

# Village OF RINGWOOD

DECEMBER 2021

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Dear Neighbors:

**\*\* Important change in waste and recycling service \*\*** The 5 year contract between the Village and Waste Management (WM) for residential garbage and recycling expires at the end of January 2022. As a result, your Village officials solicited proposals from WM and two other waste and recycling service providers (Flood Bros. and Lakes Disposal) for a new 5 year contract. After reviewing the proposals, the Village Board determined that Flood Bros. provided the best overall service options at the lowest cost for Ringwood residents. The Flood Bros. proposal was slightly less than Lakes Disposal and significantly less than WM.

**\*\* What you need to know and required actions \*\***

- 1. Flood Bros. - Action required - Select service option no later than January 7th.**
  - Review service options on page 2 of this newsletter.
  - Sign up for service via one of the options below. Be prepared to provide your name, address and phone number.
    - Visit the Flood Bros website at [FloodBrothersDisposal.com](http://FloodBrothersDisposal.com). Navigate to the residential services page by clicking on the Residential icon. Choose Ringwood from the list of towns served and sign up for the service.
  - Contact info:
    - Dedicated email: [Ringwood@FloodBrothersDisposal.com](mailto:Ringwood@FloodBrothersDisposal.com)
    - Phone: (630) 261-0400
    - Fax: (630) 261-0575
  - Important issues to keep in mind -
    - Service Begins February 2, 2022.
    - Cart Deployment to homes will begin as early as January 18, 2022.
    - Collection day: Wednesday (moving from current Tuesday collection day).
    - Each residence will receive a 95 gal trash cart and 65 gal recycling cart.
    - Residents will have the option to upgrade to a 95 gal recycling
    - Additional carts for both trash and recycling available for a monthly rental cost
    - Flood Bros. offers a senior discount. To be eligible you must be age 65 or older and the owner of record for the residence. Please a submit a form to their office requesting the discount. The forms will be available on the Village website or contact Flood Bros. (see contact info above)
- 2. Waste Management - Cart Pickup -**
  - Last pickup will be Tuesday, January 25th. Please leave your WM carts at the end of your driveway and WM will pick them up on that day. Do not use Flood Bros. carts until February 2nd. WM will not service Flood Bros. carts.
- 3. Qualifications for service -**
  - Available to residents within the corporate limits of the Village of Ringwood only.

On behalf of the Village Board, I would like to wish you and your entire family a very happy holiday season and an especially happy, healthy 2022.

Sincerely,



Richard E. Mack  
Village President



# Waste and Recycling Proposals

## COST PROPOSAL

Flood Bros has provided below a breakdown of the service costs we intend to provide the residents of the Village of Ringwood.

### 95-Gallon Trash / 65-Gallon Recycling

Description	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
NON-SENIOR	\$19.40/MTH	\$19.89/MTH	\$20.38/MTH	\$20.89/MTH	\$21.41/MTH
SENIOR	\$17.25/MTH	\$17.68/MTH	\$18.12/MTH	\$18.58/MTH	\$19.04/MTH

### 95-Gallon Trash / 95-Gallon Recycling

Description	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
NON-SENIOR	\$19.75/MTH	\$20.24/MTH	\$20.75/MTH	\$21.27/MTH	\$21.80/MTH
SENIOR	\$17.25/MTH	\$17.99/MTH	\$18.44/MTH	\$18.90/MTH	\$19.37/MTH

### Additional Service Rates

- Optional Yard Waste (exceeding limited eight (8) bags/cans)
  - Yard Waste Seasonal Subscription (own bags/cans) = \$120.00 per season
  - Yard Waste w/ 95gal Cart = \$155.00 per season
- Additional Trash and Recycle Cart = \$3.00/month
- Additional Bulk Items (exceeding 2) = \$8.00 per item
- White Goods = \$30.00 per item

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## New Golf Cart/UTV License Requirements and Benefits

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 \$10.00, and will have re-inspection. Stickers are being eliminated as an option, because they are too hard to read. It's important to note that applicants who have already paid the \$50.00

registration fee will not pay that again. If you have already registered, vanity plates will only be \$25.00 and numeric plates will be \$10.00.

One big benefit of this new program is that Ringwood and Johnsbury will have similar licensing and registration requirements. As a result, both communities have agreed to honor each other's Golf carts and UTV's license plates. Therefore, starting in 2022, residents will have the option to trailer your golf cart/UTV to a friend's home in Johnsbury and enjoy what their community has to offer and Johnsbury residents can do the same in Ringwood. Beginning in March, please call Sue Keener, Village Clerk at 815-355-6680 to schedule an appointment to have your golf cart/UTV inspected and to purchase your new plates.

