



From the Desk of **Mayor Jeff Walik**

I hope everyone likes the new design and look of our Stickney Times newsletter. Our goal is to give you a cleaner, crisper and better informed newsletter. This issue will include articles written by the Assistants of the Department Heads.

As I stated before, on behalf of myself and the entire Village Board, we are committed to working hard for each and every resident, school, church, and community organization.

I can only say "WOW" when I look around at all the progress that has been made in the last four months.

I would like to thank our Chief of Police and the entire police force for a great job. You may have noticed that traffic enforcement has increased in town. Crime is down and patrol procedures are up. Our

Fire Department Chief and Deputy Chief have also been working very hard putting together our paramedic program. We are working on and hoping to get grant money. This is a new and exciting program.

Public Works Department has stepped up their clean-up efforts. Our alleys and streets are looking better and we are in the final stages of completing the curb and street painting.

Our front office personnel have been working hard on moving our building projects along, and the water department with our Treasurer has collected over \$280,000.00 in outstanding water bills that hadn't been collected in the last four years. Our Treasurer has also saved us approximately \$40,000.00 by combining some computer operations and auditing money. He is always looking for ways to save the Village money.

At this time we are looking ahead at spring projects. The Village will be budgeting for two additional police officers, two more police cars and one new fire truck.

We will also be upgrading our computer system. With this upgrade we hope to be able to process building projects and blight offenses as well as water bills, permits and overnight parking issues more efficiently. We also hope to have the Village computers sync with the police department computers to be able to work hand in hand with each other. This will not include any police files that are confidential.

In spite of all the tragic events that have been happening in the United States, on this Thanksgiving Day let us take a moment and reflect on things that we are thankful for. Set aside your fears, worries and frustrations, pull close to you the ones you love. Live each day to the fullest. Make a difference in someone's life and please don't forget about all of our First Responders, Police, Fire and Military who put their lives on the line every day to protect us and keep us safe.

With the holidays fast approaching, the Parks and Recs committee is planning a senior and children's Christmas party sponsored by the Village. The parties will be held on Saturday, December 9th, so save that date! These parties are for Village residents and registration will be necessary showing proof of residency. More information will be available very soon at the Village hall and on the website.

To all of our great residents, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Safe New Year!

Thank you for your continued support!



Best Regards, Mayor Jeff Walik 1.1.0

Your Village Officials

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From the Desk of Clerk Audrey McAdams

VETERAN'S DAY

An armistice treaty between the Allies and Germany ending World War I (then called the "Great War") was signed on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. The first Armistice Day was held on November 11, 1919, the one-year anniversary of this signing. On May 13, 1938 a law made the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday called Armistice Day. This was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I. In 1954, after the American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83rd Congress amended the Act of 1938 by changing "Armistice" and inserting in its place the word "Veterans". On June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of

all wars. Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. The important purpose of Veterans Day is a celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

We will be observing Veterans Day on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the Veteran's Memorial. Please come out and join us.

STICKNEY VETERAN'S MEMORIAL MONUMENT located on 39th and Ridgeland is a tribute to the men and women who have answered our country's call to protect our freedom. Stickney businesses, veterans or families of veterans can add a veteran's name to the Stickney Veteran's Memorial Monument. Those who would like their name or the name of their loved one to be inscribed will be asked to pay \$500, which covers the cost of the granite engraving and perpetual upkeep of the monument. The veteran does not have to be a resident of Stickney for their name to be added to the memorial.

If you are interested, please contact Audrey McAdams, Village Clerk, at 708-749-4400.

No Solicitors Allowed

Our local ordinance contains the following: "It shall be unlawful for any peddler to enter upon any private premises when such premises are posted with a sign stating, "No Peddlers Allowed" or "No Solicitations Allowed," or other words to such effect. Residents may obtain such signs from the Village Hall at no cost. This sign shall be posted on or near the main entrance of the residence. You can also add your name and address to our No Solicitations list. This list is distributed to solicitors who have obtained a solicitor permit from the village office. This list tells them that you are on the No Solicitations list and they cannot go to your door.

