

Huntley's Village Journal

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Route 47 Multi-Use Path Construction Planned for 2017

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A multi-use (bike/pedestrian) path is planned for construction on Huntley's south side in 2017. This project has been long awaited, and is in direct response from many residents survey comments desiring a safe way for pedestrians and bikers to travel from the south side (predominantly Del Webb's Sun City & Deer Path) and be able to connect with many other multi-use paths throughout the community. This project consists of the extension of a multi-use path on the east side of Route 47 from the north side of Kreuzer Road to the south side of Oak Creek Parkway. Signalized pedestrian crossings will be added to the west side of Illinois Route 47, including crossings at both the south side of Del Webb Boulevard and the north side of Regency Parkway. The multi-use path will provide off-road access to Huntley Grove (Walmart), Huntley Crossings Phases I and II, and Village Green (Jewel-Osco), in addition to the internal sidewalks planned through these developments. The project is funded by the Village (20%) and an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grant (80%).

2017 Annual Operating and Capital Budget Approved

In accordance with Illinois State Statute and direction received from the Village Board of Trustees, the 2017 Annual Operating and Capital Budget was approved on December 8th. Through the budget preparation and review process, operational and capital projects goals were identified for completion in 2017. Goals were approved in support of the mission, vision, and values statement of the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan.

The FY17 Operating and Capital Budget totals \$27,607,596 in expenditures for all funds. Major projects included in the FY17 budget are regulatory and operations and maintenance (O & M) upgrades of \$2.45 million to both the East and West Wastewater Treatment Facilities upgrades, with the cost spread over two years; construction of a \$1.93 million multi-use pedestrian path (see article above); \$960,000 Annual Street Improvement Program; \$325,000 for water main replacements; and \$212,500, the first year of a two-year process to replace the Financial Management Software

In accordance with Village Financial and Budget Policies, the budget for the General Operating Fund is balanced with \$11,159,393 in revenues and expenditures.



Good News! The 2017 Calendars are at the printers and will be arriving in your mailbox later this month!

Mark Your Calendars

- Dec 23-26 Christmas Holiday** - Village offices closed
- Jan 2 New Year's Holiday** - Village offices closed
- Jan 7 Indoor Farmers Market** - Legion Hall
- Jan 16 Martin Luther King Jr Day** - Village offices closed

Helpful Winter Weather Tips

- Snow should be cleared from fire hydrants to assist the Fire Protection District.
- Pushing or blowing of snow into Village streets or right-of-way is prohibited.
- Parking on streets is prohibited from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. or after a 2" snowfall for up to eight hours to allow cleaning of streets.
- Snow should be shoveled to the right-hand side of the driveway (as viewed from the house) and along the curb to help reduce the amount of snow pushed back into driveways.
- Fringe snow pushed back into driveways cannot be avoided, as all streets must be snowplowed from curb to curb to allow for proper drainage and mailbox access.
- Boulders, small rocks or other landscape items in the parkway that could become projectiles if hit by a snowplow should be removed.
- Parking vehicles in the driveway approach is prohibited and jeopardizes snowplow operator's safety and could lead to potential vehicle damage.



Huntley Snow and Ice Removal Plan

The Village of Huntley Snow and Ice Control Plan can be found on the Village website at www.huntley.il.us. The Snow and Ice Control Plan is a planning document that establishes the framework to foster a high and consistent level of service with concentration on increased safety and mobility in a cost-effective, environmentally conscious manner during the winter season. A goal of the Village of Huntley transportation network is to facilitate the movement of vehicular traffic, persons and goods within the Village in a safe and environmentally acceptable manner. The movement of people takes place primarily via automobile travel and, to a lesser extent bicycle and pedestrian travel within the Village. Throughout the winter season, Village Public Works and Engineering personnel conduct a coordinated effort to provide continuous safe travel by keeping the Village transportation network clear of snow and ice. In that regard, snow and ice removal is considered emergency work in that transportation routes must be cleared at any time of the day or night to provide for the safe transportation of people and goods, especially emergency services such as rescue, police, and fire.

Christmas Tree Disposal and Recycling

Huntley Park District Tree Recycling

Bring your tree to Sun Valley Farm at Betsy Warrington Park, free of tinsel and decorations, by January 31, 2017. The trees will be used as mulch in our beautiful parks! **Please note, the Park District no longer provides curbside pick-up.** There is no charge for this service.

MDC Environmental Services

For all residential areas in the Village, excluding Sun City and apartments, MDC will be picking up discarded trees on Tuesday, January 3 and Monday, January 9. Simply place your tree at the curb. Trees larger than 10 feet tall must be cut in half. Please note that trees will not be recycled and will be taken to the landfill. Tinsel and decorations need not be removed. There is no charge for this service.

Waste Management

In Sun City, Waste Management provides pick-up of Christmas trees during the month of January. Tinsel and decorations need not be removed as these trees will be discarded in the landfill with other waste. Trees may be a maximum of 6 feet tall. There is no charge for this service.



Please, Watch What You Flush

The Village has been experiencing an alarming number of clogged sewer lines and pumps at the sewer pump station that services many Huntley neighborhoods. This is primarily because of foreign material being flushed down the toilets or poured down the drains. The sewer lines and sewer pump stations are designed to handle water, human waste and toilet paper only.



Examples of what should NOT be flushed down toilets or poured down drains are as follows:

- **Baby wipes, toilet wipes, towelettes, disinfecting wipes, or cloth wipes of any kind (even if the container indicates that they are "flushable")**
- **Paper (other than toilet paper/tissue)**
- **Medications (Prescription, or over-the-counter)**
- **Feminine hygiene products of any kind**
- **Beauty products, Q-Tips, dental floss**
- **Plastics of any kind**
- **Grease of any kind - especially cooking grease**
- **Garden supplies (such as pesticides, fertilizers)**
- **Paint, varnish, paint remover**
- **Motor oil, gasoline, or any explosive material**
- **Clothing of any kind**

All of the above items mentioned should be thrown out with the trash or disposed of properly. Remember...only water, human waste and toilet paper should be flushed down toilets. Clogged sewer lines and pumps lead to sewer backups into homes, which are expensive to clean and repair.

Please share this information with all members of your household. If you have an outside contractor come in to clean your home, please be sure to pass this information on to them as well. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Steve Zonta, Utilities Superintendent at (847)515-5281; or Adrian Pino, Chief Wastewater Operator at (847)515-5292.

Celebrate the Holidays Responsibly

December is National Impaired Driving Awareness Month and the Huntley Police Department would like to ensure that everyone returns home safe during the holiday season.

While enjoying holiday festivities with family and friends, please be mindful that Christmas and New Year's are some of the deadliest holidays on the roadways due to impaired drivers.

There are several alternatives to getting behind the wheel after alcohol consumption. Consider calling a local transportation service (Taxi/Uber), having a friend or family member be the designated driver, or staying put for the night. Driving impaired could result in unnecessary fatalities along with heavy fines and jail time.

The Huntley Police Department asks for your assistance in reporting impaired motorists. Please be alert while driving on the roadways and be mindful of weather conditions. Do not hesitate to call 9-1-1 if you witness any questionable driving abilities that could be associated with an impaired motorist.

Have a FUN and SAFE holiday season!

