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Lincolnshire is Reimagining Economic Development and Land Use Planning Through the Comprehensive Plan Update

The "Aspire Lincolnshire" Comprehensive Plan update is coming into focus after gathering community feedback, collecting data, and evaluating existing conditions over the past year. Launched at the end of 2022 and slated for adoption in early 2024, the Comprehensive Plan update will help reimagine the Village's economic development strategy, among other key areas, as a blueprint for the next decade and beyond. Village staff and Teska Associates, the Village's lead consultant on the plan, are drafting recommendations on how the Village should approach land use decisions and reuse of vacant or underutilized properties - an issue facing many communities nationwide.

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The COVID-19 pandemic accelerated hybrid and remote work practices, and this new reality is here to stay. The amount of retail and office space nationwide exceeds demand, and logistics warehouses are the hottest corner of the real estate market. Examples of this impacting our region can be found close to home. Long-time Allstate headquarters on I-294 is being torn down and replaced with warehouses. Hawthorn Mall, Northbrook Court, and Buffalo Grove Town Center are all undergoing major changes in use and form.

These trends are also seen here in the Village. CDW and Alight recently terminated or restructured their office leases in favor of consolidating office space and reducing their physical footprint. With Lincolnshire's current retail and office vacancies of 30% and 25%, respectively, the Village needs a new approach to turn the tide and reenergize our corporate and commercial areas. Another market factor that Lincolnshire is not immune to is corporate bankruptcies, which were witnessed with the recent closures of Regal Cinemas and LTD Commodities.

Village officials believe the redevelopment of the former 43-acre Aon Hewitt site at the northwest corner of Half Day Road and I-94, as well as other redevelopment opportunities within the Corporate Center, will create a positive ripple effect throughout the Village. Planning & Development Manager Zozulya stated, "Lincolnshire's development pipeline, as well as an enthusiastic team of public and private partners, has a tremendous opportunity to strengthen Lincolnshire's position in the region." Lincolnshire continues to enjoy its role as a highly desirable community for businesses and residents thanks to its strong spending power, top-notch schools, high-quality services, and an enviable location in the region. The Comprehensive Plan will help us regain and maintain economic development momentum for years to come.

To see the work done to date on the comprehensive plan update, offer input, and learn more about the project, scan the QR code.

Panattoni Warehouse/Office Campus Nearing Board Approvals

A proposal for two-200,000 square-foot warehouse/office buildings is expected to be presented to the Village Board in the near future. Located at 15730 Aptakisic Road, west of the Sysmex headquarters, the proposal is being reviewed by the Architectural Review Board before returning to the Village Board for final review/approval later this fall. Construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2024. No tenants are known at this time, yet market indicators suggest logistics or distribution users being interested in the site.

Former Hewitt Property Still in Negotiation for Purchase

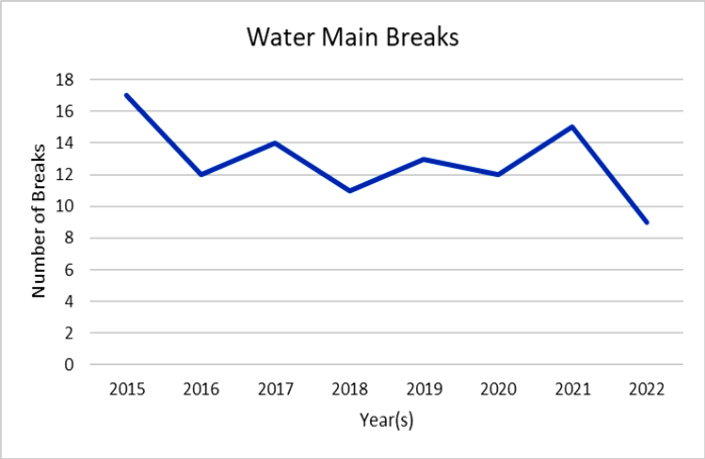
The potential sale of the 43-acre property at the northwest corner of Half Day Road and I-94, formerly occupied by Aon Hewitt, is still being negotiated. After the plans for the large athletic complex known as The St. James failed to materialize in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, the property was listed for sale. The Village has been in contact with the current property owner to understand the status of the sale, but ownership has yet to agree to terms with a prospective buyer. The vacant office buildings have been demolished which makes the site nearly shovel-ready for new construction. Based on the existing zoning for the property, the Village envisions a mixed-use development, though specific businesses will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

