



The WINNETKA REPORT

A Message from the Village President

Dear Neighbors,

I hope you each enjoyed a wonderful holiday season with family and friends. We at the Village are excited to begin 2024, and I would like to take a moment to update you on our projects and priorities for the year.

Our Stormwater Improvements Project is well underway: we are working to complete a storage component on the west side of the Village along Hibbard Road on Cook County Forest Preserve property, and we will begin work at Crow Island Woods and Crow Island School to build underground storage structures this spring. This year we will also work on planning and engineering for the conveyance/piping portion of the project: once we have built all of the above and below-ground storage structures to house stormwater after large storms, the next phase of the project entails constructing pipes to transport water from the areas where water typically collects into these structures. Conveyance/piping construction will help our residents realize the full impact of this project, as water will begin to drain rapidly off of our streets during storms once the conveyance/piping is connected to the storage structures. The planning and engineering work we will do this year will enable us to compete for federal and state grant funding that will help mitigate the financial impact of this project on our budget, and to our residents. We will also be moving forward with a study on the east side of the Village, which includes ensuring that stormwater discharges into Lake Michigan are less impactful to our primary source of drinking water.

We are beginning to imagine what the future of the Hubbard Woods business district will look like, as we look toward revitalization of this area: we had a tremendous response to our community survey, which we will analyze into a plan that can be presented to our residents later this year. If you weren't able to participate in the survey, please watch our weekly emails to the community for opportunities to add your voice to the conversation. You may sign up for weekly emails using the QR code below.

You may be aware of the State of Illinois' Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act, which was signed into law in 2021, and necessitates the replacement of all lead water service lines in the state. The Village has been working to proactively address existing lead service lines, as it is the right thing to do, but it is an unfunded mandate from the state, which impacts our budget. The Village maintains an inventory of water service line information by residence, so you may check the type of water service line you have (whether it is made of lead, copper, or another material) by visiting villageofwinnetka.org/leadservice. The Village established a voluntary Lead Service Line replacement program, also discussed on that page, which offered 80 residences' existing lead service lines the opportunity to replace them proactively, on a first-come, first-served basis, with reimbursement of up to \$5,000 or 50% from the Village. If you have questions about this program, which currently has a waitlist, please call **847-716-3558** or email ls@winnetka.org.



Finally, I would like to offer a new opportunity for residents under age 12 to engage with us: Randall the Raptor (pictured) lives on an employee's desk at a Village-related facility. Residents under 12 who find him and send a selfie with Randall to contactus@winnetka.org will be entered to win an opportunity for them and their family to

ride with me on the Village Council's float in the 4th of July parade, which is always a favorite event of mine. Please include a phone number where we can reach you as part of your submission. The deadline to participate is February 16.

I look forward to seeing you around town!

Chris Rintz
Village President



Chris Rintz

Sign up for the weekly newsletter to residents



It only takes seconds and will keep you in-the-know about Village events and updates.



New Businesses in the Village

The Village provides hands-on assistance to entrepreneurs and property owners to attract, retain, and expand businesses. In 2023, 19 new businesses opened in the Village, including 3 new restaurants.

The Village partners with the Winnetka-Northfield-Glencoe Chamber of Commerce to promote new businesses and support community events, including the annual Sidewalk Sale, the Red Invitation Sale, and the Tree Lighting.

We continue to sponsor First Fridays and Art Attack!, hosted by the Hubbard Woods Design District, and we host Small Business Saturday.

The Winnetka Farmers' Market concluded its sixth season this year with its largest attendance to date with an estimated 37,000 visitors. The dog-friendly market is hosted each year by the Winnetka-Northfield-Glencoe Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the Village and the Winnetka Park District.

If you are interested in opening a business in Winnetka, please contact **Liz Dechant at ldchant@winnetka.org or 847-716-3528.**

Tala Coffee Roasters Opens at 93 Green Bay Road

Tala Coffee Roasters opened in November at their new Indian Hill location on the Village-owned property at Green Bay Road and Winnetka Avenue. Tala invested in and completed a gut-rehab of the 1,370 square-foot former automobile service station that retains the charm and character of the site and now serves as a coffee shop and community gathering space.

