



# Random News, Reminders & Notes

## *Village of Random Lake*

December, 2019

### Village of Random Lake

96 Russell Drive  
P.O. Box 344  
Random Lake, WI 53075

**(920) 994-4852**

#### Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8am – 4pm

#### Village President

Bob McDermott (920) 980-7403

#### Board of Trustees

Barbara Ruege (920) 994-2480  
Blaine Werner (920) 946-0004  
Elizabeth Manian (414) 322-3357  
Eric Stowell (262) 365-7397  
Mark Bichler (920) 207-7069  
Mike San Felippo (414) 581-2197

#### Director of Public Works

Joe Huiras (920) 980-0598

#### Clerk/Treasurer

Jo Ann Lesser (920) 994-4852

#### Assessor

Grota Appraisals (262) 253-1143

#### Building Inspector

Walt Grotelueschen (262) 675-0909

#### Garbage/Recycling

Advance Disposal (888) 688-4005

Scheduled Collection Day – Friday

**\*If there is a holiday the week of pickup, your trash will be picked up a day later (Saturday).**

**\*Village Ordinances prohibit trash and recycling carts from being placed at the curb more than 24 hours prior to pick up.**

**\*Please take carts away from the curb at your earliest convenience to avoid damage, or being scattered during windy conditions.**

The Village office will be closed for the following holidays:

Christmas: December 24 & 25  
New Year's: December 31 & January 1

### Tax Collections – 2019

Personal Property Tax: Paid in full by January 31 of each year.

Real Estate Tax: First installment due January 31

– Payable to: *Village of Random Lake*

Second installment due July 31 – Payable to: *Sheboygan County Treasurer*

Taxes are collected at the Village office in December and January during regular office hours. This year the office will be closed December 24, 25, 31 and January 1. Property owners must pay, at a minimum, the first installment of their annual real estate tax to the Village of Random Lake, on or before January 31. Payments may also be placed in the drop box outside the main entrance to the Village office.

- If you would like a receipt and you either mail or put your payment in the drop box, remember to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.
- To receive credit for payment in 2019, envelopes must be dated and postmarked by December 31.
- Please note: This year the Village office will have the capability of accepting credit card electronic payments. Online bill pay from your bank is also accepted, payable to the Village of Random Lake mailed to P.O. Box 344, Random Lake, WI 53075. Be sure to include the parcel I.D. on the memo line – 59176\_\_\_\_\_.

Second installment of real estate taxes are due July 31 and handled by Sheboygan County. Payments must be made payable to and mailed to: Sheboygan County Treasurer, 508 New York Avenue, Sheboygan, WI 53081-4126.

To view or print a copy of your tax bill, visit:

<https://treasurer.sheboygancounty.com/GCSWebPortal/Search.aspx>

Please contact the Village office during regular office hours with questions regarding your tax bill or payment.

### 2020 Election Dates

- Spring Primary – February 18, 2020
- Partisan Primary – August 18, 2020
- Spring Election – April 7, 2020
- General Election – November 3, 2020

The spring election will have 3 two-year term Trustee positions on the ballot.

The current Trustees whose terms end in April are: Elizabeth Manian, Mark Bichler, and Mike San Felippo.

“Declaration of Candidacy” and “Nomination” paperwork is available in the Village office for anyone interested in running for one of the positions.

Nomination papers must contain the signatures and addresses of at least 20 Village residents and be filed at Village office prior to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 7, 2020. If a primary is necessary, it will be held on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.



### 2020 Pavilion Rental Schedule

January 2, 2020- January 10, 2020: Reservations open to Village Organizations

January 13, 2020 -January 17, 2020: Reservations open to Village Residents

January 17 -rest of season: Reservations open to all requests

If you're interested in reserving the Lakeview Park Pavilion, take a look on our calendar of events on the Village website ([www.randomlakewi.com](http://www.randomlakewi.com)) to see if the day you'd like to reserve is available. If it is, you can find a copy of the Pavilion Agreement on our website as well. Please fill it out and either mail it in with your 2 checks or drop it off at the Village office. We look forward to being part of your party planning in the New Year!

\*\*Village crews will once again pick up Christmas Trees and wreaths put out by the curb. Please remove all lights, tinsel, and other decorations from your trees and wreaths, or they will not be picked up. Please no artificial trees. \*\*

**BRUSH PILE IS CLOSED UNTIL SPRING**

## Winter Reminders:

The winter parking ordinance is in effect. This ordinance prohibits parking on Village streets between the hours of 2:45 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. You may not park overnight on the street even if there is no snow. Village parking lots are available for overnight parking of vehicles.

