

From the Mayor's Desk: A commentary on current events

Well, the first half of 2020 has turned out to be C-R-A-Z-Y ! The COVID-19 pandemic, the shutting down of our economy, the stay-at-home orders, and most recently the murder of Mr. George Floyd. Horrific. Heartbreaking. Our society is not perfect, and probably never will be. As a nation, we can and will make improvements. I have faith in our justice system, and I expect justice will be served in Mr. Floyd's death. I also have faith and respect for the Lindenhurst Police Department and for all they do for our community.

And speaking of community, I am proud of the way our community has dealt with all of the adversity this year. So many examples of people coming together and helping others!

If you haven't yet heard, many events have been canceled this year due to the pandemic, including *Lindenfest* and *Concerts in the Park*. Difficult decisions, yet the correct ones in my opinion.

I hope that anyone who lost their job or was furloughed during the pandemic is back on their feet

again. As our local businesses open, please support them!

The scheduled roadwork funded by the Village is underway. Funding came from money we had planned and set aside for this year's prioritized streets. My concern is funding for next year's projects will be much lower than normal, due to the economic impact of the pandemic. We receive revenues from the State: Income Tax, Sales Tax, and Motor Fuel Tax. Time will tell how much these revenues will be impacted.

Some good news - the Grand Avenue project is progressing, and should be substantially completed before the end of summer.

More good news - we have budgeted funds to mitigate Stormwater problems. Public Works will continue to prioritize and address flooding areas within the Village.

We can all hope that the second half of 2020 will be much better than the first!



Village Safety Protocols



For the health and safety of the public and its staff members, the Village has installed a glass barrier at the Village Hall front counter. Masks are still requested inside the facility.

The Village encourages residents to make utility payments via its new convenient online/mobile phone payment service at <https://www.invoicecloud.com/linden-hurstil>, or by calling (855) 922-1076. Residents are also welcome to submit payments in the drop box located at the front of Village Hall.

Building Permit Applications can be completed on-line, and supporting documents can be emailed to kmccollum@lindenhurstil.org.

Any questions, please call us at (847) 356-8252. The Village of Lindenhurst cares about your well-being and thanks you for your patience as we all adjust to this "new normal".

Ordinance Reminders



With summertime here, please familiarize yourself with common provisions found in the Village Code at www.lindenhurstil.org; including barking dogs and dogs-at-large, noise-related nuisances (e.g. loud music), curfew, water conservation, and weeds/tall grass (over 8").

Here are some highlights of other common ordinances:

- Only two garage sales are permitted within a calendar year, and not more than four consecutive days in duration. Signs can not be attached to utility poles, fences, or traffic control posts.

- The burning of leaves, landscape waste, brush, garbage or any construction materials is prohibited;

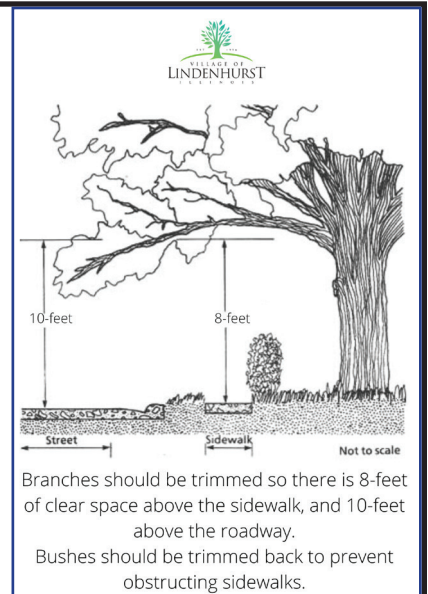


recreational wood may be burned any time; the burning must be enclosed, and must be 20 feet from any structure, fence, wetland, tree or bush.

- Remember that many neighbors use our Village sidewalks. Please trim overhanging branches, and avoid obstructing the sidewalk with your parked cars.

- Visit www.lindenhurstil.org/villagecode for a complete list of information, or call Village Hall at (847) 356-8252.

Thank you for being a considerate neighbor!



CENSUS 2020

EVERYONE COUNTS

Distance
Socially
Buy
Locally

Linden Notes

Landscape Collection

Landscape service runs through November 30. Landscape waste includes grass, shrubbery, small tree limbs and weeds. Sticker service: Each sticker is \$3.35 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 \$160 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: Walgreen's (399 S. Rte. 45), Butera Finer Foods (1500 W. Grand Avenue), or Village Hall (2301 E. Sand Lake Road). For more information, please contact Groot at (847) 693-2700.

Medication Disposal Bin at LPD

Residents have an environmentally safe and convenient location to dispose of expired and unused medication. A pharmaceutical bin is available 24-hours a day in the front lobby of the Lindenhurst Police Department, 2300 E. Grand Avenue.

To protect privacy and preserve space, unused pills and capsules should be placed in a sealable plastic bag, and the empty bottles recycled at home. Liquids should remain in their original leak-proof containers with labels removed or marked out. Additional informa-

tion can be found at www.linden-hurstil.org.

