

The Broadview Bulletin

A Village Newsletter

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Winter 2021



Seasons Greetings!

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As we enter the time of year when the spirit of peace, cooperation and kindness merge with frenetic rounds of celebrations with friends and family, I want to wish every resident of Broadview a happy, healthy, and peaceful holiday season.

As you prepare to celebrate and seek the "perfect" gift for a loved one, please consider our local Broadview stores for presents and other purchases, first. Our local merchants deserve our support all year long, but especially during the holidays.

Many of us will be buried in ads from giant, online retailers far from Broadview – in both location and spirit – trying to sell stuff with a click of computer mouse. That's easy. But dollars spent out of Broadview never return to Broadview. Dollars spent in Broadview are spent over and over again in Broadview. Moreover, no giant, online retailer will appreciate your business more than our Broadview merchants. Gifts purchased in Broadview can come with a smile, a handshake, and sometimes a hug. No computer click can compete with kindness.

Shopping locally by residents is one way to build in Broadview, a vibrant community. Delivering effective public services, recruiting and promoting dynamic public officials by the Village of Broadview is another.

In 2021, the Village of Broadview, has continued to act to revitalize our community:

- Opening a 70-unit, 3-story affordable housing development for seniors and veterans
- Investing this year more than \$4,200,000 in street repairs and nearly \$6,000,000 to modernize the village's underground water main to ensure water safety and reliability
- Creating a Village budget surplus of \$12,328
- Bringing Helios Labs to Broadview to develop a cannabis cultivation site, creating new local jobs and new tax revenue for the Village
- Protecting our environment by establishing an Environmental Sustainability Plan
- Hiring the first African-American-Japanese police chief of Broadview, Thomas Mills
- Promoting the first African-American deputy police chief, Pierre Smith

Finally, during the holidays please stay healthy and protect your family. How? Get your COVID19 vaccine and your booster shot.

Join the 68.6% of your neighbors and friends in Broadview who have already received at least one jab and 54.8% who are fully vaccinated. A Cook County call center is available to make a vaccine appointment. It is open Monday – Friday 7am to 7pm. The number is 1-833-308-1988. Pick up the phone. Call. And it's free. Enjoy the peace of mind knowing you are protected.

May you be blessed with laughter, peace, and love.



Mayor Katrina Thompson

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From the Desk of South Central Capital Group, LLC

As the Calendar Year comes to a close and everyone looks forward to the holidays it appears that the world is returning to normal. The best indication of this for the Village is Sales Tax Revenues. As of November 2021, Sales Tax Revenues is up 8% versus the same time last year. While we are not out of woods, the finance team is very encouraged that total revenues should be on target with the FY22 Budget.

Keeping with the Mayor's directive to ensure that the Village maintains sound fiscal responsibility, finance will continue to evaluate and monitor expenditures to ensure that they are in line and on target with the FY22 Budget.

The Finance Department looks forward to another great fiscal year as we continue to make strides to strengthen the financial viability of the Village.



Village Clerk | Kevin McGrier

Happy Holiday's to you and your Family from the Clerk's Office!

As we bring 2021 to a close, I can proudly say that the records in the Village of Broadview are in good order. All ordinances have been codified and are up to date on our Village website. If you ever need help locating an ordinance or locating a component of the Village code, please contact me during my office hours, 10am – 2pm Monday through Friday. (708) 681-3600.



Kevin McGrier

Join us at Clerk's McGrier's 1st Annual Chili Cook-off
Saturday, January 29, 2022 2:00pm @ Schroeder Park, 2600 S. 13th Ave.
Tasting starts at 2pm!

Participants of the Chili Cook-off will compete against each other for a chance to go up against the Clerk's award - winning Chili! All contestants must complete the required registration and agree to the rules. \$10 to enter your pot of Chili into the competition. Prizes and trophies will be awarded to the winners. All proceeds will go to the Broadview Senior Club.

For more information on how to be a contestant or if you wish to be a judge, please contact Village Clerk Kevin McGrier at kmcgrier@broadview-il.gov or at (708) 681-3600. Entry Deadline is January 7, 2022.

