



BOARD BRIEFS

WEEKLY UPDATE FROM THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

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Public Works completed required IEPA daily rounds including SCADA monitoring and water sampling across six deep water wells. Crews repaired or replaced four water service line shutoffs and conducted maintenance on the Batwing mower. Two full mowing circuits, including rural ditch areas, were completed along with three trash collection routes. Routine wellhouse maintenance was performed. Staff attended a trenchless pipe repair training hosted by HOERR Construction. Additional water main locates were completed in preparation for Silo fiber boring. The team coordinated with residents on driveway and sidewalk replacement permits. Twenty JULIE locates were performed, including for Silo fiber and the Rock 39 Amazon site. A hydrant adjustment was made at Soper and Teal. Mower maintenance continued with blade sharpening and greasing. Oversight and protection efforts continued around Silo's Phase 3 area. Water treatment chemicals were received and adjusted for Rock 39. An emergency water shutoff was conducted for the park district. Staff also handled landscaping around sidewalk projects, repaired fencing, maintained concession areas, and completed blacktop patching at water main break sites.

PUBLIC WORKS

The Police Department responded to 68 calls for service and completed 9 incident or supplemental reports. There were 2 arrests and 18 traffic citations or warnings issued, along with 1 ordinance violation addressed. The department processed 3 FOIA requests. The Chief and Lieutenant attended the WIPC meeting, continuing coordination with regional partners. Investigation remains ongoing into the recent business burglary, with active follow-ups. Planning for National Night Out continues to progress, with strong community interest and participation confirmed from RMTD. The department is working with WBS to enhance radio interoperability for improved mutual aid communication. An informal meeting with the school district was held to discuss summer safety improvements, including proposed installation of driveway posts to secure school lots, which the district has agreed to fund. The School Resource Officer is finalizing updates to the student reunification model and planning a fall training exercise. Additionally, the SRO and a patrol officer completed active threat response training hosted by Pecatonica School District.

POLICE

Utility billing staff coordinated with Four Rivers, title companies, and the county assessor on process improvements, while responding to resident inquiries about Silo restoration and confirming it is Silo's responsibility. The Deputy Clerk completed payroll and met with the website provider to update permissions. Meetings were also held with the Administrator and insurance broker regarding healthcare, with early projections showing an 8-12% increase. The Treasurer attended the IMTA conference, with training sessions covering topics including investing strategies, budgeting, cybersecurity, and disaster planning. The Village Administrator met with NIU CGS on the downtown overlay and UDO revisions, hosted WIPC, attended the ILCMA regional lunch, and met with Reflections Salon to address ongoing property maintenance concerns.

ADMINISTRATION