As of September 15, 2017 Police Chief Dan Babich mandated that at this time there will be no solicitors allowed to solicit in the village without the proper permits. There is a zero tolerance. They will be cited if they do not present the proper permit.

There have been brazen solicitors who have gone house to house in our village without obtaining the proper permit. There is a \$500 fee for this permit and they have to fill out an application and go through a background check.

Do not open your door to solicitors. Get a "No Solicitations Allowed" sign at the village hall. We want to protect you from possibly becoming a victim of a scam or crime.





From the Desk of **Trustee Jeff White**

Budget /Finance/License

Well summer is behind us, I hope it was enjoyable for all of you. We still need to keep the Hurricane and Earthquake victims in our thoughts as they try to recover.

As I mentioned in the spring newsletter, funds were appropriated to replace the police station stairs and doors to be ADA compliant. At the time of this newsletter we are happy to say that this project is complete. It was long overdue. With the guidance of Mayor Jeff Walik, the finance committee and the Board this was accomplished. In the last State administration we were awarded a DCEO grant for \$200,000 for infrastructure. When it was first awarded to us, we received \$50,000 of that money. As we completed our projects the money was to come in \$50,000 increments. Due to the lack of a State Budget those funds were frozen. Now that the State has a budget the grants were not carried over. We were able to retain the \$50,000 that we had already received. The bulk of those funds were used for roofs on the pavilions at Haley Park and Ridgeland Park and some concrete work. We had approximately \$994 that remained of the grant that was steered to the police project.

We issued three new business licenses during these past few months. Two were on Pershing; a new laundromat, and a new day-care center. The other license was for a home heating and air conditioning business.

We have learned that Penske rental located at 39th and Cicero Avenue will be relocating out of our Village. The property is for sale and there is a lot of interest. The main interest is a large gas station chain. A large gas station at that location will bring significant motor fuel tax money to our Village. There has also been interest in the other vacant properties in our business district, the Dollar Store and the old Tabu Lounge.

Our annual audit for the Village is in process. We will be working on the next fiscal year budget much earlier than we have in the past. This will give us the time needed to make adjustments for the necessities and everyday services that we need for our Village in plenty of time before it has to be passed and approved by the Village Board.

I hope you have all noticed the positive direction that our Village is going in. A lot has been accomplished in the few months since the last election. I know that this board from the top to the bottom is committed to making our Community the very best we can be. I will take this time to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season as well!





From the Desk of **Trustee Mary Hrejsa** Parks & Recreation



From the Desk of **Trustee Sam Savopoulos**

Progress in the Village

I'm sure you've noticed that the house on 40th St. and Home Avenue has been taken down. This was something that has been in the works for the past couple of years. It was sighted for blight on several occasions and the village went back and

forth with the owner on this. We will continue working hard to do something about the abandoned, run down houses in town and leaving opportunity for new construction.

Follow up on Rats

We are continuing to work with our residents and businesses on preventing rat harborage. Garbage is one of the biggest causes creating this problem, specifically overflowing garbage cans and garbage bags being put on the ground instead of the village issued covered toter. We are also seeing recycling bags being put on the ground, which should also be put in the covered recycling container.

Residents who are in violation will receive a warning notice of violation by the ordinance officer on the spot. If there is a second violation it will result in a ticket and daily fines.

Flexi-Van Property

The old Flexi-Van property on Pershing Rd. west of Cicero Ave. was recently purchased and the new owners of the property are in negotiations with a few businesses that are looking to occupy that space. A permit was approved to clean up and resurface the parking area. This is a \$1 million project which means the village receives 1.5 percent in permit fees or \$15,000.

On a final note – Skunks

Please refer to the letter from Stickney Township Supervisor Viverito that is adjacent to this page on the policies and procedures for setting wildlife traps. It is important to understand these policies as we continually deal with wildlife in the Village.

As always we will continue to keep you informed of happenings in the Village.

Happy Holidays!



What a wonderful summer we had. Music in the Park was a huge success. We had wonderful bands and some great food. Rain wasn't very kind to us a couple of times. We did have Eddie Korosa's band play at St. Pius X Church to make up for having to cancel our polka nights due to weather.