## Administrative Adjudication

Our Village recently partnered with the Village of Johnsburg to share services for administrative adjudication, which is the process by which citations issued under the Ringwood Municipal Code can be prosecuted outside of a formal court proceeding. The advantage of using the local adjudication process is that it does not require the Village to employ an attorney to prosecute the citations. It also allows the person receiving a citation to pay less in court costs. While the Village's goal with any code violation is to get the property owner to come into compliance, the adjudication process provides a mechanism for hopefully rare situations in which the property owner is unwilling to comply.

Another advantage of working with Johnsburg is that our Village already shares the services of Johnsburg's Code Enforcement Officer. This ensures that the same person who issues citations will already be present for any adjudication hearings.

The Village Board approved the intergovernmental agreement with Johnsburg at its November Village Board meeting. The new administrative adjudication process will go into effect on January 1, 2022.

## The Village of Ringwood 2022 Regular Village Board Meeting Schedule

Monday	January 17
Monday	February 21
Monday	March 21
Monday	April 18
Monday	May 16
Monday	June 20
Monday	July 18
Monday	August 15
Monday	September 19
Monday	October 17
Monday	November 21
Monday	December 19

***All meetings will be held at the Ringwood Village Hall, 6000 Barnard Mill Road and are scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.***

## Holiday Decorations and Ice Skating Rink

A special 'Thank You' goes out to the Steve Boswell for decorating the Ringwood Commons for the holidays and Steve Cencelewski, Rich White and Trustee Jason Meyer for constructing and maintaining the ice skating rink throughout the winter season at the Village Hall.

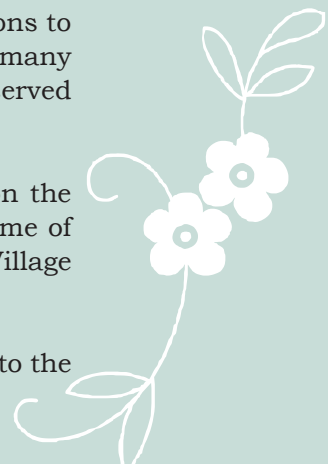


## In Memoriam

***Gloria Grace Mack*** - Passed away in September 2021. Gloria played a leading role in Ringwood's successful incorporation effort in 1993-1994. She became Ringwood's first Planning Commission Chair. She received the 2011 Frank E. Low award in recognition of her overall contributions to the quality of life in the greater McHenry area. She volunteered in many McHenry County organizations, served on the Valley Hi Board and served for many years as a JourneyCare Hospice volunteer.

***Michael DeFabio*** - Passed away in September 2021. Mike served on the Village Zoning Board of Appeals. For many years and up until the time of his passing, Mike took great pride in designing and mailing the Village newsletter.

We are grateful for the contribution that these two individuals made to the Ringwood community during their lifetime.





# Santa's Visit from the North Pole

Santa flew in to Ringwood on Saturday morning November 27, 2021 to visit with the little children from Ringwood and the surrounding area. He welcomed over 60 anxious little ones with their Christmas wishes. Village Clerk Sue Keener created a festive atmosphere with delicious baked goods and fabulous Christmas decorations. Many thanks go out to everyone that made this event so special. Santa promised to be back again next Christmas.









## 2021 Ringwood Community Picnic Wrap-Up:

Fun was had by all at the 2021 Ringwood Community Picnic held on Sunday, August 22nd. Good food, good music, record number of raffle prizes, appearances by our local fire department and children's activities provided an afternoon of enjoyment for kids and adults alike.



*A very special thank you to the following local businesses and individuals for their generously supporting for the 2021 Ringwood Community Picnic:*

ACE Hardware, Dow Chemical, C & S Fabrication, Greenway Storage, Joseph H. Huemann & Sons, Huntsman, Lima Excavation, Upland Construction, Pitel Septic, Stade's, Nature's Scholars, Dollar General, HR Green, Richardson Farm, USPS Post Master Cyndi Pllaski, Wonder Foods, Sue Keener Ringwood Village Clerk, Frank Keener, Kevin Bauer, Steve Boswell, Katie Herdus, Jay Walkington, Roche/Williams family, Jan McDowell, Jamie Roche, Darrell Roche, Rudkin family. In addition, thank you to the McHenry Township Fire Protection Districts for attending our annual picnic and a heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated non-perishable food items to the FISH Food Pantry of McHenry.

