



VILLAGE OF CLARENDON HILLS TRUSTEE TOPICS

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July/August 2022

Message from the President

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

I hope you are managing to stay cool this summer and were able make it out to Daisy Days and the Daisy Dash. I am excited to announce several projects in downtown are now completed. Tierra Distillery successfully opened its doors after extensive construction that included TIF funding to bring the building up to code with life safety improvements. The new Burlington Plaza next to Tierra Distillery also opened to the public with beautiful landscaping and seating areas. The English Garden is working on a new, much larger location, also with the assistance of TIF funding that will bring the building up to code with ADA and life safety improvements. We also have several businesses that are in the permitting stages to start filling out the remaining vacancies. When we started the TIF, the downtown area was in a downward cycle, with increasing vacancies, out of code building stock, and lacking new private investment. With the Village's assistance and private-public partnerships, we have been able to bring the downtown back up to a modern standard while preserving the charm that makes the downtown something we all enjoy and can be proud of. Remember to shop and dine local, and to park in the Metra lot in the evenings and on weekends for free.



Village President
Len Austin

In other news, the Village hosted its bi-annual strategic planning meeting on June 21st. We discussed Village staff objectives, policies and procedures for the next budget year and the initial planning for the upcoming centennial celebration of Clarendon Hills. Although many of us on the Board will not be returning after the 2023 elections, I am excited about the legacy of the outgoing Board and the direction the Village is set to take in the coming years. Please reach out to me through my email if you are interested in learning more about serving our community. Laustin@clarendonhills.us

As you may have heard, the Village Board recently reviewed a potential drive thru on 55th Street. The Village Board ultimately voted down the proposal for safety reasons. I want to personally thank the developer for having interest in investing in our community and the residents for coming forward with their concerns. Ultimately, I hope that we will get another proposal that better meets the needs of the community and remove the eye sore that remains on the current vacant property.

The Village Board recently received the 2021 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and accordingly, under our policies, made a significant transfer to the Capital Fund. Every year, the Village takes any surpluses in our operating funds and transfers these funds to the Capital Fund where they are made available for the Village's roads, vehicles, buildings, storm water system and general infrastructure. The Village Board, during the budget process, looks at the 10 year Capital Plan to ensure that funding is sufficient, and if fully funded, looks to lower the Village's property tax levy. During my tenure, we have taken below the legally available levy six out of seven years. The Village Board and staff continue to be good stewards of public funds, balancing our desire for low taxes while not sacrificing proper investment in infrastructure or service quality. As we enter this year's budget session, we will be looking at prudent reductions in costs and keeping tax increases to a minimum, while investing in the infrastructure and technology that keeps our Village modern. More information on our budget process and financial policies are available at www.clarendonhills.us/finance or please contact the Village Finance Director Maureen Potempa or Manager's office at 630-286-5400.

Summer events are in full swing. Hopefully I get to see you at Dancin' in the Street!

See you around town,

Len Austin
Village President

For questions, contact the Village Hall at (630) 286-5400

DANCIN' IN THE STREET

Clarendon Hills
SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



Wednesdays 7-9pm
A Clarendon Hills Chamber of Commerce & Village Partnership Event

Main Stage Presenting Sponsors



Village
Veterinary
Practice

Beer Tent
Sponsor



Date

June 22

June 29

July 6

July 13

July 20

July 27

Musical Act

STRUNG OUT - Ultimate 70's Music Experience

MR MYERS BAND - Caribbean Rock

EPIC - A Live 80's Band Experience

PETE KILPATRICK BAND - Folk Singer/Songwriter

TRUE COMPANY - Classics, 90's and Now

LIBIDO FUNK CIRCUS - Dance, Rock, Pop

BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS & BLANKETS | FREE LIVE MUSIC
FOOD & BEVERAGES AT 6:30PM | CONCERT BEGINS AT 7PM

No glass containers. Per Ordinance, no private alcohol allowed. No roller skates, scooters, or roller blades downtown during the concerts. More information on the Chamber website at clarendonhillschamber.com

Around Town

Board Meetings

July 5th Cancelled
July 18th at 6:30 PM
August 2nd at 6:30 PM
August 16th at 6:30 PM