"Old Tyme" Family Day came back this year and was an enormous success. We had bingo, great bands, and lots of fun for the kids, great food including, of course, Trustee Sam's famous potato pancakes.

The fireworks were the best I've ever seen!

My deepest gratitude goes out to all the supporters and many volunteers that gave their time and energy. Without all of you, none of this would be possible.

All of us in Parks and Recreation would love any suggestions you may have. Also, we welcome any and all volunteers.

Have a wonderful holiday season. Stay safe.

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LOUIS S. VIVERITO Supervisor

Stickney Township Animal Control

Policy and Procedures for setting wildlife traps

- a. Stickney Township Animal Control will set traps when there is an animal nuisance complaint. An animal nuisance complaint is defined as when an animal has destroyed a resident's property.
- b. If a resident simply sees wildlife of any kind passing through their property Stickney Township advises residents to keep their property free from; grubs and food such as, bird seed, and fallen fruit from trees. By keeping your property free from these things, you are removing the attraction for animals.
- c. Before Stickney Township Animal Control will set a trap for a nuisance animal living under a resident's home/ or building we advise residents to do the following before getting in contact with the office:
 - Put crumbled up newspaper in the hole to see if it is an active den. Continue to crumple the newspaper in the hole until it has not moved for two days. When the newspaper has not moved for two days it is time to seal the hole with concrete, because it is not an active den.
 - Sprinkle cayenne pepper and coyote urine around the hole. This deters the animals from coming back.
 - Shine lights and play radio in the day to get the animal to leave.
- d. For any animal living inside a resident's home, the resident is responsible for calling and hiring a wildlife trapper. Stickney Township does not trap any animals living inside residents homes.
- e. Stickney Township, in line with current standards, does not set traps from March through September.
- f. Stickney Township would like to remind our residents that it is illegal to set any trap on their own property without a permit issued from the Department of Natural Resources.
- g. Trapping for nuisance animal complaints begins October 1st; beginning October 1st residents may call (708) 424-9200 Ext: 2187 to assess their property for animal nuisance complaints.





From the Desk of Trustee Mitch Milenkovic

Operation Support Our Troops (OSOT)

Operation Support our Troops was founded in 2003. This has become one of the largest volunteer based military support organizations in the country. As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, they provide comfort and care at home and away to active duty military, families and veterans.

Their mission is to support the morale and well-being of American forces by providing comfort, resources and education to them and their families both while they are deployed in harm's way and after their return. This is accomplished by providing a link between the cit-

izens and military personnel of items that are not readily available to the troops in their deployed locations along with personal letters, cards and notes of support from the community at large.

As has been done in the past, we will be collecting donations for the troops. Donations can be dropped off at the Village hall through November 30th. Please see the list below of the top 12 immediate need items. The top five items are out of stock on the shelves at OSOT and are urgently needed to fill the boxes.

GENERAL DONATION LIST OF ITEMS WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF:

canned fruit canned tuna/tuna packs mouthwash (no glass) nasal spray antacids (rolls of 100 count or less) pain medication (100 count or less) crackers (12 oz. box or less) peanut butter (16 oz. or less, no glass) AA batteries white or black socks (no logos please) shaving cream hand sanitizer

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NATIONAL ANTHEM

Designation – The composition of the words and music known as the Star-Spangled Banner is the national anthem.

CONDUCT DURING PLAYING

When the flag is displayed;

- Individuals in uniform should give the military salute at the first note of the anthem and maintain that position until the last note;
- Members of the Armed Forces and veterans who are present but not in uniform may render the military salute in the manner provided for individuals in uniform; and
- All other persons present should face the flag and <u>stand</u> at attention with their right hand over the heart, and men not in uniform, if applicable, should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over their heart; and **"God Bless America a We will always re**
- When the flag is not displayed, all present should face toward the music and act in the same manner they would if the flag were displayed.