Also, the Broadview Senior Club is accepting new members. The Senior Club meets every Friday from 10:30am – 2:30pm at Schroeder Park, 2600 S. 13th Ave. The Seniors enjoy Bingo, Keno, celebrate Birthdays and attend various outings including Casino trips, Annual Zoo outing with the Mayor and lunch dates at local restaurants. Contact 708 381-0688 to join the Broadview Senior Club.

CLERK KEVIN MCGRIER'S
1ST ANNUAL

Join Us For

CHILI COOK-OFF

SATURDAY
JANUARY 29

Tasting begins at 2PM

SCHROEDER PARK
2600 S. 13TH AVE

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE BROADVIEW'S SENIOR CLUB



REGISTRATION
FEE FOR
CHILI COOKS

\$10

Join the Events!

- Chili Tasting & Judging
- \$1 for EACH taste
- Taste as many as you'd like!

PRIZES AND TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE WINNERS

Cooks must register by January 7,

contact the Clerk via email kmcgrier@broadview-il.gov or by phone (708) 681-3600

Face Coverings are Required

Vehicle Stickers

Vehicle Stickers 2022 are COMING SOON!

Go On Sale – March 15, 2022.

Vehicle Stickers must be displayed by May 1, 2022.



COVID-19 Testing

COVID-19 Testing @ Broadview Fire Department Parking Lot

Monday – Friday from 7 am – 7pm

To make an appointment, go to freecovidcare.com



Overnight Parking - Know Your Zone



For more information, contact the non-emergency police at 708-345-6550 & visit Village Hall to view the zone map.

Overnight Parking Permits are needed when parking in the designated zone areas. The monthly cost is \$30. Each zone is color coded:

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Zone 1 – Yellow | Zone 4 – Blue |
| Zone 2 – Pink | Zone 5 – Orange |
| Zone 3 – Green | Zone 6 – Red |

Water Bills

Understanding the New Water Billing:

- Water bills are due by the last business day of the month.
- If payment is not received by the due date, a 10% penalty fee will be applied.
- If you have a credit on your bill, you will see “CR” which means credit.



Did You Know?

- WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU!
- Water Department gives GREAT CUSTOMER SERVICE!
- Come in and pay your water bill, purchase an overnight parking permit, vehicle sticker, garbage stickers and/or yard stickers.

4 Ways to Pay Your Water Bill

By Mail – Allow five days for mailing. Once received, payments are applied daily. Mail payments to:

Village of Broadview
2350 South 25th Avenue | Broadview, IL 60155

No Cash Payments will be accepted!

In-Person – payments can be made in person during normal Village Hall office hours:

Monday – 8:30 am – 5:30 pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday – 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Wednesday – 8:30 am – 2:00 pm

Closed Saturday and Sunday

Acceptable payment methods in person are cash, check, money order and/or credit card (service fee applied when using a credit card).

Drop Box – For payments and correspondence, a 24-hour depository is located in the Village parking lot and/or inside Village Hall. The payment drop boxes are checked daily and payments are applied.

Online Payments - Online payment E-PAY @: www.broadview-il.gov and select “pay my water bill”. All online payments must be made by close of business day. If payments are received late, penalties will be applied the next day. Paying online can take up to three (3) business days for payments to be received and applied to water bill.

Water Department Hours of Operation

- Monday – 8:30 am – 5:30 pm
- Tuesday, Thursday, Friday – 8:30 am – 5:00 pm
- Wednesday – 8:30 am – 2:00 pm.
- Also last Saturday of the month from 9 am – 12 pm (except November & December)

Happy Holidays from the Broadview Fire Department!

Please assist the Fire Department by shoveling walkways and salting them to keep them free of ice. This protects you from slips and falls. In the event of an emergency, Paramedics carry heavy equipment and may have to carry you to safety. In big snow storms, you will see us out shoveling hydrants. If you can clear the hydrant near your home, you will help us obtain water faster in the event of a house fire. Let's work together keeping our village safe! If you know of anyone in need of a warming shelter, please go to keepwarm.illinois.gov for the closest locations in our area.



Ongoing Safety Programs

MyID a Public Safety Program

The medical ID that provides an easy way to access, store, and manage your health information. Your medical profile can be accessed anytime, anywhere via MyID Sticker. The Village of Broadview will provide Broadview residents one sticker packet free of charge. This helps Police and Fire access your medical information and emergency contacts in the event you are physically or mentally unable to provide us the information. Call the Fire department to receive your sticker. If you, or a family member are homebound, we will bring the sticker to you. Please call (708)343-6124 ext. 9, for more information.



