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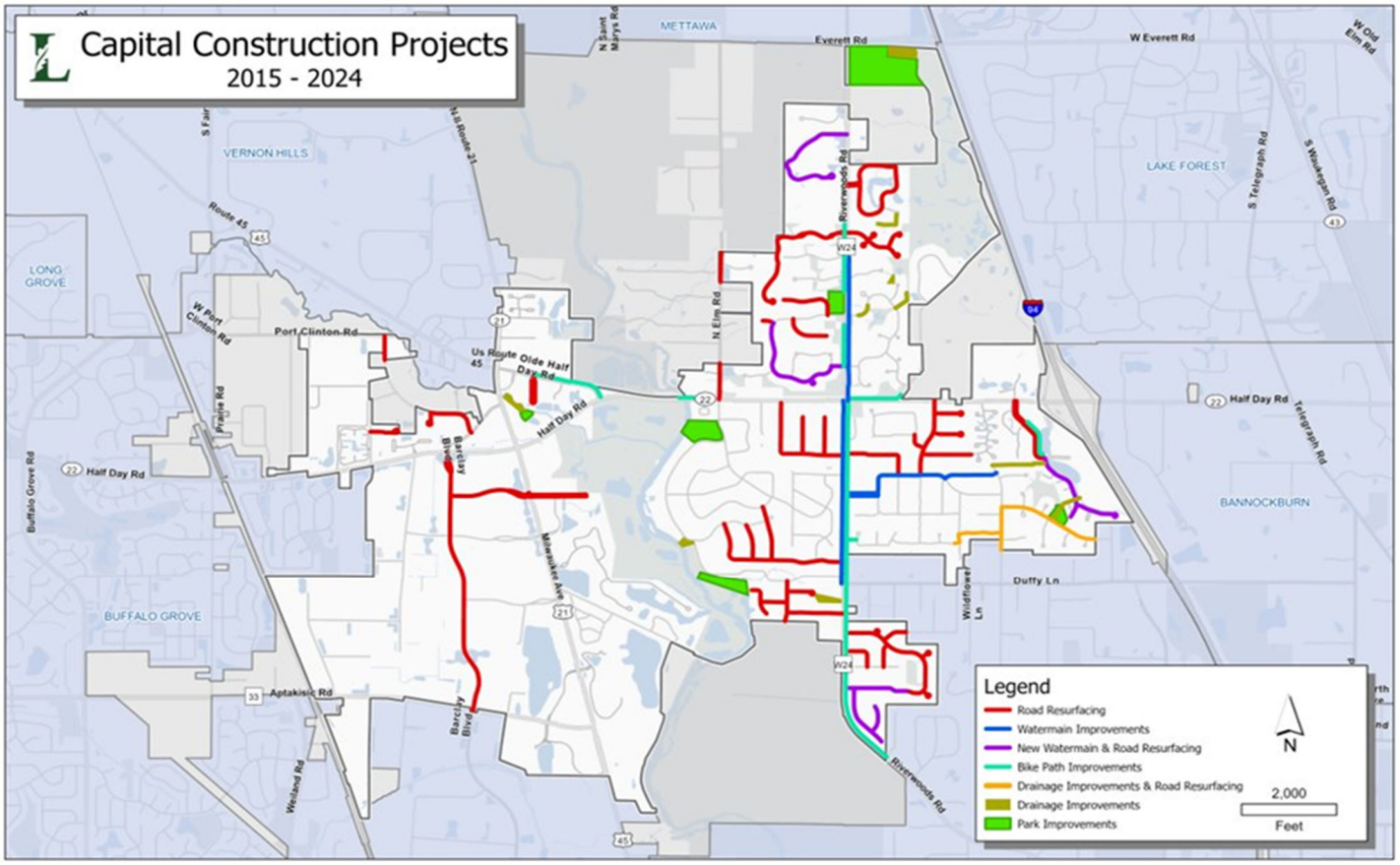


