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Village of Huntley 10987 Main Street Huntley, IL 60142

**Village President** Charles H. Sass

#### **Trustees**

Ronda Goldman Tim Hoeft Niko Kanakaris Harry Leopold John Piwko JR Westberg

Village Manager David Johnson

**Deputy Village Manager** Lisa Armour

#### Important Village **Phone Numbers**

Village Hall: 847-515-5200

Water Billing: 847-515-5200

Public Works: 847-515-5222

**Development Services:** 847-515-5252

Police non-emergency: 847-515-5311

Police emergency dial 911

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THE MUNICIPAL COMPLEX APPEARS TO BE IN A SNOW GLOBE IN THIS WINTRY SCENE CAPTURED BY HUNTLEY RESIDENT, JEFF DOLES.

## Calendar of Events

**Consolidated Primary Election** February 23

> Farmers Market March 13

Pie (Pi) Fun Run/Walk March 14

**Daylight Saving Begins** March 14

> Spring Holiday Village offices closed April 2

**Consolidated Election** April 6

> Farmers Market April 10

# 2021 LOCAL ELECTION AND VOTING INFORMATION

## FEBRUARY 23, 2021 - CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION

Nomination of Township and Municipal candidates to include:

Township - Supervisor, Trustees, Clerk, Assessor, Highway Commissioner

#### **APRIL 6, 2021 - CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION**

Election of Township, Municipal, Park District, Library District, School District and Fire District officials. Officials to be elected in the 2021 Consolidated Election include:

- Village of Huntley -
  - 1 Village President (Mayor) 4 year term
  - 3 Village Trustees 4 year term
- Township Supervisor, Trustees, Clerk, Assessor, Highway Commissioner
- Park District Commissioners
- Library Trustees
- School Board Trustees
- Community College District Trustees
- Fire Protection District Trustees



Please visit your County Clerk website for additional details including voting locations, hours, sample ballots and more.

McHenry County Voting Information: www.mchenrycountyil.gov Kane County Voting Information: www.kanecountyclerk.org/Elections

Residents may register to vote at the Village of Huntley Municipal Complex, 10987 Main Street. You may also contact the McHenry County Clerk (815-334-4242) or the Kane County Clerk (630-232-5950) for voting registration information.

# Village Manager Update

On January 14, 2021, the Village Board approved an employment agreement with David Johnson to serve as Village Manager, effective January 15. He previously served as Village Manager from August, 2008 to April, 2020.

### Village Hall Display Case

If you have visited the Municipal Complex you might have noticed our display case in the lobby and some of the interesting displays we have each month. This is a great place for Huntley organizations and groups to share displays, collections, local community awareness and more.

For more information on the display case, please contact Rita McMahon, Village Clerk at 847-515-5261 or <a href="mcmahon@huntley.il.us">mcmahon@huntley.il.us</a>. You may also visit the <a href="mailto:village Clerk webpage">Village Clerk webpage</a> for additional details.



# **Huntley Farmers Market**

Join us on the second Saturday of each month through May and continue enjoying homegrown and homemade items from our local family farms and vendors.

This year, the market is held in the Legion Hall (11712 Coral Street) and outside the

building from 9 am to 1 pm. Booths are socially distanced and masks must be worn by all. Curbside delivery is also available.

Learn more at www.huntley.il.us



# 2021 Annual Operating and Capital Budget Approved

In accordance with Illinois State Statute and direction received from the Village Board of Trustees, the 2021 Annual Operating and Capital Budget was approved on December 10. Through the budget preparation and review process, operational and capital projects goals were identified for completion in 2021. Goals were approved in support of the mission, vision and values statement of the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan. The 2021 Fiscal Year (FY21) Operating and Capital Budget totals \$29,412,564 in expenditures for all funds. Major projects for 2021 include:

- \$2,429,000 Annual Street Improvement Program
  that will provide for roadway resurfacing in the
  Covington Subdivision (\$2,114,000) and pavement
  patching, crack sealing, seal coating and pavement
  marking at various locations throughout the Village,
  most notably in Sun City Neighborhood 11.
- \$2,100,000 in water main replacement work on IL Route 47 between Main Street and Mill Street; Mill Street from IL Route 47 to Dean Street; and Dean Street from Mill Street south to Martin Street.
- \$1,500,000 in the Downtown TIF Fund for the construction of stormwater improvements near Church Street and Mill Street.

- \$200,000 for repair of the Freeman Road culvert east of the Weber Global Distribution Center.
- \$170,000 for partial Phase II Engineering for realignment and widening of Kreutzer Road, with a three-lane cross section, from Walmart east to Haligus Road (6,500 feet), including realignment at the railroad crossing, box culvert improvements and a multiuse path to improve traffic flow and provide an off-road pathway for pedestrian traffic.
- \$491,200 for the replacement of police vehicles, public works vehicles and equipment, and computers and network components.

In accordance with Village financial and budget policies, the proposed budget for the General Operating Fund is balanced with \$12,938,389 in revenues and expenditures.



# From the Huntley Police Department - Teen Dating Violence Awareness

One in three teens will experience physical, sexual or emotional abuse by a dating partner. Educating your teen on healthy relationships and setting and communicating appropriate boundaries can help keep them safe now and set them up for more successful adult relationships.

Emotional boundaries allow individuals to express themselves freely, including the need to spend some time apart.

**Physical boundaries** mean each partner is comfortable with any physical contact and understands that sex is not a currency. Before entering a relationship, individuals need to be able to assert their feelings as well as respect those of others. Consent is a clear and enthusiastic yes. If someone seems unsure, stays silent, doesn't respond or says "maybe..." then they are NOT saying yes.

**Digital boundaries** means the digital privacy expectations of each partner are respected, including keeping passwords private and communicating respectfully over text message. No one should feel pressured into sexting and sharing/receiving nude photos. Sexting can also have legal consequences. Any nude photo or video of someone under the age of 18 could be considered child pornography, which is illegal to own or distribute.

Sometimes teens find it difficult to discuss these types of issues with their parents. Remind them there are other resources, such as the school social worker/counselor, the School Resource Officer (SRO), Turning Point (815-338-8081), and the National Domestic Violence Hotline (800-799-7233). Anyone experiencing domestic violence is encouraged to contact local law enforcement. We are here to help you. For more information on teen dating violence, please see <a href="www.loveisrespect.org">www.loveisrespect.org</a>.

# Freeman Road Project Update (Project Pumpkin)

Venture One Acquisitions has approached the Village to annex and develop property commonly known as the Stade Farm, 41W368 Freeman Road (across from the former outlet center). The property is currently located in unincorporated Kane County and is approximately 260 acres. Venture One is proposing to annex the 260 acre property and immediately develop the southern 152 acres with a building of approximately 629,186 square feet for a distribution center. The developer is referring to the project as Project Pumpkin, as the developer has not yet officially identified the end user (tenant) for Lot 1. Per Venture One, the project is anticipated to create up to 1,000 jobs. The Village Board reviewed the project conceptually on January 14th. The Plan Commission conducted a concept review of the project on January 25th, and will discuss the development again on February 16th. The formal public hearing will be conducted by the Plan Commission on February 22, 2021. A link to the Village website provides additional information regarding the development: <a href="https://huntley.il.us/departments/development services/development updates.php">https://huntley.il.us/departments/development services/development updates.php</a>