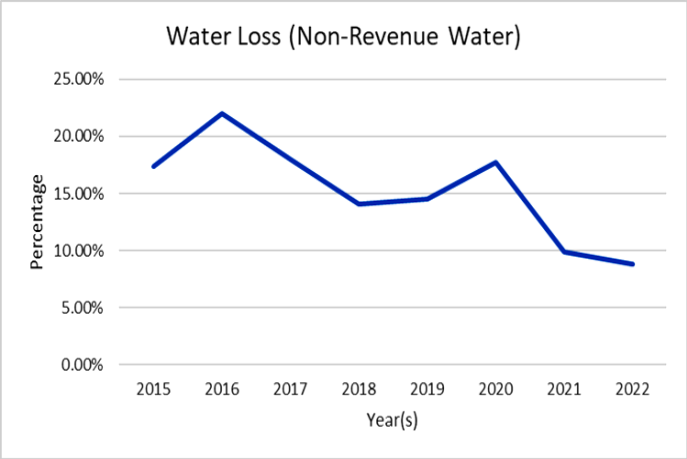
New Businesses – Welcome to Lincolnshire!

- Drop The Bop, a Korean American fusion restaurant - 910 Milwaukee Avenue
- Gameday Your Way, a personalized tailgate and ticketing company, 100 Tri-State International
- Thrive Wealth Group, a wealth management company - 200 Tri-State International
- Vista Link Health, a health clinic - 100 Tri-State International

Investments in Water System Infrastructure Paying Off

The Village of Lincolnshire has been making significant investments in its water system infrastructure, ensuring we have clean, safe drinking water. Since 2015, the Village of Lincolnshire has spent over $10 million replacing nearly 5 miles of watermain. Over this period, these investments have reduced the amount of watermain breaks and water loss, saving taxpayers more money in the long run. While construction season is never fun, it does pay off!





When It Rains, Check Your Drains

Public Works crews try to keep storm sewer grates clean, but they might not get to all of them throughout the Village, and it doesn't take much to clog a grate and cause issues. You can help by checking grates around your neighborhood and removing debris to prevent flooding during heavy rain events. If the debris is too large for you to remove or you observe any road flooding, call 847 -913-2380 (Monday – Friday, 6:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.) or 847-883-9900 (after hours).

Avoid the Fine! Relocate Your Sump Pump Discharge

Residents are required to redirect sump pump discharges from the street to their rear yard between November 1 and April 1 each year. Sump pumps discharging into the street can cause ice buildup, create safety hazards for motorists and pedestrians, and damage the roadways and snow removal equipment.

Back to School Safety Reminders

School is back in session, and Officers will be conducting extra patrols in the school zone areas. With the back-to-school season here, the Lincolnshire Police Department would like to take the opportunity to remind everyone about a few key safety topics related specifically to pedestrians, bicycles, and school zones. We encourage all pedestrians to utilize any available curb-side traffic control signals and cross at a corner or an intersection with an available crosswalk. When the crosswalk is clear, look left-right-left for moving cars and when safe, walk into the street. Keep alert when crossing the street, using your eyes and ears, to observe any signs of a car about to move toward your direction. Pedestrians who decide to cross the roadway in any area not marked with a crosswalk are required to yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.

Riding a bicycle on the roadway requires all bicycles to obey the same traffic laws as vehicles on the roadway. For instance, bicyclists are required to come to a complete stop at a stop sign or at an intersection with a red light displayed. Like pedestrians, we encourage bicyclists to use crosswalks and use traffic control signals whenever possible. The police department encourages everyone to wear their helmet while riding a bicycle. Once at school, please remember to lock your bike up in a properly designated area to avoid someone stealing your bike.

When traveling through a marked school speed zone, remember to please lower your vehicle's speed accordingly. A vehicle is required to reduce its speed to 20mph on school days when children are present. In addition, cell phone use and texting while driving is prohibited in all areas. Vehicles are required to stop for school buses displaying flashing lights and extended stop arms in any area with two or fewer traffic lanes. This includes situations where buses are loading and unloading students in the parking lot area of the school. Last, vehicles are required to stop and yield the right-of-way to any person in the crosswalk. The Lincolnshire Police Department wishes everyone another successful, safe school year.

Social Hosting – Parents Who Host Lose the Most

Alcohol is the number one substance used by high school students in the United States, however, minors are not always solely to blame. Illinois social hosting laws hold adults responsible. Social hosting is defined as adults who knowingly permits persons, under the age of 21, to consume an alcoholic beverage on or within the property they control or own. Persons in violation of Illinois social hosting laws can see penalties varying from fines to possible jail time.

Social hosting not only negatively impacts adults, but alcohol use in teens can be dangerous to their physical and mental health. Possible risks and consequences include, but are not limited to developmental impact, dependency on alcohol or other substances, poor decisions, falling behind in school, and possible injury or death.

Protect yourself and your children. Don't be a party to teenage drinking.

Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Process Underway

The Village of Lincolnshire is in the process of composing its Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. The Budget process began in July when staff presented the 5-Year Financial Forecast and 10-Year Capital Plan to the Village Board. Future steps include the compilation of operating expenses, updating key performance indicators, goal setting, and budgeting revenues. The Fiscal Year 2024 Budget will go into effect on January 1, 2024. Keep an eye out in the upcoming Winter Newsletter for a summary for the 2024 Budget and key projects the Village plans to accomplish next year.

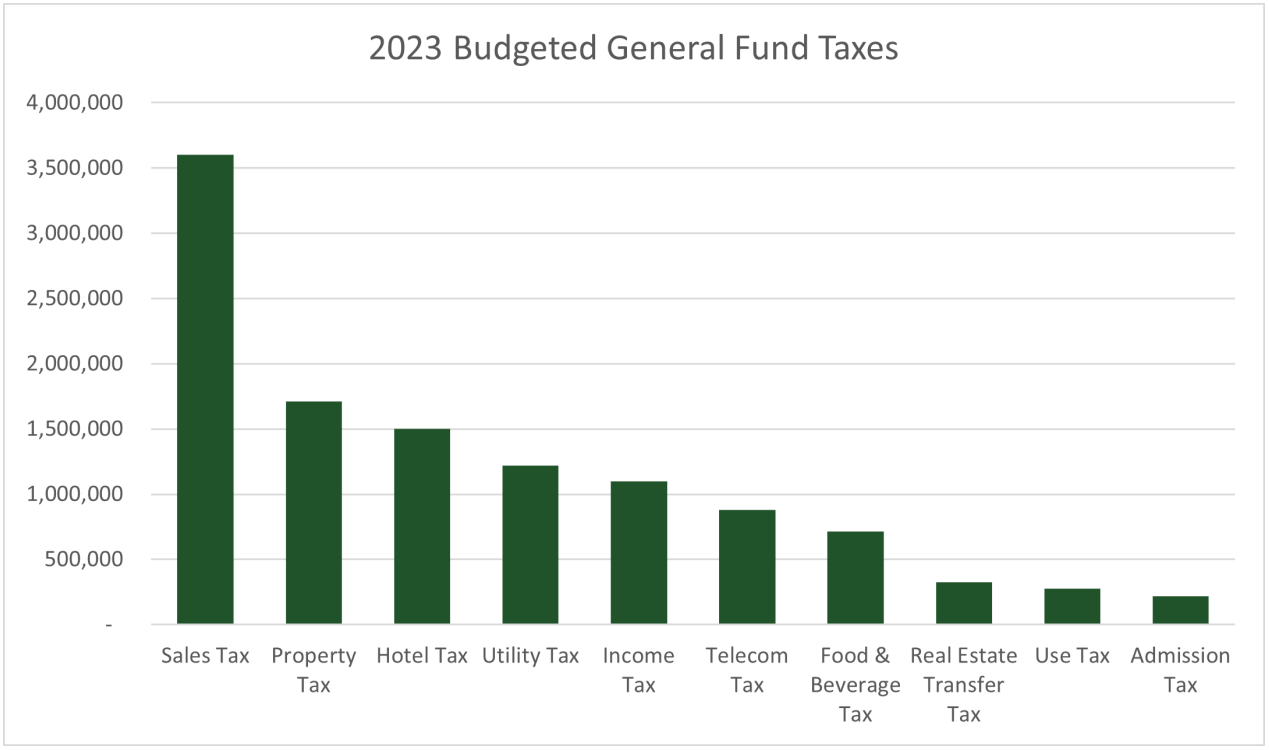
How are My Property Taxes Used?

The Village is responsible for providing countless services to residents and businesses including police protection, snow removal, park maintenance, road maintenance, water and sewer service, community events, permitting, storm water management, and much more. To provide these services, the Village needs proper personnel and equipment. How does it all get funded?

You may be surprised to learn that the Village receives less than 3% of your total property tax bill. The remaining 97% of your property taxes are allocated to other, independent agencies, with over 70% going directly to the school districts in Lincolnshire. Over 80% of the revenue used for general Village services comes from other tax sources including sales tax, income tax, room/admission tax, and more. The remaining revenue is derived from sources like licenses and fees, fines, grants, and investment earnings. It's pretty remarkable how far your dollar goes for Village services!

How Can I Stay Updated on Lincolnshire's Finances?

