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Fall 2018

The fall general election is approaching...

Vote on November 6, 2018!

In person voting begins on Oct. 17th. Absentee ballots are available by request or at MyVote.WI.gov.

Offices on the ballot are Governor, U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, odd-numbered Wisconsin State Senate seats, and all Wisconsin Assembly seats. In addition, there are three County and two School referenda.



The compost site closes on November 14, 2018.

Update from the Utilities Committee:

On July 3, 2018 the Utilities Committee approved a sewer rate increase of 5% effective this third quarter billing period. A chart showing how the increase affects your quarterly utility bill is available online at:

https://villageofwhiting.org/utilities/

Payment arrangements may be available; please contact Annette at the Village Office for more information.

Retirements & Recognition of Service

Debi Lutz retired from her position as Clerk-Treasurer on June 1, 2018. Debi served over 25 years working for the Village. Her responsibilities were numerous and she was truly a valuable resource. Thank you, Debi, for all your years of dedication and hard work!

Also effective June 1, Annette Stashek was appointed as our new Clerk-Treasurer. Annette was formerly the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer and she has been with the Village for 3 years. Thank you, Annette, for your service to our community!

In April, *Bill Horvath* & *Richard Marquard* retired from their positions as Village Trustees. Bill served 7 years and Richard served 5 years. Bill continues his work as Chairperson of the Tree Board. Thank you both for your years of service!

Our new Trustees elected in April are Ben Pavlik and Jenna Helminski. Welcome!

Wallace Place Property Purchase

On June 12, the Village Board approved the purchase of property from VERSO MN WI LLC in the amount of \$120,000. The land is approximately 14 acres and is zoned in conservancy. It is a beautiful, natural space located at the corner of Spring Street on Wallace Place. Part of the property has potential for residential development. It is also excellent parkland, a natural extension of Whiting Park. With the Board's approval to purchase, it is now Village owned.

The Village is pursuing a DNR grant which would offset the cost of the land, and discussion is taking place about what parts, if any, could or should be set aside for development. For now it remains in conservancy.

Board members would like to hear more from the Village residents. Please share your thoughts and ask your questions by contacting Trustees directly, or by attending a Village Board meeting. Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7pm.

Business 51 (Post Road) Construction Project

For updates, traffic impacts, and business information visit the DOT project website at:



https://projects.511wi.gov/business51/

Construction began in mid-July and is scheduled for completion in November 2019.

Flease Note, the Village office will be closed on:

Thanksgiving, Nov. 22 & 23 Christmas, Dec. 25 New Year's, Jan. 1



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