganser Court, Sand Lake Road, Beck Road, East Thornwood Drive, Valley Drive, Woodlane Drive, Old Elm Road and Lindenhurst Drive.

In May, the bidding process will commence for the ground storage reservoir that will be located in Falling Waters next to the existing water tank. It is anticipated that construction for both the water main and the ground storage reservoir will start in the summer of 2015. The Lake Michigan water project is on schedule to be completed in June of 2017. For more information and to view a map of the proposed water main improvements, please visit www.lindenhurstil.org/lakemichiganwater.

Additionally, this summer the Village will be resurfacing residential streets that have deteriorated. Historically, the Village resurfaces roads every other year, and 2015 is a resurfacing year that will include all of the streets in the Mallard Ridge area: Cardinal Court, Dittmer Lane, Larkdale Court, Nightingale Court, Oriole Court, Partridge Circle, Quail Court, Robincrest Lane and Munn Road. Pinecrest Lane and Witchwood Lane are also included in 2015. In addition to MFT funding, the Village has allocated an additional \$450,000 for road resurfacing in FY 2015/16. There are several streets in the area of Phase I water main improvements that are in need of resurfacing. In conjunction with the water main replacement on East Thornwood Drive, the Village will resurface area streets including East Thornwood Drive, Ironwood, Highland, Bonner and Sunset.

Other Construction Highlights

- The Village held a public meeting in March regarding the Beck Road reconstruction project. This project is in the design engineering phase. The Village is currently evaluating resident feedback as part of the project's final design development. It is estimated that bidding for this project will occur in Spring of 2016.

Answer:
\$166,846



2015 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Notification

Please go to www.lindenhurstil.org/2014waterreport to view your 2015 annual water quality report and learn more about your drinking water. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water during 2014. If you would like a paper copy of the 2015 Annual Water Quality Report mailed to your home, please call Village Hall at (847) 356-8252.

From the Mayor's Desk

Although I'm your new mayor, I hope that you already know me as I've been on the Village Board for the last 8 years.

For those who don't know me, I've lived in Lindenhurst for 27+ years. My wife Linda works at the Lindenhurst Park District and we've been happily married for 33+ years. We have 2 grown children, Vince (recently married to Mary) and Michelle, who are both employed in and live in Lake County. My mother Joanne and sister Teri also still live in the area. I am employed by Uline in Pleasant Prairie as a Senior Manager of Information Technology, and I'm also a board member for the Lake Villa Township Lions Club.

What's my philosophy? It's no different than Mayor Lahr's or the rest of the Board - provide great customer service, keep our employees satisfied

and motivated, and continue to improve our financial position.

What are our priorities? 1) Complete our Lake Michigan water project on time and on budget 2) complete the Beck Road reconstruction on time and budget and 3) continue to recruit good businesses to our community to meet our residents' needs and provide additional sales tax revenues. I'll cover these topics and others in future newsletters, but visit our village website if you're looking for more information in the meantime.

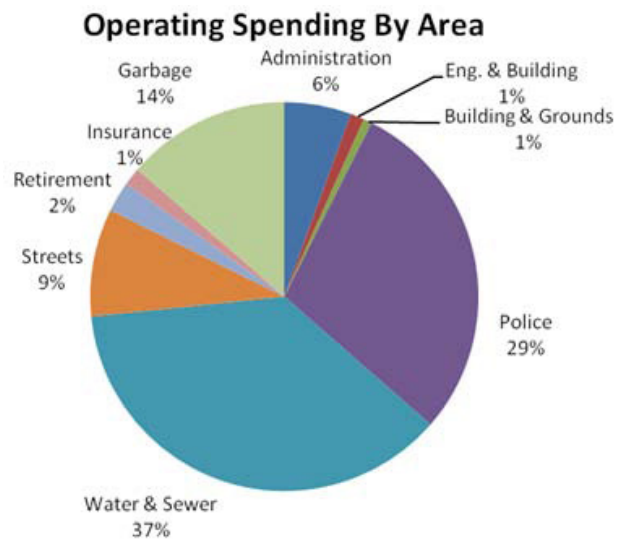
Let me end by saying how excited I am to begin my new role working with the Board, the village's employees, and most importantly working for you!

Sincerely,
Dominic Marturano

2015/2016 Budget Highlights

The Village has several funds to pay for needed community improvements and infrastructure projects. Typical projects include street resurfacing, bike paths and sidewalks, water main replacement, and sanitary sewer system improvements. Major community improvements slated for FY15/16 include:

- **Beck Road Phase I & II Design Engineering:** The Village has been successful in securing \$3.2 million in Federal grant dollars for the reconstruction of Beck Road from Grass Lake Road to Sand Lake Road. This year's budget includes funding for Phase I & II design engineering.
- **Lindenhurst Drive Flood Mitigation Grant Local Share:** This project provides a local cost share for a federal grant to improve flooding conditions in the Lindenhurst Drive area.
- **Pavement Patching:** Funding is allocated to address problematic roads in the Village.
- **Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Removal & Replacement:** The Village has developed a 15-year program that involves the removal and replacement of all public ash trees in the Village. This is year 3 of the program.
- **Grand Avenue Pump Station Rehabilitation:** This project involves the rehabilitation of the existing pump station located on Grand Avenue.
- **Additional Road Resurfacing:** The Village is adding funds for additional road resurfacing for roads affected by the Phase I Lake Michigan water upgrades.
- **In-Squad Camera System Replacement:** The Village will upgrade and replace cameras in seven Police squad cars.



A summary of operating spending by area for FY 15/16.