Holiday Safety

Christmas Tree Care

- Keep your tree hydrated. A dry tree can ignite quickly.
- Make sure your tree is at least 3 feet away from heating sources, such as portable heaters and fireplaces.
- Unplug your lights when you are sleeping or away from home for an extended period of time.
- Make sure you have working smoke detectors!



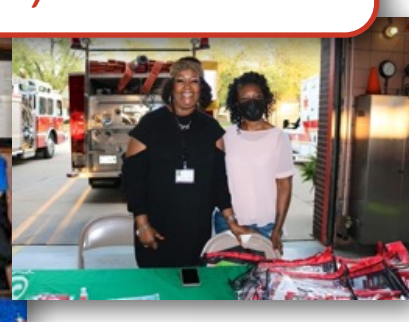
Smoke Detectors

Our Smoke detector program is still grant funded by the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance and the Office of the State Fire Marshall. What does this mean to our residents? If your smoke detectors are out-dated, the fire department will come to your home and do a non-punitive assessment to help you keep you and your family safe. We will install new detectors in your home. This is a no cost program for our residents. Please call Inspector Martin Scafidi at (708) 343-6124 ext 4.



Explorer Program

Our Explorer program is always open for enrollment. Do you know a Broadview resident between the ages of 14 and 21 that is interested in the Fire Service? Our youth program helps ignite more interest and help them obtain their career goals in the Fire Service. For more information on the program contact Explorer Coordinator Dave Cohen for more information at (708) 343-6124 ext. 5.



Thank you to all that attended our Public Safety Open House in September 2021!

Preventative Health Care

Blood pressure checks are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm in the fire department lobby. Use the lobby phone when you arrive.

FIRE

Coffee for Champions

On August 20th, the police department participated in "Coffee for Champions" fundraiser for the Special Olympics at DUNKIN located at 1940 W. Roosevelt Rd. Thanks to everyone's generosity, we raised \$2,200.00 for the Special Olympics! Deputy Chief Smith made his donation too!



New Broadview Police Officers

During 2021, the police department had 7 retirements including police officers and command staff.

In order to replace the retirees, the Board of Police and Fire Commission offered conditional letters of employment to candidates on the police eligibility list. **Brandy Johnson** and **Shelton Williams** are scheduled to graduate the police academy on December 17th. They will start field training on Monday, December 19th. **Congratulations to both Officer Johnson and Officer Williams!**

A 3rd conditional letter of employment was offered and accepted by **Sarah Krygowski**. Sarah passed all necessary pre-employment requirements and is scheduled to begin the police academy in January.

On October 30th, the police department held testing for the position of "Entry Level Police Officer". Nine applicants took the test. We look forward to meeting the applicants and guiding each of them through the process of becoming a Broadview Police Officer.

Tour De Proviso

Broadview, Bellwood, Maywood, Melrose Park, Oak Park, Riverside, and River Forest participated in the 2nd "Tour De Proviso" on October 2nd. Over 300 bicyclists rode from the Broadview Fire Department to the River Forest Metra Station where we had lunch and dessert. Officers blocked traffic for the cyclists along their path!



Broadview Park District Trick or Treat Event

The police department attended the Broadview Park District's Halloween Party and had a great time with some trick or treaters! Officer McMahon found Broadview's very own, Mayor Thompson!



Promotions



Broadview names **Thomas Mills** as Chief of Police, a 31 year member of the Chicago Police Department. Chief Mills fills the vacancy of Chief Kevin Eugling who retired in February of 2021.

"A city and community wants a chief who displays honesty at all times," said Mills, "Integrity and humility are the two most common components of the overall success of a police chief."



At the November 1st Village Board meeting, **Pierre Smith** was appointed to serve as Deputy Chief of Police.



On November 15th, Sergeant **Michael Akim** was promoted to Lieutenant.



Patrol Officer **Ian Florentino** was promoted to the rank of Sergeant.