ZBA/Plan Commission

July 21st at 7:30 PM
August 18th at 7:30 PM

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Dancin' in the Street Concerts

Every Wednesday of July! 7 PM
Downtown on Prospect Ave.
Check out www.clarendonhills.us/dits

Farmers Market - Chamber Event

Thursdays 7 AM to 1 PM
Village Hall Plaza at 1 N. Prospect

www.clarendonhillschamber.com

Library

July 11th 7 PM to 8 PM
True Crime: Why Do We Secretly Love it? (Adult Program)

Amanda Vickary, psychology professor at Illinois Wesleyan University talks about her research on true crime, including why people are so interested in it. She'll also discuss some current and fascinating cases in Illinois.

Registration required for Zoom link.

July 14th & August 11th 11:30 AM
Farmer's Market Story Time
Youth Program at Village Hall Plaza

www.clarendonhillslibrary.org

Park District

Movie & Mini Dance-a-thon
Thursday, July 14th at 8:15 PM
(Dance party then Movie at 8:45 PM)
Movie *Sing 2* at Prospect Park
Free to Clarendon Hills residents only

Touch-A-Truck

Friday, July 29th 10 AM to Noon
Community Center Parking Lot
Free to Clarendon Hills residents only

www.clarendonhillsparkdistrict.org



WHEN WALKING:

- ⇒ Stay Visible - Wear Light or Reflective Clothing
- ⇒ Stop and Look before Crossing
- ⇒ Stay Alert and Use Crosswalks

WHEN DRIVING:

- ⇒ Watch and Stop for Pedestrians Day and Night
- ⇒ Slow Down and Pay Attention
- ⇒ Put the Cell Phone Down!

VEHICLE STICKERS DUE!

Residents are required to purchase a village sticker for each vehicle they will have housed in Clarendon Hills. The annual license period begins July 1st of each year and ends on June 30th of the next year. Stickers can be purchased online and in person. www.clarendonhills.us/stickers

New residents must obtain a Village Sticker within 30 days of moving to the Village.

Passenger Car \$40, Motorcycle \$30, and Seniors (62+) 50% off. **An additional 50% late fee will be added to stickers purchased after July 31st.**

Secretary of State Mobile Unit

Clarendon Hills Bank is once again, hosting the Secretary of State Mobile Unit on Friday, July 22nd from 10 AM to 2 PM at the Village Hall Board Room. Renew or correct your Drivers license/State ID (If driving test not required), get new license plate stickers and/or register to be an organ donor.

Village Hall Closed

Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day

Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day

Garbage Pickup Delayed

Due to Independence Day and Labor Day Holidays, Garbage pickup will be pushed back a day the week of July 4th and again the week of September 5th.

Please plan accordingly.

Trustee Topics
Village of Clarendon Hills
1 North Prospect Avenue
Clarendon Hills, IL 60514

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Thank you Planting Partners!

Each year individuals, groups, businesses, and organizations contribute to the beautification of our Village by sponsoring the raised beds within the downtown. With their generous donations, we are able to bring beautiful color to what would otherwise be just simple beds. We are very thankful for the following 2022 sponsors.

Find out more at www.clarendonhills.us/Planting-partners

Barbara Doll
Shirley Tolbert
Donna and Darren Vilmin
88 Park Condo Association
The Baker Family
The Burrige Family
The Chrestionson Family
The DePasquale Family
The Pat Devine Family
The Konar Family
The Marquardt Family
The Megalis Family
The Palumbo Family Foundation
The Rediehs Family
The Swan Family
The Veatch Family
Christopher B. Burke Engineering
Don Morris Architects
Michael Abraham Architecture
Honorary Member Mary Brown

Plantings done by



The English Garden Flower Shop

Contact Us

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Dawn Tandle 630-286-5403

Village Hall: 630-286-5400

Finance Dept.: Press 2

Building Dept.: Press 3

Administration: Press 4

Public Works: 630-286-4750

Non-Emergency:

Police: 630-286-5460

Fire: 630-286-5430

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Community Numbers:

Park District: 630-323-2626

Public Library: 630-323-8188

Online Transaction Safe

Zone Location:

Police Station (448 Park Ave.)

Find Recent Village Board Actions at
www.clarendonhills.us/AgendaCenter

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