The Finance Department prepares a multitude of reports which are posted on the Village's website – but perhaps the best report to understand Village finances is the Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR). The PAFR is an easy-to-read financial document meant to summarize the Village's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, also known at the Audit. All financial report can be accessed through this QR code.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

4 - Labor Day - Village offices closed

6 - Waste collection delayed to Thursday, September 7

7 - The Village Club Kick-Off - 217 Brampton Lane, Lake Forest, - 5 - 8 p.m.a

14 & 28 - Food Truck Thursday by Van Vlissingen - 300 Knightsbridge Parkway, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

20 - Wednesday by the Lake Concert Series Featuring Rod Guico - One Overlook Point, 12 p.m.

21 - Vernon Area Public Library Blood Drive - 12 p.m.

21 - Summer in the Shire Concert Featuring The Flat Cats - Village Green, 7 - 9 p.m.

26 - Annual Hire Lake County Job Fair - Marriott Lincolnshire Resort, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

28 - Vernon Area Public Library Memory Café - 530 Barnard Dr., Buffalo Grove, 2 - 3 p.m.

OCTOBER

26 - Vernon Area Public Library Memory Café - 530 Barnard Dr., Buffalo Grove, 2 - 3 p.m.

27 - Boo Bash - North Park, 5 - 8 p.m.

31 - Halloween Trick-or-Treating, 4 - 8 p.m.

NOVEMBER

5 - Daylight savings ends - set clocks back one hour

7 - Lincolnshire Garden Club fall bulb sale. Visit **lincolnshiregardenclub.com/fundraisers**

18 - Final Curbside Electronics Recycling - visit **LRSrecycles.com/Lincolnshire** for details

23 & 24 - Thanksgiving Holiday - Village offices closed

30 - Vernon Area Public Library Memory Café - 530 Barnard Dr., Buffalo Grove, 2 - 3 p.m.

DECEMBER

1 - Lincolnshire Lights - Village Green, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Get a Head Start and Sign Up for the Riverside Foundation Oktoberfest 5K Run/Walk

This second annual 5K is organized on behalf of the Riverside Foundation, whose mission is to provide quality services and support to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in a positive, caring environment. Join us on September 24 for a run/walk through the beautiful neighborhoods of Lincolnshire and reward yourself afterward at Half Day Brewing with an Oktoberfest post-race party! Register at RaceRoster.com, search for "Oktoberfest 5k" and click on the "Lincolnshire, IL" option.
Direct link: https://raceroster.com/events/2023/75126/oktoberfest-5k-runwalk

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Architectural Review Board
September 19 - 7 p.m.
October 17 - 7 p.m.
November 21 - 7 p.m.

Board of Trustees/ Committee of the Whole
September 11 - 7 p.m.
September 26 - 7 p.m. (Wednesday)
October 9 - 7 p.m.
October 23 - 7 p.m.
November 13 - 7 p.m.
November 27 - 7 p.m.

Park Board
September 18 –7 p.m.
October 16 - 7 p.m.
November 20 - 7 p.m.

Police Pension
October 24 - 6 p.m.

Zoning Board
September 12 - 7 p.m.
October 10 - 7 p.m.
November 14 - 7 p.m.

Fall Leaf Collection Season Begins October 23

All eligible neighborhoods are serviced weekly during the leaf collection season, which runs from October 23 through December 1. Leaf collection costs are $36.99/year, and all LRS customers under the Village's contract are assessed this fee. Residents paid approximately $60/year for leaf collection under the previous contract. Residents are responsible for disposal of any leaves after the last pickup date by either working with a private landscape contractor or utilizing the normal curbside composting/yard waste collection program, which runs through December 13.

To ensure the best leaf collection experience, follow these simple tips and reminders:

Leaf Collection DO's

√ Rake leaves to the curb by Monday at 7 a.m. each week during collection season. Collection may not necessarily occur on the same day every week.
√ If you have a landscaper, discuss your options and notify them of the leaf pickup schedule before the season begins. Some landscapers may charge up to $20/week extra to haul away leaves. You may experience a net-savings because of the Village's leaf collection program by simply asking your landscaper to place leaves along your parkway and not haul them away.

Leaf Collection DON'Ts

√ Do not place leaves in the street. This creates dangerous driving conditions and clogs storm sewers.
√ Do not mix brush, garden waste, tree limbs, vines, or other yard waste with the leaves. These materials can lead to equipment damage and must be properly disposed through the Village's weekly curbside composting program.
√ Do not block access to the leaves with cars or other obstructions. If the leaf collection truck can't access the leaves, they won't be removed and you'll have to wait another two weeks before the leaves can be collected.

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Toys for Tots

The season of giving starts now! The Village of Lincolnshire is proud to partner with Toys for Tots to bring joy and smiles to children in need. You can make a difference by donating new, unwrapped toys at Village Hall until Monday, December 11. Or join us for Lincolnshire Lights on Friday, December 1, where we will have a special toy donation station. Let's fill the box with toys and spread some holiday cheer!