## Public Works Report:

**Parking Ordinance Reminder** – At all times of the year, parking is prohibited on all Village of Ringwood roads, except Barnard Mill Road near the post office (15 minute limit). After a snowfall of two inches or more, parking is not permitted in the spaces along Barnard Mill Road near the post office until after the road has been plowed shoulder to shoulder. This parking prohibition is in effect 24 hours a day. If a 2-inch or greater snowfall occurs and your vehicle is parked along the road, you must move it or have it moved immediately so plows can get through. By doing so, you will avoid being ticketed and towed. In that scenario, an individual would not only have to pay the ticket, but the towing charge as well. Your compliance with our Parking Ordinance is appreciated.

**Mailbox Post** – With winter on its way, this would be a good time for residents to check their mailbox and post to be sure that they are sturdy and can handle the snow roll off from the plow. If repair or replacement is needed, please take the time now to do it. If your mailbox or post falls down during the winter months, the only thing that can be done at the time is a temporary fix and mail delivery may be disrupted.

**Blitzed Mailboxes** – If your roadside mailbox becomes a casualty during the Village's war with the wintertime elements, the Village will repair or replace it if it was damaged from direct contact with a Village contracted-and-operated snow plow. However, if the damage is caused by a windrow (wall of flying snow) hurled by a passing plow, the Village will not repair or replace it. Sturdiness should be a consideration when you purchase and install your mailbox in a legal manner. It should be able withstand a force, weight, and sweep of snow flung by a passing plow. Replacement of mailboxes damaged as a result of being struck by a Village contracted snow plow will be a standard unit set on a wolmanized 4x4 wooden post. Please bear in mind, however, that sometimes downed mailboxes cannot be reinstalled immediately. In that case you will be required to pick up your mail at the post office.

**Salt Caution** – It's important to be aware that the effectiveness of road salt diminishes as the temperature drops. The lower the temperature, the less effective the salt will be. Road salt effectiveness is also reduced during freezing rain, because it's washed off the pavement by the traffic as the rain continues falling and freezing on impact. In any weather, when salt is spread, drive as if there was no salt at all. Reduce your speed and allow plenty of space between your vehicle and the one in front of you. Also, begin stopping well in advance of any stop sign or traffic signal.

## Highlights of the July, August, September and October Village Board Meetings:

### July 2021

- Approve Village President Rick Mack's appointment of Brad Stewart from the Law Firm of Zukowski, Rogers, Flood and McArdle to be the new Village Attorney.

*The Village Board voted unanimously to approve the above action.*

### August 2021

- Approve request for a re-zoning of property located at 5301 Barnard Mill Road from A-1 to R-1 and grant a variance for an accessory structure.
- Approve amending licensing requirements for Golf carts/UTV's.
- Approve snow plow contract between the Village of Ringwood and Upland Construction and Maintenance for snow plowing and ice control services for the 2021/2022 winter season.

*The Village Board voted unanimously to approve the above action.*

### September 2021

- Approve Anti-Retaliation Resolution and Policy

*The Village Board voted unanimously to approve the above action, except Trustee Walkington who was absent*

### October 2021

- Approve intergovernmental agreement between the Village of Ringwood and the Village of Johnsbury for Administrative Adjudication.
- Approve an ordinance amending the Ringwood Village Code to provide for a Code Hearing Department.
- Approve 2022 Village of Ringwood Village Board regular meeting schedule.

*The Village Board voted unanimously to approve the above action, except Trustee Robel who was absent.*

## Ringwood Village Hall

6000 Barnard Mill Road

Ringwood, IL 60072

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### VILLAGE OFFICIALS

#### President

Richard Mack - 815-321-1898

#### Clerk

Sue Keener - 815-355-6680

#### Treasurer

Shelly Dercole - 815-653-5511

### VILLAGE TRUSTEES

Katie Herdus - 847-644-5963

Tom Hewes - 847-875-5702

Jason Meyer - 815-482-3698

Gary Reinwall - 815-728-0223

Missy Robel - 815-347-8916

Jay Walkington - 815-728-1784

### 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 - Permits

Contact: Tina Williams 815-759-8344 with questions or an appointment

Village Board meets on the 3rd Monday of the month

Village Zoning Board of Appeals meets on as needed basis

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