"God Bless America and her Troops We will always remember We will always be proud. We will always be prepared So that we will always be free" - Ronald Reagan



From the Desk of **Trustee Lea Torres**

This is my second newsletter. We are in the process of updating existing procedures. The front stairs are coming along nicely and it is so nice to see such necessary improvements coming along. We had a very successful Old Tyme Stickney Family Day. I want to thank the Suburban Life for its coverage and wonderful pictures of the event. Events like this were successful because of all the volunteers we have. Thank you all for working so hard to make it a success. Good memories to build on for next year.

Our Blight Inspector is doing a fantastic job with following up on residents improvements to their properties. Some are complying right away and some need a little more time. Non-compliance will result in Stickney Local Ordinance tickets being issued for Adjudication. So please comply and keep your properties maintained. Thank you for your support to keep Stickney a great place to live.

I want to remind you that there is an ordinance for **no overnight parking** in the Village. No person other than a resident of the Village of Stickney with a Village vehicle tag can park their vehicle on any Village Street between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. of any day. The signs are posted upon entering the village.

<u>Exceptions</u> are for physicians or operators of emergency vehicles on emergency calls and those persons receiving temporary exemption granted by the police department to allow for overnight guests or short term construction.

Overnight guests <u>MUST</u> register with the police department. You can call the nonemergency number at 708-788-2131 to register your guest.

The holidays are fast approaching and we need to be thankful for all we have and help those who are in need. We will be doing collections for the Veterans. Please consider helping them in their needs. A flyer will be going out about what is needed and the dates.

Our nursing home in town welcomes cards, food and visitors. Please consider them in your holiday planning. A few nice words let them know that people care.

It is imperative that everyone is signed up for the Village's Coded Alert System. This is our way of getting you a message in an emergency. You can enroll by visiting www.villageofstickney.com and click on the Code Red icon at the top of the page. You can also get a form at the Stickney Police station or Village Hall to fill out and we will get you signed up with your home phone and cell phone. If you change your number you must sign up again.

By the time you get this we will have had our Halloween Bash. I am so happy we were able to have fun things for the kids. Thank you again for the volunteers.

Happy Holidays and have a Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas.





From the Desk of Trustee Tim Kapolnek

The year 1967, the world's first heart transplant was performed, strikes by the United States Teaching staffs throughout the country for pay increases, the first Super Bowl was played between the Green Bay Packers and the Kansas City Chiefs, Muhammed Ali was stripped of his boxing championship for refusing to be inducted into the US Army and of course the continued presence of American Troops increased to 475,000 in Vietnam.

The cost of a new house was \$14,250.00, average income per year was \$7,300.00, a new car would cost \$2,750.00, gasoline was .33 cents per gallon and a movie ticket was \$1.25.

Another event happened in 1967; the Village of Stickney Illinois formed its Fire Department. Prior to 1967, Stickney's Fire protection was contracted to the town of Berwyn to provide this service. If an emergency was seen in Stickney, it would be called into the police (there was no 911 in 1967) and they would contact the Berwyn Fire Department which had a long response time due to location. Also, there was a fee that had to be paid to Berwyn for this service and it kept going up every year.

So, in April of 1966 the Village Board of Trustees put up a referendum to authorize a special fire tax to create a Fire Department. Then, on January 17, 1967, the Board of Trustees authorized an ordinance to create the Fire Department in Stickney. This was an all-volunteer Fire Department and 45 residents volunteered to be firefighters. During the next 11 months, these volunteers went through the training needed to be a fire fighter; two new engines were purchased with the first being delivered in October and the second in January of 1968.

On December 1, 1967, then Village of Stickney President George Rench and the Board of Trustees canceled the contract with Berwyn for fire services.

This was 50 years ago!

The Department's first EMT's went through training at La Grange Community Hospital from 1972 through 1974. In 1975 a program was set up at Morton College that was affiliated with MacNeal Hospital.

In late 1977 the building addition to the now Village Hall was completed to house the Fire Dept., Public Works and the Police. The Fire Dept. then moved into their current location at 6433 43rd St. in the year 2002.

