

June 2021

Village

PICNIC OF RINGWOOD

Dear Neighbors:

On Sunday, August 22nd, Ringwood will hold its Annual Town Picnic.

The Picnic will begin at noon at the Village Hall. Back by popular demand will be the "Moon Walk", a rock climbing wall, DJ entertainment and much more. I am happy to report that Dow will again provide the meat (pig roast, hamburgers and hot dogs) and side dishes. It will be catered by Ringwood's own Rusty Nail Bar & Grill. The food will be served from 12:30 P.M. till 2:00 P.M., and the door prize raffle drawing will begin at 2:30 P.M. Sweet corn and ice cream will be provided by the Village.

In addition, we are sponsoring a food drive to benefit the FISH food pantry of McHenry. We are asking that each person bring a non-perishable food item to donate. Monetary donations for the FISH food pantry will also be accepted. Anyone interested in helping with the picnic set-up should be at the Village Hall at 8:30 A.M.

Since we have a limited amount of parking spaces at the Village Hall, we would like to keep the parking lot at the Hall available for the elderly and handicapped. Therefore, we are asking that if you live in a subdivision close to the Village Hall, (within safe walking distance) please consider walking or riding your bike.

Our annual town picnic is a great opportunity to relax with old friends, meet new friends, enjoy some great food and have an old-fashioned good time. I hope everyone has a safe and happy 4th of July Holiday. I look forward to seeing you on the 22nd.

Sincerely,



Richard E. Mack
Village President



Public Work Report

Resurfacing School Road - The Village Board awarded a contract in the amount of \$175,796.55 to Geske & Sons Inc to resurface School Road this summer. Geske and Sons, Inc. was the low bidder. A substantial portion of this project will be paid for with the \$100,444 that Ringwood will receive from the passage of President Biden's American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. To avoid conflicts with the school, this project is expected to be completed before the first day of school.



Crack Sealing - The Village Board hired Pavement Solutions LLC to crack seal the following Village roads in 2021: Inmans Way, Kaylins Way, Ringwood Road from Route 31 to Barnard Mill Road, Barnard Mill Road from Route 31 to Ringwood Road and all of the Roads in the Pioneer Oaks of Ringwood subdivision.

UTV/Golf Cart Registration Update

Beginning January 1, 2022, all Golf Carts and UTV's will have license plates on their vehicles. The choices available will be as follow:



VANITY PLATES \$75.00

Or

NUMERIC PLATES \$60.00

All plates have no more than 7 characters! Annual renewals will be \$25.00, and will have re-inspection. Stickers are begin eliminated as an option, because they are to hard to read. For Additional information please call: Sue Keener, Village Clerk at 815-355-6680.



McHenry County Farm Bureau 19th Annual Tractor Trek



On Saturday, July 17th, the McHenry County Farm Bureau will host its 19th annual Tractor Trek. The Tractor Trek will begin at the Bauer Farm 5516 Barnard Mill Road. Start time will be around 7:00 am and the tractors are expected to pull out of the farm around 8:30 am. The Tractor Trek will be going west on Barnard Mill Road and will not be going through town. Residents are welcomed to come to the farm between 7:00 and 8:30 am to see the nearly 80 tractors and walk around the farm. Rumor has it that there are two 4H pigs will make an appearance that like kids very much. Parking will be available by entering the most western temporary entrance off Barnard Mill Road at the very west end of the Village Hall Park near the tennis courts. If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Bauer at 815-353-9009.

Friendly Reminder About Dead, Dying and Diseased Trees



The Village of Ringwood has an ordinance requiring that all dead, dying or diseased trees be cut down. The purpose of this ordinance is to stop the spread of disease such as the Emerald Ash Bore and to keep our Village looking nice. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

MCCD Prairie Trail

Update - The McHenry County Conservation District is in the process of repairing a drainage problem on the Prairie Trail between Ringwood and Barnard Mill Road. This project includes cutting trees down to make room for a drainage swale. During heavy rain events water ponds on Ringwood Road and the Prairie Trail, because of poor drainage along this section of the Trail. The purpose of this project is to resolve this issue and improve drainage on this section of the Prairie Trail. MCCD is expected resume work on this project in late summer or early fall. Thank you to MCCD for making this improvement.

A Friendly Reminder About Outdoor Storage

Outdoor Storage - The outdoor storage of boats, all types of watercraft, campers, recreational vehicles, motor homes, trailers of all types, all terrain vehicles, and snowmobiles, unlicensed inoperable vehicles are prohibited in the A-1 Agricultural Zoning District (10 acres or less) R-1, RR-2, R-3 and E-1 Residential Zoning Districts, B-1, B-2, B-3, O/R, I-1, and I-2 Business & Industrial Zoning Districts in the Village of Ringwood. In addition to a number of commercial properties in the Village this ordinance applies to the following residential subdivisions in the Village: Country Crossings, Glacial Trails, Oakview Estates, Pioneer Oaks, Whispering Meadows. All of downtown Ringwood and a number of individually zoned residential and commercial properties are also included under the outdoor storage requirements if your property falls under any of the the above zoning districts. Residents with RV's, campers and snowmobile trailers will be allowed to store your RV, camper or snowmobile trailer in your driveway in the 48 hours immediately prior to and returning from a trip. The purpose of this requirement is to provide an opportunity for you to prepare (load and unload) your RV, camper or snowmobile trailer for your trip. To qualify for this exception, you must contact Village Clerk Sue Keener via email at sue.keener@ringwood-il.us and provide your name and address along with the days that your RV, camper or snowmobile trailer will be parked in your driveway. Sue will the provide Randy with this information. Finally, please review your subdivision convince and restrictions. The Village doesn't enforce convince and restrictions, however most of them have the same or similar requirements regarding outdoor storage. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Action taken by the Village Board at the April, May and June Village Board Meetings:

April 2021

- Approve a variance request by Heathers in Ringwood regarding commercial hood for food preparation.
- Approve amending the Village of Ringwood Building Code to establish guidelines for solar power.

All Trustees present at the April Village Board meeting voted unanimously to approve the above action, except Trustees Hewes who was absent.

May 2021

No new or old business was considered or voted on at the May Village Board meeting.

June 2021

- Approve hiring Geske and Sons, Inc. (low bidder) to resurface School Road in 2021.
- Approve Appropriations ordinance.
- Approve hiring Pavement Solutions LLC, to perform crack sealing on certain Village of Ringwood Roads in 2021.

All Trustees were present at the June Village Board meeting and voted unanimously to approve the above action.

Possible Future Action by the Village Board

- Consider Levy Ordinance.
- Consider zoning variance request.

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VILLAGE HALL HOURS

CLERK

The first Saturday of every month, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or by appointment.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

HR Green - Building Inspection & Zoning Enforcement.

Office Hours: Every Wednesday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Contact: Tina Williams 815-759-8344

Village Zoning Board of Appeals and Plan Commission meets on as needed basis.

Village Board meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Busy Three 4-H Club of Ringwood, the leader is Jennifer Wittum Cell 815-739-6566, Email steergirl17@hotmail.com, meeting held on the 2nd Sunday of every month at the Ringwood United Methodist Church basement.

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