### **(5) SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL Ordinance 2019-7 (Repealing Recreating Section 30-5 (a) & (b) of the Municipal Code)**

- (a) **Sidewalk, Crosswalk and Handicap Accessibility Ramps to be Kept Clear.** The owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot which fronts upon or abuts any sidewalk, shall keep said sidewalk clear of all snow and ice. In the event of snow accumulating on said sidewalk due to natural means and/or by any other means, said sidewalks shall be cleared of all accumulated snow and/or ice within 24 hours from the time the snow ceases to accumulate on said sidewalk. Sidewalks are to be kept clear of snow and ice for the width of the sidewalk. In the event that ice has formed on any sidewalk in such manner that it cannot be removed, the owner occupant or person in charge of the parcel or lot which fronts upon or adjoins said sidewalk shall keep the sidewalk sprinkled with material to accelerate melting or prevent slipping.
- (b) **Deposit in or Across any Street Prohibited.** No person shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, any snow or ice taken and removed from his/her premise or elsewhere upon any sidewalk, alley, parkway, public place in or across any street in the village. Snow shall not be piled at or near intersections so as to obstruct the view of pedestrians or operators of motor vehicles.

**Fourth Quarter Water Bill** – Due January 17. **Please do not include payment of your water bill on the same check as your tax payment.** The tax and water bills are two separate departments. Water bills should be made payable to the **Random Lake Water Department** and tax payments payable to **Village of Random Lake**. Please feel free to use the drop box after hours and we will pick it up on the next business day.

### 2020 – Billing & Late Payment Procedure

Bill Issued	March 16	June 15	September 14	December 14
Bill Due – <i>Past due statement issued</i>	April 17	July 17	October 16	January 15, 2021
Order Water Shut-off – <i>10 day notice issued</i>	April 30	July 30	<i>Tax Roll Process</i>	April 1, 2021
Water Shut-off	May 11	August 10	<i>Tax Roll Process</i>	April 15, 2021

Tax Roll Process:

- Notices mailed to unpaid accounts – October 16
- 10% applied to unpaid accounts – November 1
- Unpaid accounts applied to tax roll – November 15

**Tenants:** The property owner (landlord) will receive a copy of past due statements and tax roll information.

**Deferred Payment Agreements** are available if you are unable to pay the full amount of your bill. Stop in or phone the Village office to discuss arrangements: (920) 994-4852; 96 Russell Drive.

### Why a Sewer Rate Increase: From the Desk of the Village President

The existing waste water treatment plant is 45 years old. The life expectancy is 20 years. We definitely have been serviced well because of the proper design and appropriate maintenance. For the last 5 plus years the Village has been exploring the need for updates and for a new Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Either option requires the need to increase the existing sewer rate. The Village Board approved to raise the present rate by 9% per 1000 gallons used. That will allow the Village to line, repair, or replace the present sewer in certain areas, some of which were installed in 1936. It is beyond time to address these issues. In 2021, with final design of the WWTP, we will again examine the sewer expenses and address the rate issue. By keeping on top of the rate schedule, we will be able to meet the costs associated with the WWTP infrastructure without borrowing 100% of all costs. That in itself will be a savings to the residents. No one on the board wants to raise rates, however, the board as your elected representatives, unanimously saw the need to do so. I applaud the Board in its decision; I believe their vote had the best interest of the Village, its residents, & the future in mind. If you have any questions, feel free to call me. Thank you for your time & positive consideration in this matter. –Bob McDermott, Village President.

### **DOG and CAT licenses are required in the Village of Random Lake.**

#### **Licenses can be purchased from the Village office located at: 96 Russell Drive**

Wisconsin Statutes (Sections 95.21(2), 174.05, and 174.07(1) (b)) require all dogs that are 5 (five) months of age or older to be licensed. The owner of the dog must obtain a license annually prior to April 1<sup>st</sup>, OR, on or before the date the dog becomes 5 (five) months of age. \*Evidence that the dog/cat is currently immunized against rabies must be presented before a license can be issued. Failure to obtain a license prior to the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline will result in a late fee of \$10.00 per animal. A dog/cat license may NOT be transferred from one dog/cat to another.