Patrol Officer **Eric Davis** was promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

Retirements



Commander **Thomas Kostka** retired from the Broadview Police Department on November 7th, providing 29 years of service. Tom had been instrumental in several programs including the establishment of our bicycle unit. Numerous Out-Reach programs including Cop on Top, Special Olympics Torch Run, National Night Out and the Broadview Operation Santa Claus events in which Holiday Cheer is spread to those in need.



Commander **Robert Bartolotte** retired from the Broadview Police Department on November 21st, providing 27 years of service. Amongst his numerous awards and recognitions in his career, he was named Officer of the Year, Supervisor of the Year and a Life Saving Award, he was also instrumental in resolving a Parental Child abduction.



Director **Paul Kurtzner**, with more than 37 years of service, retired from the Broadview Police Department. Some of his recent accomplishments were leading the redesign of the Village Municipal Building and the formation of the IKE 911 Center. He has been named Employee of the Year, received Departmental, Divisional and Unit awards. Outstanding Achievement and Distinguished Service as well as commendations and recognitions from various other agencies and associations.

POLICE

Season's
Greetings



Around Town...



Critical Asset - Water Tower Renovation

The Village of Broadview recently completed the repairs and repainting of its 1.5 million gallons “hydro pillar” water tower. A water tower is an elevated building supporting a water tank constructed at a height sufficient to pressurize a distribution system for potable water, and to provide emergency storage for fire protection.

Water towers are able to supply water even during power outages, because they rely on hydrostatic pressure produced by elevation of water (due to gravity) to push the water into domestic and industrial water distribution systems; however, they cannot supply the water for a long time without power, because a pump is required to refill the tower. A water tower also serves as a reservoir to help with water needs during peak usage times. The water level in the tower typically falls during peak usage hours of the day, and then a pump fills it backup during the night. This process also keeps the water from freezing in cold weather.

Built in 1980 under Mayor Merrit Braga, it was last repainted in 1995. The recent repairs included adding a 40 foot ladder to the tank’s interior for easy and safe future inspections and maintenance. 1200 gallons of paint was used for this project, enough paint was used to paint approximately 350 interior homes in Broadview. The Cathodic system designed to prevent corrosion was replaced.

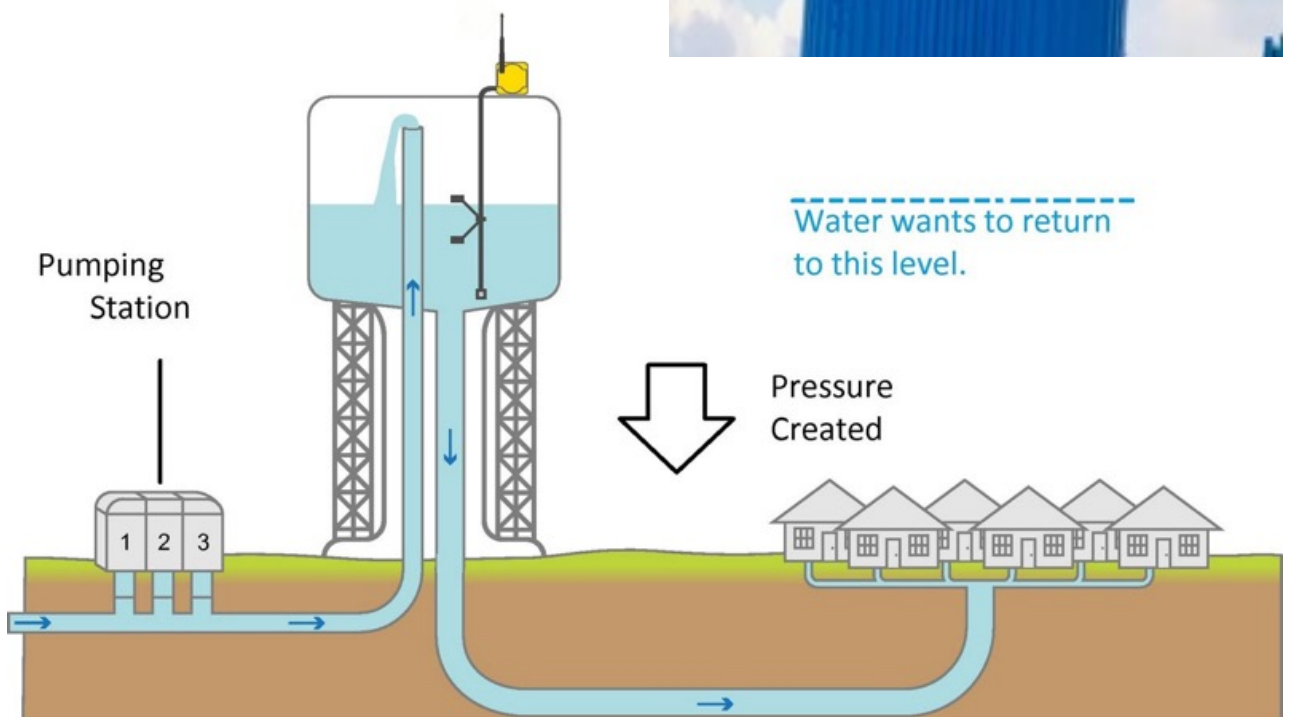
The work performed on this water tower will ensure safe drinking water to Broadview residents, its commercial, and industrial customers, for years to come.



