



Engineering, Zoning, and Building Department Monthly Report

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- An IEPA Construction and Operating Permit has been received for the phosphorus mitigation project. A portion of this work may start as soon as this fall. Some equipment has a lead time of 6 to 9 months. Nearly all this project is being funded through the DeKalb County's ARPA funds which they dedicated to the various municipalities. The total available funds of \$100,000 have been requested. The County Board votes on the authorization October 19th.
- Staff has provided comments on the first draft version of the comprehensive plan. Public Workshops and Board discussion are anticipated for this fall.
- Two real estate closings on the Richland Trails lots are scheduled for early November. The first building permit application is expected this winter with home building starting in the spring when weather breaks.
- A prescribed burn is scheduled for the Richland Trails Park on Saturday, October 29th and Sunday, October 30th. While this is not town property, the town is aware of the plan and has offered certain assistance by the Public Works Department.
- The annual dam inspections at the Wastewater Treatment Plant have been completed. This is a requirement of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. All conditions are good and no changes to operations or maintenance are needed.
- Environmental sampling has been completed at 50 W. Maple Avenue. A small amount of abatement will be required and is planned for this fall.
- Engineering Department has been working with developers to get two projects off the ground. One is a restaurant in the downtown commercial district. Architectural plans are in the works. The second is a mixed-use building in the residential/special use district. This project may break ground in early spring.
- Building Permit review. Several building, fence and accessory structure permits were issued.