Village of LINDENHURST
DEVELOPING TODAY FOR TOMORROW

Village Continues Balanced Budget Approach for Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018

The Village Board recently reviewed the draft budget for fiscal year 2017 - 2018 (May 1, 2017 - April 30, 2018), which is balanced in all major operating funds for the ninth consecutive year.

Spending in the Village’s General Fund, which pays for general municipal services like police protection, street maintenance, right-of-way maintenance, and building and construction inspections, is up $106,370 from last year, and is projected to operate at a surplus.

In addition, the fiscal year 2017-2018 budget includes a number of major infrastructure improvements throughout the community.

Operating Spending By Area

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Highlights include:

- Engineering design for the repair and resurfacing of Lake Shore Drive, Sprucewood and Hawthorne. These streets are eligible for federal funding, which would cover 80% of the project costs.
- Year 5 of the Village’s Multi-Year Emerald Ash Borer Removal Project
- Road Repair and Patching throughout the Village.

Community Calendar
Visit www.lindenhurstil.org for more details about all Village events:

- May 13, 9:00 a.m. - noon: Pet Vaccination/Microchip Clinic, Public Works Garage, 2301 E. Sand Lake Road; http://health.lakecountyil.gov
- May 20, 10:00 - noon: Environmental Commission Plant Exchange Village Hall, 2301 E. Sand Lake Road
- May 29: Village Hall & Postal Substation closed for Memorial Day
- May 29: Memorial Day Ceremony at 10:00 a.m., Veterans’ Memorial/Village Hall, 2301 E. Sand Lake Road
- June 14: Park District Concerts in the Park series begins; www.lindenhurstparks.org
- July 4: Village Hall & Postal Substation closed for Independence Day
- August 10 - 13: Lindenfest, 2301 E. Sand Lake Road

Question: How many years has the Village been designated as a Tree City USA community?

2016 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Notification
Please go to www.lindenhurstil.org/2016waterreport to view your 2016 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 2016.

If you would like a paper copy of the 2016 Annual Water Quality Report mailed to your home, please call the Village Hall at (847) 356-8252.
From the Mayor’s Desk

At our March 20th Village Board meeting, we reviewed our 2017-18 budget. We reiterated our commitment to finish:

- Our Lake Michigan Water project— The receiving facility near Falling Waters should be completed by this summer, and the transmission pipes from Gurnee/Grandwood Park should be completed by late-fall.

- The Beck Road project— Although we finished paving and concrete work on Beck Road, we did not get to finish all of the restoration work for those homeowners on Beck. We plan to complete this restoration work as soon as the weather permits.

- Our Emerald Ash Borer project— We plan to complete the removal of the remaining 325 Village ash trees, which will be ahead of schedule.

We approved spending on additional community projects, but timing for these projects are still being developed.

On another note, I stopped into our new car dealership - Zeigler Nissan - to introduce myself to the manager. As some of you may know, the new Zeigler Nissan dealership is now open for business. As we’ve reiterated a “Shop Local” focus in the past, I’ll remind you that the Village receives a portion of any sales tax dollars collected by our local businesses – including Zeigler Nissan!

Please help me spread the word to neighbors and friends– Shop Lindenhurst whenever possible.

SPRING CLEANING TIPS - PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE REMINDERS

Now that the warm weather seems to be settling in, it is a good time to think about home and property maintenance. The Village has adopted the International Property Maintenance Code that governs general conditions of property, including:

**Landscaping**
Grass should not exceed 8 inches in height, and weeds are not permitted. The burning of yard waste is not permitted.
Shrubbery and trees should not encroach over public sidewalks, nor block the line-of-sight for roadway traffic.

**Vehicles**
No vehicle may be parked on the front lawn or obstruct a public sidewalk. Boats, RVs, and trailers have size and parking restrictions. All vehicles shall be operable, with current plates displayed. 2 AM to 6 AM street parking is prohibited.

**Garage Sales**
Only 2 garage sales are permitted within a calendar year, and may not exceed 4 consecutive days in duration. Signs can not be affixed to lamp posts, fences, mailboxes, electric lights, utility poles, street signs, or public buildings.

**Structure Maintenance**
Display reflective address numbers, a minimum of 4-inches high, using a color contrasting with its background.
Keep trim and wall exteriors free from chipping/peeling paint and rotting wood. Maintain hand and guard rails.

**Storage/Debris**
All garbage must be sealed in a tight-fitting container, and may not be stored in front of the house. Receptacles, yard waste, and other items can be placed roadside after 6 PM the night before a scheduled pick-up, and must be removed by 8 PM the day of pick-up. Keep yard free of litter/debris. Store toys, bicycles, and tools inside. Remove animal waste regularly.

Please remember that building permits are required for roofs and siding, garages, new windows, patios, decks, fences, generators, water heaters, interior renovations, and other home improvement projects. Visit [www.lindenhurstil.org](http://www.lindenhurstil.org) for more on Village Codes and permits.
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 $12,227 (Millburn School District) and $10,899 (Lake Villa School District), with just $311 of that going to the Village.
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.

The Village of Lindenhurst is pleased to recognize the following business anniversaries from April to July:
- Advanced Chiropractic & Acupuncture Center (17 years);
- All Suburban Driving School (8 years);
- BP Amoco (17 years);
- Brainstorm (14 years);
- Chase Bank (10 years);
- Cruise Planners (4 years);
- Grace Cleaners (23 years);
- Great American Tire (18 years);
- Linden Liquors (6 years);
- Nino's Gyros (5 years);
- North Suburban Physical Therapy (7 years);
- Red Sun (11 years);
- Richard's Building Supply (8 years);
- RJ's Eatery (36 years);
- Rosati's Pizza (21 years);
- Sindy's Signature Hair Salon (12 years);
- Studio One Photography (11 years);
- and Tiger Tae Kwon Do (5 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.