Before



After



Winter Snow and Ice Control

With winter approaching the biggest concern for Public Works will be snow and ice control during and after snow events. Below are a few Winter Reminders:

- In order to keep the street safe, the Village Ordinance prohibits street parking during the snow season, or after a two-inch snowfall, until after the streets have been cleared by Village plows.
- The Village recommends waiting to remove snow from the driveway apron until the roads have been plowed from curb to curb. Please do not push snow from driveways out into the street as this can cause hazardous driving conditions.

- Refuse collection can be more difficult during the winter months when there is snow on the ground. The village respectfully requests that all refuse and recycling containers be placed on parkway adjacent to the street. Please do not put containers in the street as this can create a hazard for drivers and makes snow plowing less efficient.



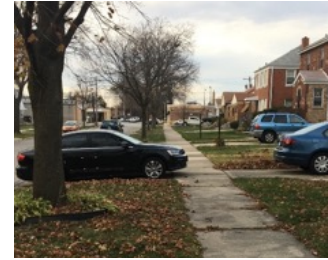
Sidewalks

During winter the Public Works Department is often able to clear the sidewalks of snow using our trackless



vehicle. Please do not block or obstruct the sidewalk in any manner. It is prohibited by Village ordinance 8-2-9: PROHIBITED ACTS AND CONDITIONS: B. Obstructions:

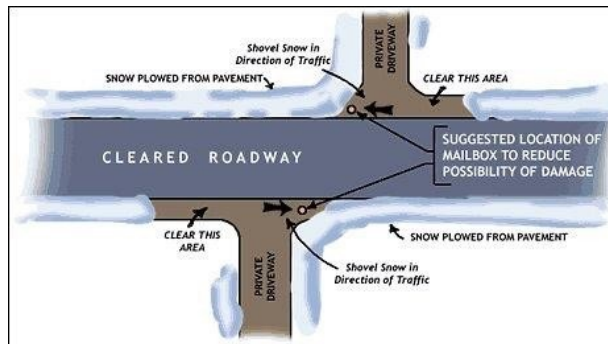
"It shall be unlawful for any person to obstruct in any manner any street, alley or sidewalk. The Chief of Police is authorized to remove or cause the removal of any obstruction in any such place."



Why do Broadview Public works plow trucks push snow into my driveway/sidewalk after I clean it?

Throughout the winter months, Broadview Public Works crews will be out clearing the roads during and after snowfalls. At the same time residents are clearing their driveways or sidewalks. Many times while this is going on, a plow truck will go by and fill in the end of a freshly cleared driveway with snow from the road or push snow onto the sidewalk, causing frustration and more clearing for residents. Please understand that the Public work first priority is the safety of the traveling public and clearing the roads of snow and ice and pushing it off of the road and shoulders, and sometimes into shoveled pathways. Plow trucks usually makes one pass to open the road up so residents may get in and out. Then the truck comes back to widen the road and then the shoulders for future snow accumulation. Residents sometimes call and ask why we cannot pick

up the blade when going by their driveway. This is not a practical solution and our drivers would never finish clearing the roads due to the multitude of driveways. Finally, the following is a diagram which shows how residents can remove snow in a manner that will lessen amount of snow that is pushed back into the driveway from a subsequent pass by a plow:



Tips Before Winter...