The Village assisted with revitalizing the corner by creating a new outdoor plaza, complete with a concrete patio with brick ribbon accents, new seating, lighting, bike racks, planters, and landscaping. The project transformed a long-vacant corner into an inviting gateway entrance to Winnetka and aligned with the Village's commitment to creating public spaces for the community.

Tala currently has two other locations, a café in Highwood and a roastery in Libertyville. They roast their own brand of coffee, feature a variety of original specialty drinks, and offer food items. They are open **Monday - Sunday from 7 AM - 6 PM.** Visit talacoffeeroasters.com for details.



Former service station at 93 Green Bay Road. Visit today to see the transformation.

New Businesses and Expansions in 2023

Indian Hill business district

- Aesthetic Skin**, 44 Green Bay Road
- Tala Coffee**, 93 Green Bay Road



Hubbard Woods business district

- Full Circle Fitness**, 906A Green Bay Road
- Kai Behnke Interiors pop-up**, 933 Green Bay Road
- Lana Jewelry**, 912 Green Bay Road
- Nest Estate Sales pop-up**, 933 Green Bay Road
- Selleria Veneta**, 986 Green Bay Road

Elm Street business district

- Anne Loucks Art Gallery**, 564 Lincoln Avenue
- Bone & Body Women's Health**, 570 Lincoln Avenue #4
- Bunny & Babe**, 559 Chestnut Street
- Deep Purpl/Fons Empanadas**, 552 Lincoln Avenue
- Design by Meble**, 566 Chestnut Street
- Elizabeth Stamos Design**, 558 Green Bay Road
- Eveve**, 551 Chestnut Street
- Forsyth Jeweler**, 725 Elm Street
- J. McLaughlin pop-up**, 565 Lincoln Avenue
- Kay's Barber Shop**, 556 Green Bay Road
- Lincoln Avenue Bakery**, 544 Lincoln Avenue
- Mireille's Studio**, 723 Elm Street #21



Bone & Body Women's Health ribbon cutting.



Forsyth Jeweler ribbon cutting.

Message from the Fire Chief

Indoor Safety

The Winnetka Fire Department wants you to keep safe while you keep warm this winter. More home fires occur in the winter than any other season, as heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths. Below are tips from the Winnetka Fire Department to stay safe and warm:

- Keep a three-foot safety zone around heating equipment. Ensure children, pets, and anything that can burn remain outside the safety zone.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary heating mechanisms, like water heaters or central heating equipment, according to code and manufacturer instructions. Have the equipment regularly inspected and serviced by qualified professionals.
- When selecting a portable heater, purchase one that has a seal from a qualified testing laboratory, is equipped with a thermostat, and has tip-over/overheat protection.
- Always plug space heaters directly into an outlet (never use extension cords) and check to ensure the space heater's cord isn't damaged.
- Keep space heaters out of the way of foot traffic and never block an exit.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Never use a gas range or oven to heat your home. This can cause a buildup of carbon monoxide inside your residence.



Outdoor Safety

Hypothermia is a dangerous condition of abnormally low body temperature. Prolonged exposure to cold temperatures causes your body to lose heat faster than it is produced. Lengthy exposure will use up your body's stored energy and lower your body temperature. A body temperature that is too low affects brain function, inhibiting movement and clear thought. This makes hypothermia especially dangerous because victims may not recognize what is happening and may not be able to take corrective action or seek help.

The following are warning signs of hypothermia:

- Shivering
- Exhaustion or feeling lethargic
- Confusion
- Memory loss
- Slurred speech
- Drowsiness

Frostbite is a type of injury caused by freezing, leading to a loss of feeling and color in the areas it affects. Frostbite can permanently damage the body, and in severe cases can lead to the need for amputation. The nose, ears, cheeks, chin, fingers, and toes are the body parts most often impacted by frostbite. Redness or pain in any skin area may be the first sign of frostbite. Additional signs include:

- A white or grayish-yellow skin area
- Skin that feels unusually firm or waxy
- Numbness

Taking a first aid or CPR course is a great way to prepare for problems related to cold weather. Knowing what to do is an important part of protecting your health and the health of others. Visit villageofwinnetka.org/CPR or contact Captain Andy MacArthur (amacarthur@winnetka.org) for more information on Winnetka Fire Department's CPR or Stop-the-Bleed training classes.

