



Village of Richmond



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President's Letter

Fellow Residents:

While it seemed to be a long time coming, summer has arrived with trees and flowers in full bloom. It also means that our Public Works Department has been out performing and supervising the flushing of hydrants, painting new street lines, various sidewalks improvements in the Historic District and numerous other outside tasks. The next time you are out and see someone from the department, stop and thank them for making the Village look so nice.

When you receive this newsletter it will have been approximately 16 months since I was sworn in as President of our Village. During this period I have received numerous compliments on what has been accomplished. I truly must say THANK YOU for those kind words, but it is not something that is accomplished by one individual. It was accomplished with the support of the Village Board and each and every employee who works for the Village. Without the support and encouragement of each of these individuals we would not have been able to accomplish what was completed.

To those of you who gave constructive criticism, again I want to say thank you. I appreciate each and every comment and pledge that these comments are reviewed and considered. All comments are taken seriously and commitments will be made to improve going forward.

In April this year the Village submitted its' request for restructuring of our loan on the Wastewater Treatment plant. This restructuring would provide an additional 10 years on the loan and reduce the interest from a rate of 2.5% to a 1.0% for a 19.5-year period. I am extremely pleased to announce that in May this restructuring request was approved and will result in savings to residents in excess of \$900,000 in interest over the life of the loan.

As a reminder, please join us on August 11th for this year's RICHMOND NIGHT OUT. In conjunction with our Night Out event this year we will also be celebrating Illinois' 200th birthday since becoming a state on December 3, 1818. Some of the events that will be present this year are games for children, face painting, balloon artists, touch a truck, massages, fire and police department events along with live DJ music and dancing. Of course food will be available to enjoy such as corn on the cob, hot dogs, pizza and cotton candy. This year's event will be from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please come out and engage in the fun.

Until the next new letter is distributed, enjoy the remainder of the summer weather. I look forward to seeing you around town and in our shopping district.

Village President
Craig Kunz

TRUSTEES

DENNIS BARDY
BOB ELLIOTT
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DAVID NELSON
FRANK PEILER
RAMSIN WARDANIAN

KARLA THOMAS, VILLAGE CLERK

Board Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month @ 7:00pm in the Village Hall.

Finance Committee Meetings are held at 5:00pm Mondays preceding the 1st Board Meeting of the month at Village Hall.

Community Development Committee Meetings are held at 5:30pm Tuesdays preceding the 2nd Board Meeting of the month at Village Hall.

VILLAGE OF RICHMOND

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Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 8:00am-
4:00pm

Village Hall Closed
Labor Day
Monday Sept 3rd

Calendar of Events

- **Saturday, August 11th** Richmond's Night Out at Richmond Burton High School 3pm-8pm
 - **Monday, Sept 3rd** Office Closed for Labor Day
- **Saturday, Sept 22nd** Richmond Spring Grove Chamber of Commerce Fall Wine Walk 1-4pm \$40/person Register by call RSG Chamber @ 815-678-7742
- **Thursday, Oct 4th** Electronics Pick-up/Place electronics curbside
 - **Friday, Oct 19th** Leaf Vacuuming/Place leaves curbside
 - **Wednesday, October 31st** Trick-or-Treat 4pm-8pm
 - **Friday, Nov 9th** Leaf Vacuuming/Place leaves curbside
 - **Thursday, Nov 15th** Last Village Wide Brush Pick-up
 - **Friday, Nov 16th** Final Leaf Vacuuming/Place leave curbside

Electronics' *curbside* pick-up will be the 1st Thursday of October.

Limit of either (2) TV's or (2) computer monitors. Please Call Prairieland directly with further questions at 847-381-9300.



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BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION!

You are invited to an afternoon of community, fun and safety as we support the National Police Night Out event & 200th birthday of Illinois, Richmond style.

Join us at **Richmond-Burton High School**
Saturday, August 11th 2018 from 3pm – 8pm

Food, safety demonstrations, live DJ entertainment (4pm-8pm), police, fire department and paramedic vehicles and more!

Admission is **free**, but please bring a **canned good** to help stock the Richmond food pantry.



For more information: Call 815-678-4040 or visit Richmond-il.com
[Facebook.com/RNOEvent](https://www.facebook.com/RNOEvent)



Public Works Corner

Welcome to the Public Works Corner. Here we will provide information on relevant Public Works items. Nippersink Park has seen some recent improvement such as the refurbishment of the walking bridge and the addition of 2 Four Square courts. Additional improvements are planned.

Our road patching program is about to get underway for the summer. This work should be completed by the end of September.

Our Wastewater Treatment plant was hit by lightning this spring which created extensive damage. Crews have been working diligently to make sure there are no service interruptions. Repairs should be completed soon.

The downtown sidewalk improvement project is going well. Most of the sections will be completed this year with only a few remaining for next summer. Railings should be repainted by the end of the summer.

There are numerous smaller projects going on all the time, so please, when you see workers, slow down and give them additional space.

Thank you,

Martin Nuss, Public Works Superintendent

P.S. As the new PWV Superintendent, I look forward to seeing you all at the Richmond Night Out Event.