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GARY RICHARDSON

FORMER PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
VILLAGE OF LANSING, ILLINOIS

Experience

2018 to 5/2025

Village of Lansing, IL (pop. 29,000)
Former Public Works Director

2014 to 2018

Village of University Park, IL (pop. 7,100)
Public Works Director

2005 to 2020

Elmhurst Park District, IL (pop. 47,260)
Facility Specialist

1997 to 2004

Dowlings Fleet Service
Assistant Manager

1995 to 1997

Fordham University
Athletic Operations Supervisor

1992 to 1995

Mount Vernon Board of Education, IL
Building & Grounds Maintenance

Certifications & Training

- Illinois Pesticide Operator License
- CPR & AED certified
- APWA Diversity Chair
- South Suburban PW Association
- Lead service line experience
- Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) exposure
- Contract & vendor oversight
- Water System Operations Exposure

Key Qualifications

- 30+ years public works experience
- Former PW Director
- Water system oversight experience
- Road, fleet, and facilities management

- Staff supervision 30+, union shop
- Strong budget and cost control
- Major capital project involvement

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QUALIFICATION

Extensive background in buildings and grounds, athletic facilities, roads and bridges. Previous responsibilities have included supervision and training of all staff, coordinating all requirements of various jobs with other subcontractors (fire protection, HVAC, plumbing, equipment installation, etc.), ordering and expediting materials, and dealing with inspectors, general contractors and other project officials. Consistently have brought in projects that would better facilities at or under budget.

WORK HISTORY

12/18- 05/25 Public Works Director - Village of Lansing, IL

Oversaw the drinking water and sanitary system, all aspects of the public works department; including 40+ staff members; budgets, union negotiations, Federal and State EPA, and the day to day operations.

11/14 - 12/18 Public Works Director - Village of University Park

Oversee all aspects of the public works department including the parks department, water and sewer, sanitation, fleet management and E.M.O.

02/05 - 11/20 Facility Specialist, Elmhurst Park District

Supervised and maintained athletic buildings and grounds and parks facilities. Snow removal and salt truck driver. Light and heavy equipment operator. Train seasonal staff. CPR & AED certified. State of Illinois Pesticide Operator's license. Member of IL Turf Field Management.

1997-2004 Assistant Manager, Dowlings Fleet Service

Supervise four man crew. Responsible for the upkeep of buildings and grounds and automobiles. Handle all end of day business transactions and payroll of staff. Ordering stock and input inventory of new stock into main computer system which supplies four different states.

1995-1997 Athletic Operations Supervisor, Fordham University

Supervise and maintain all athletic facilities, buildings and grounds and a six member staff.

1992-1995 Maintenance Staff for Building and Grounds, Mount Vernon Board of Education

Maintain Athletic Grounds

EDUCATION

1982-1986 Mount Vernon High School

REFERENCES

Furnished upon request.