Message from the Police Chief

Beginning this year, our officers will be using body worn cameras as part of a pilot program to prepare for compliance with the Law Enforcement Officer-Worn Body Camera Act, part of the Safe T Act. Per this legislation, police officers are required to wear body cameras and utilize them while performing law enforcement-related activities. The only times an officer may turn off their body camera is if they are inside a prison or jail cell that has a camera system, or when performing community caretaking functions, such as participating in town halls, helping a child find their parents, providing death notifications, or performing well-being checks. Cameras may also be turned off if the victim of a crime requests the camera be turned off, if a person reporting a crime requests the camera be turned off, or if the officer is interacting with a confidential informant. The body camera pilot program allows our officers to become acclimated to use of the technology, and for members of the community to become comfortable with seeing body cameras on law enforcement officers.

Each year, annual Village vehicle stickers expire on December 31. To avoid a citation, please make sure your new vehicle sticker is displayed on your windshield. If you have questions about renewing your vehicle sticker, please call **847-501-6000** or visit Village Hall at 510 Green Bay Road.

The Village's snow parking ordinance prohibits parking on Village streets when a minimum of 2 inches of snow has accumulated within a 24-hour period, or when a snow emergency has been predicted or declared. Please do your part to ensure vehicles are not parked on the street during a snow emergency, which will help our Public Works Department properly plow our streets. Village parking lots have alternate parking restrictions between 12 AM – 6 AM on even/odd days during a snow emergency. Learn more about these restrictions at villageofwinnetka.org/snow. If you suspect your vehicle has been towed or relocated after a snow emergency parking ban, please call our department's non-emergency number: 847-501-6034. The Village will email residents and post information on our website when a snow emergency occurs. If you are not signed up to receive Village emails, you may do so by using the QR code on the front cover of this newsletter. As always, please drive carefully during snowy or icy conditions. Have an enjoyable and safe winter.



Winter Parking Lot Restrictions

Parking in public parking lots will be restricted from **December 15 – March 15** of each year between the hours of **12 AM – 6 AM** after a two (2") inch snow fall.

**Parking Lot Restriction:
No Parking between 12 – 6 AM on Odd Days**

Parking Lot	Location
Scott Avenue Parking Deck	Upper Level Only
Green Bay Rd./Tower Lot	Green Bay & Tower (next to gas station)
Pine/Birch Lot	Pine & Birch (southeast corner)
Post Office North Lot	North Parking Lot
Lincoln Avenue Lot	South of Community House
Indian Hill Lot	South of 93 Green Bay Road
Sunset Road Lot	Sunset & Green Bay
Merrill off-street parking	Merrill Street

**Parking Lot Restriction:
No Parking between 12 – 6 AM on Even Days**

Parking Lot	Location
Hubbard Woods Station Lot	Railroad Drive
Tower Road/Locust Lot	Green Bay & Tower (west of Zenglers)
Spruce/Birch Lot	Spruce & Birch (southeast corner)
Post Office South Lot	South Parking Lot
Hadley Institute Lot	West of Hadley School
Winnetka Train Station Lot	Elm Street
Indian Hill Train Station Lot	Indian Hill Station
Gordon Terrace Lot	Scott Avenue

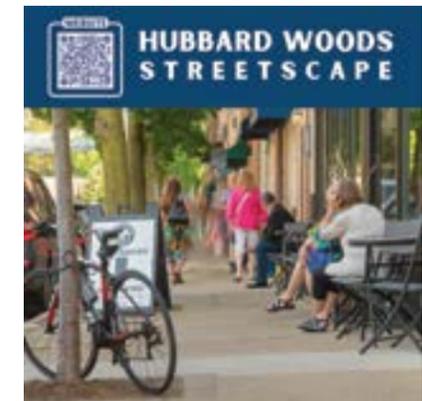
Winter On-Street Parking

Relocated vehicles may be temporarily stored at the following locations:

- Hubbard Woods, 1001 Tower Road (east of the BP Amoco Station)
- Central Business District (east Side), 500 & 600 Lincoln Avenue
- Central Business District (west Side), 501 Birch Street (off street parking)
- Indian Hill, 55 Green Bay Road (south of Winnetka Avenue) & parking lot across from Sunset Road at Green Bay

Hubbard Woods Streetscape Design Open House
January 30 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM Towne & Oak (921 Green Bay Road)

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Hubbard Woods Streetscape Survey, which was offered online in November and December 2023. The Village invites all community members to participate in an in-person open house to review survey results and to provide input on draft design concepts for streetscape improvements for the Hubbard Woods Business District. For those community members who cannot attend the in-person open house, they may provide feedback on the design concepts that will be posted on the project's webpage, villageofwinnetka.org/hw after the in-person open house. We look forward to hearing your additional feedback.



Online Payments

Residents can renew their vehicle stickers, commuter parking passes, and dog licenses online. Purchases can be made by major credit card and will be shipped after the purchase is complete. New residents should call the Finance Department at 847-501-6000 to request an application via mail. As required by Village Code, residents purchasing dog licenses are required to provide a copy of their pet's rabies certificate during both the online and in-person process. Residents can also pay utility bills and parking tickets online with a credit card. Utility customers will be required to create a user profile and can then make a one-time payment or enroll for automatic recurring credit card payments. Click the "Payments" button on the Village's website, villageofwinnetka.org, to get started.

2024 Budget: Strategic Community Investment

Winnetka's budget, adopted each year by the Village Council, is the official financial plan for the Village's operating departments. The budget also presents information related to Winnetka's debt positions, pensions, and planned capital improvements. The Village follows a calendar-based fiscal year.

On November 3, 2023, Village Council held an all-day public budget review meeting, where Village staff presented a formal review of the 2024 Annual Budget and Capital Improvement Plan. Below is a snapshot of the key metrics related to the 2024 Annual Budget:

- The 2024 annual budget totals \$102,004,210, of which \$32,248,621 is dedicated towards capital infrastructure.
- Electric increase: 9.5%
- Water increase: 10.25%
- Refuse increase: 2.5%

- The General Fund operating budget, the Village's main operating fund, totals \$26,693,503; a proposed increase of 8.3% compared to 2023.
- The 2023 tax levy will generate \$15,758,177 for village operations. This is an increase of 2.93% compared to last year. The increase is due to capturing the impact of new development throughout the village (1.5%) and an inflationary adjustment of 1.43%.
- The proposed 2023 tax levy is \$3.75 million less than the tax cap limit (PTELL). Since 2005, the Village has been cumulatively \$19.9 million under the tax cap.
- The 2024 Budget's impact to a typical Winnetka household is \$440 a year, or \$40.92 monthly, driven by increases in the utility funds as follows:

The rate increases will support capital improvements and unfunded mandates for lead service line replacements passed on to the Village from the State of Illinois.

- The 2024 Village Capital Plan totals \$32,248,621: with significant funding dedicated towards stormwater improvements, downtown revitalization, roads, water mains (including lead service replacement) and improvements to the Village's electric system.

On November 21, the Village Council held a public hearing on the 2024 budget and introduced the budget, the 2023 Property Tax Levy, and 2024 Rate Resolutions. Then, at the December 5 Council Meeting, the 2024 budget package was formally adopted. To view the current budget, visit the "Fiscal Transparency" page on the Village's website.



2024 Building Permit Fees, Deposits & Bonds

Until January 1 of this year, the Village used one method to calculate building permit fees for remodelings, which is based upon construction value of improvements (3% of construction value), and another method for new buildings and additions, which was based upon the square footage of the improvement area (\$1.60/sf). At the direction of Village Council, staff studied if new building projects, such as a new home, were paying their appropriate share of the Village's cost to provide building permit services to the community, and staff found new building projects were not.