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Linden Notes

Landscape Collection Underway

Landscape service is underway and runs through November 23. Landscape waste includes grass, shrubbery, small tree limbs and weeds. Sticker service: Each sticker is \$3.19 and one must be affixed to each 32-gallon container or Kraft bag placed curbside each week. There is no limit to the number of containers that may be placed curbside with sticker service. Subscription service: This service is \$135 annually. Residents may place up to four 32-gallon containers or Kraft style bags curbside each week; any additional containers would require a sticker. Stickers can be purchased at the following locations: Groot's website (www.groot.com), at Walgreens (399 S. Rte. 45), or Butera Finer Foods (1500 W. Grand Avenue). For more information, please contact Groot at (847) 693-2700.

Online Utility Billing System

You may pay your utility bill online at www.lindenhurstil.org/utilitybilling or www.accessmygov.com. Once you're at this site, you will select the Village of Lindenhurst from the list of available municipalities. Then enter your 12 digit account number (ten digits followed by the two numbers after the dash). You will not need to set up an account – you simply need to enter your account number each time you want to pay your bill. Once you're logged in, you can access your entire

account history and make a payment. We do not offer a credit card auto debit payment program. Visa, Discover, Mastercard and American Express credit cards are all accepted. Please contact Village Hall at (847) 356-8252 if you have any questions about online utility bill payments.

Rain Barrel/Compost Bin Reimbursement Program

The Village of Lindenhurst and the Environmental Commission are proud to announce a new 50/50 rain barrel and compost bin reimbursement program. This program will allow residents to be more sustainable by reducing residential water consumption or improving soil and plant life. Residents will be reimbursed 50% of the cost of a single rain barrel OR compost bin up to \$75, excluding sales tax, delivery, accessories, etc. Program dollars will be dispersed by the Village to the homeowner after proof of purchase is demonstrated with a paid receipt and proof of residency is verified. Households may participate once during the Village's fiscal year (May 1 – April 30). Funds are available on a first come, first serve basis.

Shoreline Stabilization Program

The Village offers a lakeshore stabilization program for residents who own lakeshore property. Through this program, the Village will reimburse residents who plant acceptable shrubs and plantings that help to preserve the shoreline and water quality of the lakes. The list of acceptable plantings

is taken from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and is located at www.lindenhurstlakes.com.

- First come, first serve basis as budgeted funds are available
- Eligible residents may be reimbursed 50% of their expenditure up to \$100
- Residents must submit a receipt to Village Hall that itemizes the acceptable purchase
- A list of acceptable shrubs and plantings will be available on the Village website

Tree Replacement Program

The Village offers a program to assist residents who wish to plant a tree. Under this 50/50 tree replacement program, the Village will reimburse residents who wish to purchase a new tree for their property or parkway area.

- Residents will be reimbursed 50% of the cost of a single, acceptable tree, excluding sales tax, delivery, installation, etc. up to \$200
- HOAs may purchase one tree
- Program dollars will be dispersed by the Village to the homeowner after the purchase of a new tree
- Households can participate once per year
- Residents can submit a receipt to Village Hall for reimbursement
- First come, first serve basis as budgeted funds are available
- A list of acceptable trees is available on the Village website

Where do my property taxes go?

As depicted in this picture, the Village of Lindenhurst receives less than 3% of your total tax bill. A \$250,000 home pays an average annual tax bill of approximately \$9,300 with just \$261 of that going to the Village.



School Districts

Lake County, Lake Township, Park District

Library District, Fire Protection District

Community Room Available at Village Hall

The Village Hall repair work is completed, and we now have a community room that can be used by various groups or committees in Lindenhurst, such as homeowners' associations. Please call Village Hall to reserve the new community room for a meeting.

To promote a healthy environment, the Village has banned the use of fertilizer containing phosphorus. Support our efforts to reduce overgrowth of vegetation in our lakes.



For more information on all Village programs, please contact Village Hall at (847) 356-8252

Q: Total spending is estimated to be lower in FY 15/16 than FY 14/15 by what amount?

The Village of Lindenhurst is pleased to recognize the following business anniversaries from May to July: North Suburban Physical Therapy (4 years); Sindy's Signature Hair Salon (9 years); Advanced Chiropractic & Acupuncture Center (14 years). Thank you for your contributions to the Village!



Culverts 101: How Residents Can Maintain Their Infrastructure

What is a culvert? A culvert is a pipe located in the right-of-way, usually under a driveway, that allows water to drain from one area to another. Culverts allow water to drain more effectively than to pool on the roadway, which causes traffic hazards and road deterioration. You may not realize it, but many houses in Lindenhurst have culverts located at the base of and underneath your driveway. It can be easy to ignore culverts until a problem arises. Most culverts are made of metal, steel, aluminum or plastic and can erode or corrode from road salt, erosion and the weather's elements. They can also become clogged from sediment, dirt and other materials.

Similar to a driveway apron, a culvert falls under the homeowner's responsibility for maintenance and repairs. Here are some tips for maintaining your culvert:

- Keep the pipe free from obstructions, like debris, silt, garbage, litter, etc.
- Be watchful after an inclement weather event for increased debris build up
- Monitor the pipe to ensure it's not corroded or eroded
- Ensure the pipe is aligned correctly and that the ends are not collapsed
- Watch for large brush or other large items upstream that may get caught in your culvert

Here are some signs your culvert is in need of repair:

- The roadway and driveway is sinking, uneven or you see a sinkhole
- The pavement has cracks or settling on the driveway or roadway surface
- The pipe is eroded or corroded - this may mean the integrity of the pipe is compromised and should be repaired

These all may be signs that your culvert is damaged. For more information on how to maintain a culvert, please contact the Village at (847) 356-8252.



Pictured above is a culvert that was not properly maintained. As a result, the driveway is cracked and sinking.

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Village Board meetings are scheduled on the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall, 2301 E. Sand Lake Road. Please visit www.lindenhurstil.org for more information.