Labor Day Holiday Reminder

There will be no refuse or recycling collection on Monday, September 7th, in observance of Labor Day. Collection will occur instead on Tuesday, September 8th. For more information, please call Groot at (847) 693-2700. Village Hall and the postal substation will also be closed on Labor Day.

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. The program parameters are as follows:

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

Shoreline Stabilization Program

The Village offers a lake shore stabilization program for residents who own lake shore 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. This list is also located at www.lindenhurstlakes.com. Other guidelines include the following:

- First come, first served 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 plantings is available on the Village website www.lindenhurstil.org.

Utility Bill Payment Options

To make a payment or set-up an account with InvoiceCloud, you will need to know your account number.

- Online - <https://www.invoicecloud.com/lindenhurstil>. (One-time payment, or AutoPay.)
- By Text - Get text notifications about your bill and/or pay via text message with your default payment method
- By phone - Call 855-922-1076. All credit cards accepted.
- By Mail - P.O. Box 7234, Carol Stream, IL 60197-7234
- In-Person - Drop box outside main door at the Village Hall - 2301 E. Sand Lake Road

For your account number or questions about the new bill payment platform, please contact the Village Hall at (847) 356-8252.

LAKE COUNTY ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

A LIMIT OF UP TO SEVEN ELECTRONIC ITEMS MAY BE DROPPED OFF PER VISIT (excluding miscellaneous cords and cables)
Year-Around Drop Off - Appointments are Not Required

Grayslake: Public Works Facility, Recycling Center, 585 Berry Avenue, Grayslake, IL

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Also accepts: Cardboard, mixed paper, plastic containers, glass bottles and jars, steel cans, food scraps, shoes, clothing and textiles.

For an up-to-date list of Lake County Recycling Facilities and their hours, visit www.swalco.org.

ENTERING Lake Linden Watershed

ALL WATER FLOWS
TO THE LAKE



Impacting our Watersheds

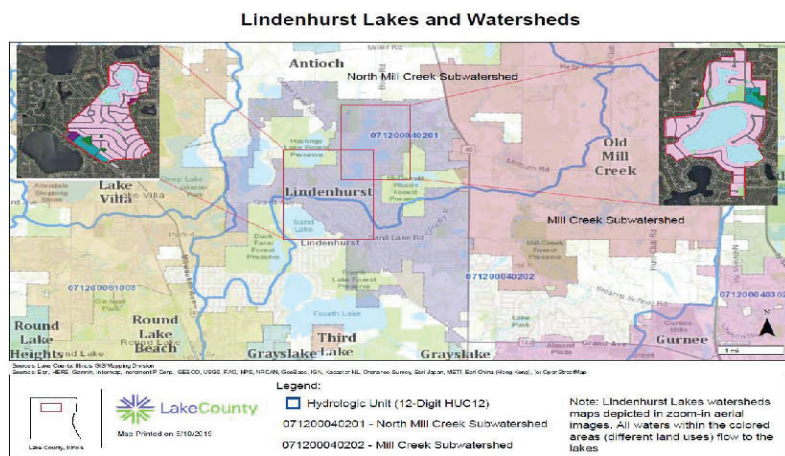
Did you know? A watershed is an area of land in which all rainfall and snow-melt storm water drains to the same outflow points such as our beautiful lakes Linden, Potomac, Springledge, and Waterford. Eventually, the runoff also infiltrates underground reservoirs or aquifers. In Lindenhurst, these lakes are all part of the North Mill Creek sub-watershed, included in the bigger Des Plaines River Watershed.

Being within a watershed means that it is important for each resident to keep harmful materials out of storm drains, and out of the lakes. Please be aware when you see posted Watershed signs, and take extra care by following these recommendations: mulch or bag grass clippings; pick up pet waste; if you wash cars outside, choose a phosphate-free cleanser; and, use phosphate-free fertilizers. For more information about Lindenhurst's lakes, and where watersheds are located, please visit www.lindenhurstlakes.com.

Dumping - There is a complex interconnectivity between our individual actions and the environment, impacting on the water, vegetation, animals, and ultimately, us. It is due to this environmental impact that dumping into storm drains and drainage ditches in our village is illegal. Dumping is not just a violation of Village Ordinance (51.125)—violations of the Illinois Environmental Protection Act can result in misdemeanor and/or felony charges. Chemical runoff not only threatens the ecological receptors, but also poses a serious risk to human health in the waters where we swim or fish. Similarly, it is a common misconception that flushing chemicals down the toilet or sink at home will get safely diluted at the wastewater treatment plant. Unfortunately, not all chemicals can be treated, and can therefore wind up back in the water table. The Lindenhurst Police Department has a drop-off box in their lobby for residential prescription and OTC medications and liquids to help keep these items out of the water treatment system.

When transferring liquid household chemicals such as automotive fluids, paint, solvents, pesticides, fertilizers into containers, gardening tools, vehicles, etc.; do not transfer them directly near bare land, grass, culverts or watercourses, as accidental spills or leaks can happen. Use drip pans and clean up spills promptly using absorbent materials.

If you need more information on how to recycle or safely dispose of hazardous household wastes, please visit SWALCO website <https://www.swalco.org/164/Household-Chemical-Waste-HCW>.



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