- Be sure to remove all hoses from outside spigots and turn off the valve that feeds the spigot, if possible. Once this is done, open the spigot to release any leftover water, which prevents freezing and cracking.
- If your water meter is in an uninsulated area, please keep the door open to allow heat to access the space. The warm air will help to avoid frozen water lines and bursting pipes!

Senior Housing Development Completed

The new three-story, multifamily housing development was completed in November 2021. The ribbon cutting ceremony and open house was held in December 2021. The Senior Housing development will provide 70 one and two-bedroom apartments for seniors and veterans in the Village of Broadview. The building was designed to be certified by the National Green Building Standard and incorporates many energy efficient features, improved indoor air quality, and low water use plumbing fixtures. The goal was to provide a long-term, healthy and sustainable environment for our seniors and veterans.



Broadview Homes Information August - October 2021

Median List Price - \$255,000.00

Median Sales Price - \$260,000.00

Median Estimated Home Value - \$248,000.00

Median Price/Sq. Ft. - \$193.00

Average Days On Market - 43

Contractor Registration

9-2-8: REGISTRATION OF CONTRACTORS; BOND, CERTIFICATE 1 :

Any contractor or subcontractor, whether an individual, sole proprietor, partnership or corporation, performing work in the village shall not commence work until the contractor or subcontractor has first applied for and received an annual certificate of registration.

Applications for the certificate of registration shall be submitted on forms supplied by the building department.

All applications shall be accompanied by a registration fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and by proof of a bond in the minimum sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00); provided however that the following contractors shall submit proof of a bond in the sums stated in section 3-1-6 of this code: house movers; sign erectors; building wreckers.

Upon receipt of the completed application, required fee and proof of bond, the building commissioner shall issue the certificate.

The annual certificate shall be valid for the current calendar year of January 1 to December 31. (Ord. 09-34, 8-3-2009)



Winter Heating System Checklist

As you prepare for the winter, make sure that you winterize your heating system:

- **Test run:** Turn the thermostat to heat mode and set it to 80 degrees, just for testing. You should hear the furnace turn on, and warm air should begin to blow within a few minutes. If the furnace is running fine, turn the thermostat back to its normal setting. If the furnace is not running properly, call a qualified service technician to service your furnace.
- **Replace the air filter:** Put in a new clean air filter. It is easy, and doing so will ensure a free flow of air and a cleaner environment. Each furnace has its own requirements for air filters, so follow the manufacturer's recommendations.
- **Check fuel supply:** If you have a propane or fuel oil furnace, make sure that your fuel storage tank is topped off and ready to go.
- **Inspect and clean heating vents:** Clear obstacles to heating vents, so air can freely flow. Many experts recommend having a service technician come in and clean the vents every year or two.
- **Check for carbon monoxide leaks:** This silent killer can be detected with either an inexpensive test badge or battery-operated alarm. If you discover problems, call in a professional immediately to identify and correct the cause of the CO leak. Usually, this involves leakage in the exhaust system of a furnace or other fuel-burning appliance, such as a water heater. A CO leak is a very dangerous situation.
- **Check exhaust vents:** Some furnaces and boilers, as well as gas water heaters, vent through a chimney, while newer high-efficiency models may vent through plastic pipes running through a side wall. Make sure these vents are open and free of obstructions. A vent that has not been used all summer may have become home to birds or other animals, which can block the vent pipes and interfere with the furnace's ability to burn efficiently and properly vent exhaust gases.

Business Licenses

Business licenses and registrations expire on December 31 of each calendar year.

3-1-1: APPLICABILITY OF PROVISIONS:

All business, commercial and industrial activities in the village of whatever nature except those listed in section 3-1A-2 of this chapter are required to obtain a license to operate. No person, firm or corporation not otherwise licensed by this code except those engaged in a business listed in section 3-1A-2 of this chapter shall engage in any commercial, business or industrial activity of whatever kind in the village without first having obtained a business license as provided in this chapter. Application for a business license shall be made in conformance with the requirements of section 3-1-2 of this chapter relating to application for licenses. (Ord. 2003-02, 3-3-2003)

3-1-4: INVESTIGATION, INSPECTIONS:

A. Application And Inspection Procedures:

7. No license shall be issued to any person, business, or entity indebted to the village unless and until such indebtedness is paid to the village, or until the corporate authorities discharge such indebtedness in accordance with the terms and conditions fixed by the corporate authorities.