On December 5, 2023, and as summarized below, the Village Council adopted new building permit fee and deposit amounts, as well as bond requirements:

- All major permits, **including new building projects, remodeling projects, and addition projects**, will be calculated based upon 3% of the estimated value of improvements. Previously, only alterations (remodeling) permits were calculated in this manner. (Note: For projects involving historic or architecturally significant structures granted the maximum building size bonus, the base permits fees for remodeling and addition projects will be calculated at 2% of the estimated value of improvements.)
- Certain additional permit fees, which had previously been collected with major permit projects, will no longer be collected with such permits. The fees include items such as roofs, electrical outlets, plumbing fixtures, HVAC equipment, and impermeable surfaces.
- A License and Permit Bond in the amount of \$25,000 will only be required for a permit that includes work on Village property or within a public right of way. Previously, all contractors associated with a building permit, regardless of whether there was work in the public right of way, were required to submit a license and permit bond. Moving forward, only the property owner, the general contractor, or the contractor performing the work on Village property or within the public right-of-way are required to file a bond.
- Given that the Village has not increased certain building permit fees and deposits for over ten years, other fees and deposits have been increased. A copy of the complete fee resolution is available on the Village's website or by request.

Village Stormwater Management Initiatives Continue to Progress

The Hibbard Preserve Stormwater Management Wetland project has continued to take shape. Heavy excavation and fine grading for the Hibbard Preserve Stormwater Management Wetland project continued through the summer and was substantially completed in the fall. Temporary seeding and blankets were applied to the finished areas before winter, and in spring, the contractor will finish all grading and apply final seeding. The project also successfully completed water main replacements and installation of large box storm sewers on Hibbard Road and Sunset Road that will ultimately bring stormwater from the neighborhoods into the new stormwater management wetland. A final box storm sewer installation across Willow Road is anticipated to begin in March 2024 that will connect the new Duke Childs underground stormwater storage to the new Hibbard Preserve stormwater storage. The Hibbard Preserve project is currently on schedule to meet its anticipated completion in summer of 2024, and with the new North of Willow facilities, will provide almost 50 million gallons of stormwater storage and water quality improvements for west and southwest Winnetka.

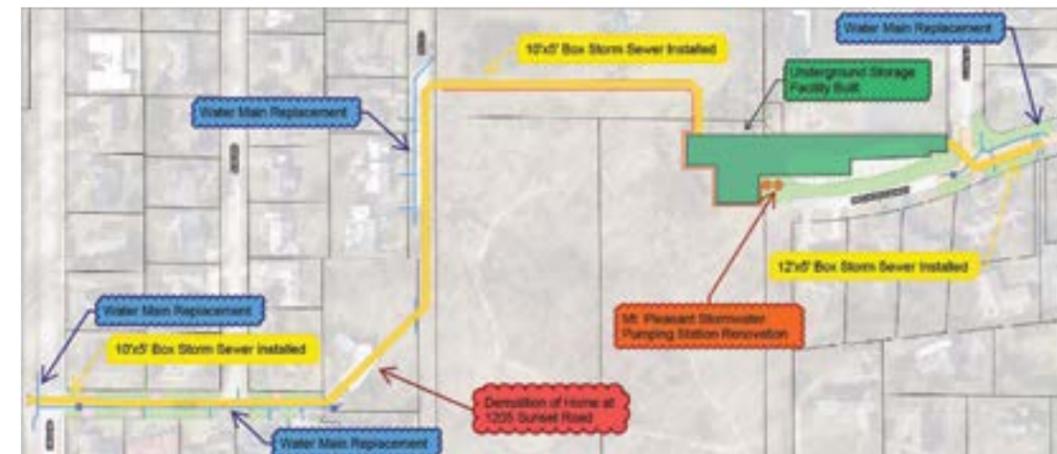
The Village is preparing to begin construction on the Crow Island Stormwater Management and Conveyance project, anticipating a March 2024 start. This phase of the project is the result of a partnership between the Village, the Winnetka Park District, and School District 36. It will include underground stormwater storage facilities and a large box storm sewer connecting the underground storage to the new Hibbard Preserve Stormwater Management Wetland. It is the third and final storage construction project, providing an additional 3 million gallons of stormwater storage and water quality improvements for neighborhoods south of Willow Road.