## Capital Improvement Program

Dear Residents,

The Village Board is pleased to share with you infrastructure investments highlights in Lincolnshire since 2015. The Capital Improvement Plan reflects Lincolnshire's commitment to enhancing the community's infrastructure, public services, and overall quality of life. The Lincolnshire Village Board maintains a fiscally conservative approach to budgets and expenditures. For nearly a decade, Lincolnshire has maintained the **lowest municipal property tax** rate among nearly all Lake County communities. The Village's 0.29 tax rate remains significantly lower than neighboring municipalities, such as Libertyville (0.69) and Deerfield (0.77), and underscores a dedication to providing exceptional services while minimizing the resident tax burden. Historically, Lincolnshire uses non property tax revenue sources (sales tax, food & beverage tax, hotel tax) to pay for Village operations and significantly invest in projects to maintain and improve Village facilities, roadways, utilities, parks, and storm sewer systems.

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## Capital Improvement Program (continued from previous page)

Since 2015, Lincolnshire has executed on an aggressive capital improvement plan to care for Village infrastructure without burdening residents and businesses via increased property taxes. To keep roads in top condition, since 2015 the Village has allocated $6.9 million for resurfacing projects. This investment ensures smooth and safe travel throughout the Village. In 2023, 60% of Lincolnshire roads were rated in "good" or better condition. This is a substantial improvement from 2017 when 46% of roads were rated "good" or better. We remain committed to maintaining this standard by resurfacing two miles of road per year, alongside regular patching and crack sealing.

The community has invested $14.8 million since 2015 to enhance and modernize water infrastructure, ensuring reliable and safe water service for all residents. $4.8 million were dedicated to park improvements over that same period of time revitalizing community spaces and offering residents of all ages safe and enjoyable environments for recreation and leisure. Lastly, with the anticipated completions of the current Windsor Drive storm sewer project, the community will have invested over $8.1 million in stormwater improvements since 2015 mitigating flood risks and protecting our homes and businesses from severe weather events. The Village Board is pleased to report all infrastructure investments, with exception of storm water improvements, were accomplished without issuing debt.

These investments demonstrate a commitment to enhancing the quality of life in Lincolnshire while maintaining financial integrity. Our roads, parks, water systems, and storm water infrastructure have all seen significant advancements and improvements, and these efforts will benefit residents for generations to come.

Together, we are building a stronger, more vibrant Lincolnshire. I am confident the initiatives and investments we are making today will yield lasting benefits for years to come. Thank you for your continued trust and support as we work towards a bright future for our Village.

Warm Regards,

*Elizabeth J. Brandt*

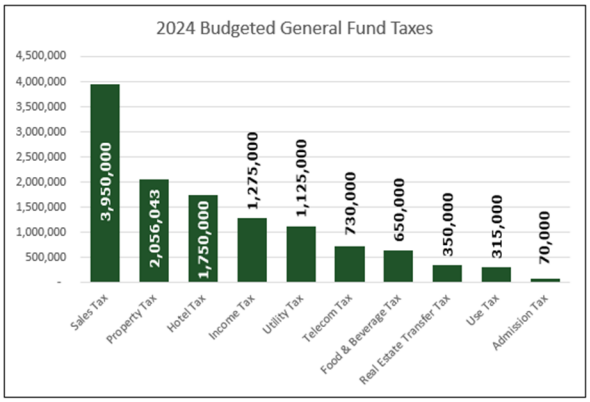
Elizabeth J. Brandt, Mayor

## Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Process Underway

Lincolnshire has a rigorous process for researching, vetting, preparing, and adopting its annual budget. The Village kicked off the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Budget process during the July 22 Committee of the Whole meeting with presentations of the 5-Year Financial Forecast and 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan. Next steps in preparing the FY 2025 Budget include compiling operating expenses, goal setting, and budgeting for revenue. The FY 2025 Budget will go into effect on January 1, 2025, following a budget workshop, public hearing, and adoption by the Village Board.

### Where does the money come from?

Over 85% of the revenue used for general Village services comes from tax sources such as sales tax, income tax, hotel tax, amusement tax, and utility tax. 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 taxing bodies, with over 70% going directly to the school districts in Lincolnshire. The remaining revenue the Village receives comes from sources like licenses and fees, fines, grants, and investment earnings.