3-1-5: TERMINATION OF LICENSE OR REGISTRATION, PAYMENT OF FEE:

A. Annual License: All annual licenses or registration shall terminate on December 31 of the calendar year. The Building Department shall mail all licensees a statement of the time of expiration of licenses held by the licensees three (3) weeks prior to the date of expiration. The failure to send out such notice or the failure of the licensee to receive it shall not excuse the licensee from the failure to obtain a new license or a renewal thereof, nor shall it be a defense in any action for operating without a license.

B. Payment Of Fees: The fees shall be paid at the time the license or registration is issued. When an applicant has not engaged in business until after the expiration of part of a current year, the license fee shall be prorated monthly and the fee paid for such period during which the business has been or will be conducted.

C. Advance Payment: No such payment of any license fee in advance of the issuance of the license in due form shall entitle or authorize any person to any of the rights or privileges conferred by the issuance of any license or to the opening or maintaining of any business or establishment contrary to any of the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. 2003-02, 3-3-2003)

3-1-7: LICENSE TO BE POSTED:

It shall be the duty of any person conducting a licensed business in the village to keep his license posted in plain view on the premises used for such business at all times. (Ord. 2003-02, 3-3-2003)

Please refer to www.Broadview-Il.gov - Building Code



Building Department

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday
Wednesday

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

(Appointments are required for property transfers.)

TEAM:

Building Commissioner - David Upshaw
Administrative Clerks – Cassandra Yarrington &
Shannon Latham
Building Inspector – Greg Buchanan

Phone: 708-345-8174

Email: building@broadview-il.gov

Winter Weather Preparedness



While the official start of winter is not for several weeks, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA), Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL), Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM), Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the National Weather Service (NWS) are encouraging people to begin preparing now for extreme cold, snow and ice.

“In Illinois, it’s not a question of if, but rather when will snow, ice and sub-zero temperatures occur,” said IEMA Director Alicia Tate-Nadeau. “Being unprepared for winter weather is not only inconvenient, but it can be dangerous. That’s why we are encouraging all Illinoisans to take a few minutes to put together your home and vehicle emergency supply kits and review the steps you should take to stay safe during hazardous winter weather.”

When checking and restocking a vehicle’s emergency supply kit, make sure it contains items such as:

- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Non-perishable snack food
- Water
- Sand or cat litter
- Shovel
- Booster cables
- Cell phone charger



“At the Illinois Department of Transportation, we spend the entire year planning and preparing to keep you safe during our challenging Illinois winters,” said Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman. “The public plays an important part as well. Make sure your vehicle is in safe, working condition at all times. Pack an emergency kit to store in your vehicle. Don’t crowd the plow when you’re driving. Most important, during inclement weather, ask yourself if your trip is really necessary or can be postponed.”

Winter Weather Health Hazards

Prolonged exposure to the cold can cause serious problems including hypothermia, a drop in the body’s core temperature. It doesn’t require negative temperatures and can set in when you’re outdoors or in. Hypothermia is especially dangerous and can be deadly if not detected promptly and treated properly.

Frostbite occurs when your extremities (fingers, toes, nose, and ears) are exposed to cold weather. The skin may become stiff and numb, leading to severe tissue damage. Frostbite can permanently damage the body, and severe cases can lead to amputation.

“Workers in Illinois, including first responders, construction workers and public works crews brave the elements year-round. It’s critical these workers – and others – prepare for severe conditions. While it starts with dressing properly for the weather, it’s also important your body is prepared for additional stress,” said Illinois Department of Labor Director Michael Kleinik.

Medical professionals encourage people who must work outside regularly in the winter weather consider scheduling a physical exam before that winter work begins.

A study by the University of Illinois Chicago published in 2020 shows while there were more heat-related hospital admissions between 2011 and 2018, there were 1,935 cold-related deaths compared to 70 heat-related deaths.

