

Dear Neighbors:

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I am happy to inform you that you will notice two improvements in our community this spring. Thanks to a generous donation from Dow, your Village officials plan to install new decorative street signs and posts at the following intersections in our downtown: Barnard Mill & Ringwood, School & Barnard Mill, Monroe & Ringwood, VanBuren & Barnard Mill and Route 31 & Barnard Mill.



As you know, last year at this time your Village officials were in the process of approving a comprehensive plan for our downtown. The purpose for the downtown plan was to create short and long term goals providing direction for future development and streetscape improvements in downtown Ringwood and the surrounding area. The new street signs are a small but important first step into the implementation of this plan. Thanks again to Dow for this generous donation and for being a good corporate neighbor and making this improvement to our downtown possible.

In addition to the decorative street signs, I am pleased to inform you that a new "Welcome to the Village of Ringwood" monument sign will be constructed on the east side of Ringwood Road directly across the street from the new fire station. This monument sign will look the same as the "Welcome to the Village of Ringwood" monument sign that is located at the intersection of Ringwood and Pioneer Roads. The new monument sign is being paid for through a developer donation that your Village officials negotiated many years ago in an annexation agreement for the surrounding property. Once installed, I hope you will find the new decorative street signs and monument sign a welcome improvement to our Village.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns regarding this or any other Village issue.

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Sincerely,

Richard E. Mack Village President

2016 Public Works Report - North & South Ridgeway resurfacing



At the March Village Board meeting, the Village Board voted unanimously to hire Geske & Sons (low bidder) in the amount of \$252,346.50 to resurface/pave North & South Ridgeway Roads in 2016. Your Village officials partnered with McHenry Township, Village of Johnsburg and Wonder Lake to bid our 2016 road resurfacing projects together

in order to get the best price for our taxpayers. Work on this project is expected to begin later this spring or summer.

Other 2016 road projects will include but not be limited to: repair and replace damaged road signs, identify roads that may need to be striped, crack sealed and then hiring a contractor to perform the work.

Ringwood Primary Center annual "Week of the Young Child" parade



On Friday, April 29th at 2:30 p.m. the Ringwood School Primary Center will host the annual "Week of the Young Child" parade. The parade will begin at 2:30 p.m. at the intersection of Barnard Mill and School Road and end at the farthest school driveway entrance. This section of School Road will be blocked off from 2:30 to 2:45 so the children can walk safely. A fire truck will lead the parade and the Johnsburg High School Drum Corp. brings up the rear of the parade.

2016 Ringwood Community Picnic



Mark your calendar! On Sunday, August 28th, Ringwood will hold its Annual Town Picnic. The Picnic will begin at noon in the Village Hall Park. Details about our 2016 Annual Town Picnic will be available in a future edition of the Village Voice.

2016 Ringwood Community Garage Sale Days

RINGWOOD GARAGE SALE DAYS

Mark your calendar! On Thursday, Friday & Saturday June 9th, 10th, & 11th, your Village officials will be advertising the 13th annual Ringwood Garage Sale Days. Anyone interested in having a garage sale this year should consider having their sale during the above three days in June. Your Village officials will advertise the garage sale days by purchasing advertising space in the Northwest Herald, putting the information on the Village web site and providing signs throughout the Village advertising the sales. If you plan to participate in the 13th annual Ringwood Garage Sale Days, please contact Village Clerk Roni Gaddis-Bushroe at 815-321-1899 and let her know so we can make sure we have signs advertising the garage sale days properly located.

Santa's Visit from the North Pole



Santa flew in on the Saturday morning December 5, 2015 to visit with the little children from Ringwood and the surrounding area. Santa welcomed over 60 anxious little ones with their Christmas wishes. Each child received an activity book from Santa. Village Clerk Roni Gaddis-Bushroe created a festive atmosphere for the children. Many thanks go out to everyone that made this event so special. Santa promised to be back again next Christmas





McHenry Township Road District Recycling Center

McHenry Township Road District offers recycling at its recycling center located in the township employee parking lot at 3703 N. Richmond Road. McHenry Township Road District personnel will be on hand to receive your brush and electronic scrap.

2016 RECYCLING DATES:

(on the third Saturday of the month April through November from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Recycling drop-offs will **not** be accepted at any other time.

April 16 May 21 June 18 July 16 August 20 October 15 November 19

(No recycling September 19, they are closed for Touch-A-Truck)

McHenry Township Road District's Recycling Program is for <u>McHenry Township residents only</u> and is not for commercial enterprises.

For additional information call the McHenry Township Road District at 815-385-3076

Not-for-profit organizations, schools and government entities within McHenry Township may call and set up an appointment to accept their Electronic Scrap.

Action taken by your Village Board at the November, December, January, February & March Village Board Meetings:

November 2015

- Pass Tax Levy Ordinance raising the Village Levy by \$2,000 dollars for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016.
- Approve amending the Village of Ringwood building code for the purpose of establishing a building permit fee for agricultural land.

All Trustees who were present at the November meeting voted to approve the above action, except President Mack and Trustee Kepes who voted against the increase in the Levy and Trustee Bauer who was absent.

December 2015

 Approve adding additional street lights to improve safety on Ringwood Road near the MCCD Prairie Path and the Rusty Nail Bar & Grill.

All Trustees present at the December Board meeting voted unanimously to approve the above action, except Trustee Reinwall who was absent.

January 2016

• No new or old business required action at the January 2014 Village Board Meeting.

February 2016

- Approve acceptance of the public improvements for the Pioneer Oaks of Ringwood Subdivision with certain conditions as recommended by Baxter & Woodman (Village Engineer).
- Approve purchasing new decorative street signs and posts for various intersections in downtown Ringwood.

All Trustees present at the February Board meeting voted unanimously to approve the above action, except Trustees Bauer & Reinwall who were absent.

March 2016

- Approve hiring MDO Painting and Remodeling (low bidder) to power wash and apply sealer to the Village Hall field stone foundation and the "Welcome to the Village of Ringwood" monument sign located at the intersection of Ringwood and Pioneer Road.
- Approve hiring Geske and Sons (low bidder) for \$252,346.50 to resurface/pave North & South Ridgeway Roads!

All Trustees present at the February Board meeting voted unanimously to approve the above action, except Trustee Bauer who was absent.

Possible Future Action by the Village Board

- Consider Appropriations Ordinance
- Consider hiring an electrician to repair and or replace lighting for the Village Hall & Ringwood Commons signage and flag poles.
- Consider hiring a contractor to crack seal various roads in the village.
- Consider new solid waste, recycling and landscape waste removal contract.
- Consider hiring a contractor to provide snow removal and ice control services to the Village for the 2016/2017 winter season.

Ringwood Village Hall

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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

Every Wednesday from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p. m. or by appointment. To request permits or inspections contact Mr. Randy Funk during Building Inspector Village Hall Hours at 815-653-5513 or Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 815-353-1722.

Village Zoning Board of Appeals and Plan Commission meets on as needed basis. Village Board meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

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