### How does the money get spent?

The Village provides services to residents and businesses, including police protection, street maintenance and snowplowing, park maintenance and community events, water and sewer services, and much more. Personnel costs comprise approximately 70% of Lincolnshire's operating budget, and the Village proactively plans for equipment replacements in its 10-Year Capital Improvement Program.

## New Businesses – Welcome to Lincolnshire

- Diabetes DME, a diabetes monitoring provider – 1 Overlook Point
- Onyx Fitness, a personal fitness studio – 430 Milwaukee Avenue
- Pragma IT, a technology consulting provider – 1 Overlook Point
- Shrewd Techlink Services, a technology consulting provider – 1 Overlook Point
- Z&Z Nails Spa,  a nail salon – 900 Milwaukee Avenue

## Lincolnshire Unveils a New Comprehensive Plan & Begins Implementation

After more than 18 months of dedicated work, the Village is excited to announce the adoption of its new Comprehensive Plan, available on the Village website and at the Village Hall. The Plan, crafted in collaboration with a community steering committee, elected officials, and Teska Associates, Inc. (the Village's consultant) sets the course for future growth and development. The Plan outlines strategic goals for land use, transportation, economic development, housing, sustainability, and community facilities. Its purpose is to ensure Lincolnshire remains a vibrant, thriving community for residents and businesses alike.

The planning process involved significant public engagement, including community meetings, surveys, and workshops. The steering committee, comprised of village officials, residents, business owners, and community leaders, played a vital role in shaping the plan's vision and goals.

Key elements of the plan include:

- Strengthening commercial corridors and gateways.
- Redeveloping and activating vacant properties.
- Introducing new uses and experiences to meet consumer demand.
- Creating a mix of housing to accommodate current and future residents.
- Developing community gathering spaces.

The new Plan positions Lincolnshire to stand out among suburban communities, fostering a strong sense of community while promoting sustainable growth and development. The Village is already taking action to implement the Plan's recommendations, including updating its Economic Development Strategic Plan and commencing a housing study to identify additional housing types to meet the needs of current and prospective Lincolnshire residents. For more information about the Comprehensive Plan, contact Tonya Zozulya, Planning & Development Manager, at 847-913-2313 or tzozulya@lincolnshireil.gov.

## Take Part in the Season of Giving with Toys for Tots

The season of giving shines bright in Lincolnshire! Partnering with Toys for Tots, the Village invites everyone to bring new, unwrapped toys to Village Hall for children in need. Donation opportunities will also be available at the Lincolnshire Lights event on December 6 at the Village Green. Together, let's fill the box to the brim and wrap the community in the warmth of holiday cheer!

## Back to School Safety

With the school season underway, it's important to keep in mind the following tips for picking up, dropping off, or commuting to school. Share these tips with your children before sending them off to school.

**Route Planning**: Plan and practice safe walking or biking routes, and use designated sidewalks/paths and crosswalks.

**Walking:** Use sidewalks and bike paths when available, walk facing oncoming traffic, stay alert and avoid distractions like phones.

**Biking:** Wear a helmet, ride in a single file line on the right side of the road, use hand signals before turning, and come to a complete stop before walking bikes across the street.

**Bus Safety:** Know the bus number and stop location, arrive at the bus stop early, stay at least three giant steps (six feet) away from the curb, and wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before approaching.

**Boarding and Exiting:** Use handrails when getting on and off the bus, always walk in front of the bus (never behind), and ensure the driver can see you.

**Behavior on the Bus:** Follow the driver's instructions, remain seated, keep aisles clear, and avoid loud noises that could distract the driver.