Recognize Home Heating Dangers

According to the Center of Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC’s) National Center for Health Statistics, in 2017, 399 people died of unintentional non-fire carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning. In 2016, local fire departments in the U.S. responded to 79,600 carbon monoxide incidents, or an average of nine such calls per hour. In 2018 according to National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS), Illinois Fire Departments responded to 8,965 incidents related to carbon monoxide. CO is found in fumes produced any time you burn fuel in cars or trucks, small engines, stoves, lanterns, grills, fireplaces, gas ranges, or furnaces. CO can build up indoors and poison people and animals who breathe it. During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet from all heat sources including fireplaces, wood stoves,
- Radiators, space heaters and candles.
- Create a kid-free zone around open fires and space heaters
- Never use an oven to heat your home
- Turn space heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed. Remember...space heaters need space!
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before being placed into a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Install carbon monoxide and smoke detectors on each floor of your home and within 15 feet of each sleeping area.
- CO detectors have a limited life span, check the manufacturer’s instructions for information on replacement.
- Use portable generators outdoors in well-ventilated areas away from doors, windows and vents.

“Home fires occur more during the winter months than any other time of the year. Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths in the U.S. which is why we stress the importance of maintaining heating equipment and having chimneys cleaned and inspected by a professional each year,” said Illinois State Fire Marshal Matt Perez. “It’s also important to make sure your smoke and CO alarms are working properly and are not expired. Test those alarms monthly and replace any broken or expired alarm.”

Keep in mind, being prepared for winter doesn’t have to cost a lot of money or take a lot of time. It could be as simple as making sure your vehicle is in good winter driving condition, adding a winter survival kit to your car, changing your furnace filter at home and stocking or updating your family’s emergency supply kit. Take time now to prepare your family, home, vehicles and driving habits for everything from a dusting of snow to a major winter storm.

For more information about winter weather preparedness, visit the Ready Illinois website at www.Ready.Illinois.gov.

Welcome New Homeowners...



Calendar of Events

DECEMBER

- December 10: Village Christmas Parade
- December 21: Winter Begins
- December 24: Christmas Eve -
Village Offices will be CLOSED
- December 25: Christmas Day -
Village Offices will be CLOSED
- December 31: New Year's Eve -
Village Offices will be CLOSED

JANUARY 2022

- January 10: MOU Signing Day
(Broadview Business Stakeholders)
9 a.m. | Village Chambers
- January 17: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Village Offices will be CLOSED
- January 29: Clerk Kevin McGrier 1st Annual
Chili Cook-Off
2 p.m. | Schroeder Park

JANUARY 2022

- January 1: New Year's Day -
Village Offices will be CLOSED
- January 7: Mayor Thompson presents...
Broadview Young Scholars of
Tomorrow Rec Time
5 p.m. - 7 p.m. | Schroeder Park
Students in grades 6-8

FEBRUARY 2022 - BLACK HISTORY MONTH

- February 14: Valentine's Day
- February 21: Presidents' Day -
Village Offices will be CLOSED

MARCH 2022

- March 13: Daylight Savings Ends
- March 20: Spring Begins

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Village President

Katrina R. Thompson

Village Clerk

Kevin McGrier

Village Administrator

LeTisa Jones

Finance Director

South Central Capital Group, LLC

Treasurer

Thomas Hood



Village Hall

2350 South 25th Avenue
Broadview, Illinois 60155-3827
(708) 681-3600

Hours

Monday: 8:30am - 5:30pm
Tuesday, Thursday
& Friday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
Wednesday: 8:30am - 2:00pm

Trustees

Judy Abraham

Sheila Armour

Patricia Chao-Malave

Judy Miller

Andrea Senior

Village Attorney

Del Galdo Law Group, LLC

Village Meetings

Mayor, Trustees & Committees meet on the
1st & 3rd Monday each month at 7:30pm.

All meetings are open to the public and are held in the Council
Chambers of the Municipal Building at
2350 South 25th Avenue

Residents are encouraged to attend.

Live streaming of Village Board meetings is now available.

The Village Board typically meets the first and third Monday
of the month at 7:30 p.m. Live streaming can be viewed via
the Village's website at www.broadview-il.gov under the
government tab, then go to Village Board, and then to Village
Board Meetings. If you have questions regarding this, please
contact Sobieda Sierra, Executive Assistant, at 708-681-3600.