Design of the stormwater conveyance projects that will collect and convey stormwater from the south and southwest neighborhoods to the newly constructed storage facilities also continues to progress. Stay tuned for project updates in future editions of this publication.

The North of Willow Stormwater Management project at Duke Childs Field was completed in October 2023.



Grading and temporary restoration of the new stormwater management wetland at Hibbard Preserve is nearly complete. Final construction and restoration are on schedule for completion in 2024.



Construction of the Crow Island Project is anticipated to begin in March 2024.



Council Action Summary

September 5, 2023: A resolution waiving competitive bidding and approving a contract with The Progress Group, Inc. to address an oil leak in the Water & Electric Department's turbine generator #6 was discussed and approved. A contract with Dominion Lighting & Solar for the design and installation of a solar photo voltaic array (a solar panel) at the Public Works Yards was discussed and approved. A special use permit for 564 Lincoln Avenue was approved, as was the purchase of underground stormwater vaults from Stormtrap, LLC for the Stormwater Improvements Project. A non-voting student appointment was made to the Landmark Preservation Committee.

September 12, 2023: A study session was held to discuss construction in the bluff steep slope area along Lake Michigan, reviewing environmental concerns, neighboring steep slope regulations, existing development on steep slopes, and current Village regulations. Public comment was heard by Council on these matters, and Council discussed improving and implementing lakefront regulations and their impacts to lakefront homeowners, as well as the significance of shoreline protection and maintenance, zoning concerns, environmental preservation, and the permit process for lakefront construction. Council concluded that further study and discussion were needed. The topic was continued to November 14.

September 19, 2023: A contract to evaluate the Water & Electric Department's turbine generator #4 was discussed and approved, as this generator was out of service. As part of the approval, Council discussed the Water & Electric budget, contingencies, and potential issues with the turbine in the future. An agreement was approved with Teska Associates, Inc. for professional services to prepare a concept Streetscape design plan for the Hubbard Woods Business District. A concept plan is necessary to begin the discussion with the Illinois Department of Transportation about a potential jurisdictional transfer of Green Bay Road in Hubbard Woods, allowing the Village to proceed with Streetscape construction.

October 10, 2023: A presentation on the Green Bay Trail Master Plan was made to Council by the Lakota Group, which was responsible for the overall planning process, consisting of engagement, analysis, plan, design, implementation, and discussions regarding Green Bay Trail improvements. The design strategy for the Trail implements hardscape and maintenance, vegetative improvements, and signage. Concept plans displaying current trail conditions and the proposed concept were presented. The Assistant Village Engineer provided potential funding information through various federal, state, and local grants, informing the Council that work on this project could only proceed if funding can be secured and approved. The Council discussed the ongoing permitting delays with Metra and Union Pacific regarding infrastructure maintenance, access points, and ADA compliance. Public comment regarding this report and items related to the Trail was heard.

October 17, 2023: An agreement with the Village of Glenview for emergency dispatch services was discussed and approved, renewing a contract that provides the Villages of Glenview, Kenilworth, Northfield, and Winnetka with consolidated dispatch services and providing the Village's public safety departments access to equipment and technology that is integral to daily operations.

November 3, 2023: An all-day meeting discussing the 2024 Village budget was held, featuring presentations from every operating department within the Village and discussions of proposed budget impacts.

November 14, 2023: Lakefront zoning was discussed, including lot sizing, the application process for proposed plats of consolidation, special use standards, lot lines, benefits and limitations of using the ordinary high water mark, bluff and steep slope regulations, slope determination calculations, structures along the steep slope, variations, and appeals. At the conclusion of the meeting, Council instructed staff to study zoning and subdivision code amendments.

November 21, 2023: Council held a public hearing on the 2024 budget, proposing a 1.43% tax levy increase to allow the Village to continue addressing improvements to address aging infrastructure and modernize utility systems, including a move to an automated utility meter reading system over the next three years. The 2024 budget was introduced, as were resolutions regarding service fees, utility rates, and building permit fees. A resolution adopting the Village's current paid leave and benefits policy and opting out of the State's Paid Leave for All Workers Act was introduced and approved.