**Emergency Contacts:** Ensure your child knows how to contact you and other trusted adults in case of an emergency.

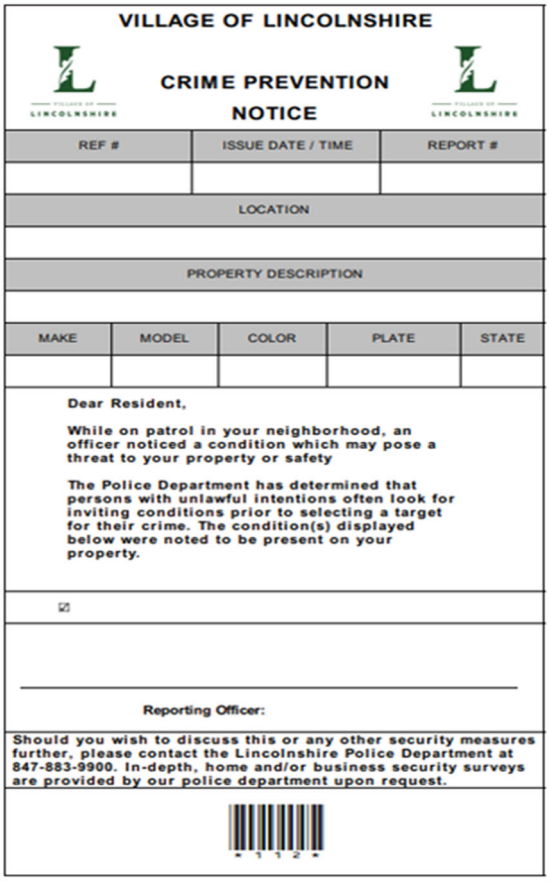
By talking about and following these steps, we can work together to ensure a safe and successful school year for everyone.

**Stevenson High School Resource Officers Lill and Holst**

## Keep You and Your Family Safe with Crime Prevention

Lincolnshire residents safety is a Lincolnshire Police Department top priority. There has been recent increases in vehicle burglaries and thefts throughout the Chicago region. Avoid being a victim of these crimes by following these three simple steps - **take your keys, lock your doors, and hide your valuables**.

Lincolnshire police officers patrol neighborhoods and identify potential crime risks. Officers issue Crime Prevention Notices when they notice something about your home or property that may present an opportunity for crime. The notice is NOT a violation of a Lincolnshire ordinance or State law. Instead, the Police Department uses notices to reduce crime opportunities and enhance public safety. Examples of crime opportunities includes open garage doors, unsecured doors, unsecured bicycles, valuables in plain view, and packages left at doors. If you receive a notice and want to discuss further, call 847-883-9900 to speak with an officer.



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CRIME PREVENTION NOTICE

| REF # | ISSUE DATE / TIME | REPORT # |
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LOCATION

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

| MAKE | MODEL | COLOR | PLATE | STATE |
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Dear Resident,

While on patrol in your neighborhood, an officer noticed a condition which may pose a threat to your property or safety

The Police Department has determined that persons with unlawful intentions often look for inviting conditions prior to selecting a target for their crime. The condition(s) displayed below were noted to be present on your property.

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Reporting Officer:

Should you wish to discuss this or any other security measures further, please contact the Lincolnshire Police Department at 847-883-9900. In-depth, home and/or business security surveys are provided by our police department upon request.

## When It Rains, Check Your Drains

Public Works crews work hard to keep storm sewer grates clean. Autumn poses challenges with the buildup of fallen leaves and other organic debris from the summer months. Residents 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)

## Fall Leaf Collection Season Begins October 21

Leaf collection is available to all single family residential LRS customers serviced under the Village contract. Weekly leaf collection season begins October 21 and ends November 29. Residents must rake leaves to the curb by Monday at 7 a.m. weekly during collection season. Collection may not necessarily occur on the same day every week.

Residents are responsible for disposing any leaves after the last pickup date. This may take place through the Village's normal curbside composting/yard waste collection program which ends on December 11.

If you have a landscaping contractor, notify them of the leaf pickup schedule before the season begins. Some landscapers may charge extra to haul away leaves.