December 5, 2023: An ordinance was introduced amending the Village Code and the Winnetka zoning ordinance regarding lot consolidation, and it was discussed by council and members of the public. A zoning variation was discussed to allow for a pickleball court to be built in the single family residential district. Two zoning variations were discussed and approved to allow for the construction of additions on homes at 717 Park Avenue and 84 Abbotsford Road.

Snow & Ice Control Operations

The Winnetka Public Works department is committed to keeping Village streets clear of snow and ice to maintain safe vehicular and pedestrian traffic on publicly maintained streets and sidewalks throughout the winter months. To ensure streets and sidewalks are free from snow and ice and to maximize department snow and ice control resources, routes have been established and priorities are given to main streets such as Forest Way, Hibbard Road, Tower Road, Willow Road, Green Bay Road, Elm Street, and other streets within business districts. These streets receive much of the traffic within the Village and must be kept clear as primary emergency access routes. The next priorities are secondary streets, especially around schools and churches. Alleys, public parking lots and sidewalks are cleared toward the end of snow events.

Air temperature, type of precipitation, and road surfaces influence the method for applying salt and other snow fighting applications. The Village's policy is to minimize salt use to control costs by applying salt at intersections and on street surfaces that may pose a traffic hazard. In addition, a non-corrosive liquid known as calcium magnesium acetate (CMA) is used on bridges and the Hubbard Woods parking deck. CMA enables the Public Works department to control ice buildup in an environmentally-friendly manner, while preventing premature deterioration of the bridges and the parking deck surface.

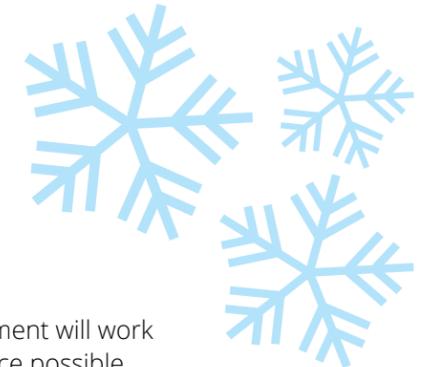
The Public Works department's snow and ice team is comprised of highly skilled and well-trained individuals determined to provide motorists and pedestrians the highest level of snow and ice control services possible

Sidewalk Shoveling

After larger snow events, typically beyond 3 to 4 inches, the Village plows snow from residential sidewalks. In order to prevent ice buildup on the sidewalks, residents should remove snow from the sidewalks in front of their homes after slushy events or smaller snowstorms. This will go a long way towards helping keep our sidewalks free from ice and easier for pedestrians to navigate. Thank you for doing your part to keep our sidewalks clear.

To ensure a safe and enjoyable winter season. The Public Works department will work around the clock, when necessary, to provide the maximum level of service possible.

Please call **847-716-3568** with questions about snow removal.





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Village Telephone Numbers

Police/Fire/Paramedics Emergency	911
Police (Non-Emergency)	847-501-6034
Fire (Non-Emergency)	847-501-6029
Electric or Water Outages	847-501-2531
Refuse and Recycling Collection	847-716-3568
Manager/Finance Department	847-501-6000
Public Works Department	847-716-3568
Utility Department	847-716-3558
Utility Billing Services	847-446-9550
Community Development Department	847-716-3576

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Village Council Meetings

Meetings are held at 7 PM on Tuesdays. Agenda materials and videos of previous meetings are available at villageofwinnetka.org at "Agendas," at the reference desk at the Winnetka Public Library, or from the Village Manager's Office. Agendas will include the meeting's location and/or meeting access instructions.

Year-Round Holiday Light Recycling



Recycle old holiday lights and cords with the Village's year-round light recycling program. All types of holiday lights and cords are accepted for recycling at the Public Works Yards, 1390 Willow Road, weekdays from 7:30 AM – 4 PM. The Village cannot accept garland, live greens, wreathes, or other non-recyclable items.