**How to prepare leaves for collection**

- Leaves must be raked into manageable piles, ideally no wider than 3' by 4'.
- Have your leaves raked to the curb by 7 a.m. Monday each week of the collection season
- Leaves must be placed at your curbside, three feet away from the street.
- **DO NOT** place leaves in the street. This creates dangerous driving conditions and clogs storm sewers.
- **DO NOT** combine brush, garden waste, tree limbs, vines, yard waste, or other materials with the leaves. These materials can damage leaf removal equipment. Yard waste disposal is available through the Village's regular weekly curbside composting program.
- **DO NOT** block access to the leaves with cars or other equipment. If the leaf collection truck cannot access the leaves, they will not be collected and will be left until the next week's collection period.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER

- **12 - Food Truck Thursday & Lakeside Concert, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at 1 Overlook Point**
- **12 - Summer in the Shire Concert Series featuring *Dr. Mark & The Sutures*, 7 p.m. at The Village Green**
- **22 - Riverside Foundation Oktoberfest 5K, 10 a.m. at Half Day Brewing**
- **23 - Hire Lake County Job Fair, 11 a.m. at Lincolnshire Marriott Resort**
- **26 - Food Truck Thursday & Lakeside Concert, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at 1 Overlook Point**

## OCTOBER

- **7 - Riverside Foundation 28th Annual Golf Outing, 9:30 a.m. at Royal Melbourne Country Club**
- **25 - Boo Bash, 5 - 8 p.m. at North Park, 1025 Riverwoods Road**
- **31 - Halloween trick-or-treating, 4 - 8 p.m.**

## NOVEMBER

- **2 - Daylight savings - set clocks back one hour**
- **14 - Registration due for electronics recycling. Visit LRSrecycles.com/Lincolnshire**
- **16 - Electronics recycling**
- **28 & 29 - Thanksgiving Holiday - Village offices closed**

## Get Ready for Boo Bash 2024!

Get your costumes ready and join us for a "spooktacular" evening at Boo Bash. This family-friendly Halloween celebration will take place Friday, October 25 at North Park (1025 Riverwoods Rd.) from 5 – 8 p.m. The event promises a night full of fun, thrills, and chills for all ages.

Attendees can ride attractions, collect goodies, and even enjoy live entertainment. Don't miss the excitement along the haunted trail for a frightful experience. Get crafty with pumpkin decorating activities., and indulge in delicious treats from food trucks and vendors.

Boo Bash is the perfect way to celebrate Halloween with family and friends. Dress for the weather and bring a bag for all your trick-or-treat goodies.

For more information, visit www.lincolnshireil.gov/i-want-to/special-events/boo-bash

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Architectural Review Board**
September 17 - 7 p.m.
October 15 - 7 p.m.
November 19 - 7 p.m.

**Board of Trustees/ Committee of the Whole**
September 9 - 7 p.m.
September 23 - 7 p.m.
October 14 - 7 p.m.
October 28 - 7 p.m.
November 11 - 7 p.m.
November 25 - 7 p.m.

**Park Board**
September 16 –5:30 p.m. (Park Tours)
October 21 - 7 p.m.
November 18 - 7 p.m.

**Police Pension**
October 29 - 6 p.m.

**Zoning Board**
September 10 - 7 p.m.
October 8 - 7 p.m.
November 12 - 7 p.m.

## Save The Date for Lincolnshire Lights

Join us for the 2024 Lincolnshire Lights Friday, December 6, from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. This festive evening will feature a special visit from Santa Claus, holiday caroling, and the magical lighting of the tree. Warm up with sweet treats and drinks while enjoying the joyful atmosphere, a perfect way to start the holiday season with family and friends.

Mark your calendars and do not miss out on this community tradition. Be sure to look up at the skies for a special surprise that will light up the night at this annual event.

For more information, visit www.lincolnshireil.gov/i-want-to/special-events/holiday-tree-lighting

## Elections

As the 2025 municipal election approaches, Lincolnshire residents have an opportunity to shape our community's future by running for office. In 2025, three trustee positions are up for election. Trustees server four year terms on the Village Board.

Key dates for the upcoming election include August 20, 2024, petition circulation begins. The petition filing period for candidates runs November 12-18, 2024. The Consolidated Election is scheduled for April 1, 2025.

Residents interested in running for office or learning more about the election process can find resources and information through the Illinois Municipal League's website or by calling Village Hall at 847-883-8600.

## Curbside Composting Ends December 11

The Village's curbside composting program allows residents to dispose of food and yard waste into the same container for composting through either a subscription program or sticker program. These programs are only available during the composting season which runs from April 1 to December 11. Start preparing now to modify your household composting practices for the out-of-season schedule.

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