On Saturday, December 2, 2017, from 10am to 1pm, the Stickney Fire Department will be hosting an Open House to celebrate their 50th Anniversary. They will be honoring former members of the Department; will show the equipment such as trucks and engines, ambulance and other equipment used in emergencies. They will also show the new air packs that were received due to a Federal Grant, the paramedic program that shows the difference between what can be done by an EMTB and a paramedic in an emergency, plus all the equipment needed to have paramedics in Stickney.

There will also be an "old time" brass fire pole for the kids to slide down and the Division II Safety House that is used to bring to schools to teach our kids fire safety in the home. Cake and coffee will also be served.

Come on out to the Fire House and celebrate with our brave First Responders that put their lives on the line for each of us every day for their 50th anniversary as a Department in Stickney.

THANK YOU STICKNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND CONGRATULATIONS ON 50 YEARS!





From the Desk of **Rich Jaczak** Deputy Police Chief



It has been a time of change and excitement within the Stickney Police Department! For those who don't know me, I am Rich Jaczak. I have been with the Stickney Police since 2002 and have served as Deputy Chief since 2013. There have been many changes within the police department I'd like to tell you about.

Several new officers have joined the department. Officers William Ramski, Dave DeLeshe, John Flanagan and Anthony Rocha have all completed their field training programs and are excelling on the street. They were hired to replace several officers who left in the spring, including Sergeant Gary Wiseman who was hired as the Chief of Police in Forest View. Stickney Police Chief Daniel Babich has spent significant time meeting with and getting to know all members of the Stickney Police Department. Many programs have been created or reactivated including a traffic enforcement unit and bicycle unit.

There have also been physical changes to the Department. The main entrance has been deteriorating for years and is currently under construction. Mayor Walik and the Village Board made it a priority to repair the front of our facility and the project should be complete mid-fall. A cargo container was purchased to store bulk items including bicycles, tires and other items which had previously been stored in the sally port. The next project will be improving the lock-up area. Additional TASERS have been purchased as well as optics for our rifles.

The Village has a difficult decision looming relating to our 9-1-1 Center. A law was enacted which requires 9-1-1 Centers which serve a residential population of less than 25,000 to consolidate with other agencies and potentially close. The Stickney Police Department has been vocal opposing this law and applied for a waiver, which was granted. However, the waiver period will expire in the near future and a plan must be in place and submitted to the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator. Numerous options were explored and will be presented to the Village Board this fall.

Thank you for allowing me to update you on changes within the Stickney Police Department. Please don't hesitate to stop in and visit us! Also, winter will be here soon. Please take the time to check on neighbors and loved ones.



From the Desk of **Andrea Acosta** Deputy Fire Chief



My name is Andrea Acosta and I am a Deputy Chief and paramedic at the Stickney Fire Department. I have been with the Stickney Fire Department for 19 years. I started my career at the Stickney Fire Department as a brand new EMT-B with very little experience. Through the excellent support and top-notch training at the Stickney Fire Department, I have been able to further my education and training in the fire service. I am also the EMS coordinator for the department who oversees the training and operations of the Stickney Fire Department Emergency Medical Services.

This is an exciting time at the Stickney Fire Department. Mayor Jeff Walik, the Board of Trustees, and the Stickney Fire Department are committed to offering optimal services to the Village of Stickney community members. It is in pursuit of this commitment to the highest standards that the Stickney Fire Department will be upgrading our current Basic Life Support emergency medical service response to an Advanced Life Paramedic Support emergency medical service response. This change in services will provide our community members with the highest level of emergency care available. This upgrade in emergency care will also bring the Village of Stickney in line with all the neighboring communities in terms of level

of emergency medical services provided.

This exciting and progressive change means that the Stickney Fire Department will be hiring additional paramedic personnel and purchasing new advanced care equipment. This will allow us to provide the very best care to our community members. The Stickney Fire Department will be making this transition in the next 18 to 24 months.

This year the Stickney Fire Department will also be celebrating our 50th Anniversary! Come celebrate with us on Saturday December 2, 2017 from 10 AM to 1 PM at the Stickney Fire Department as we showcase our department and honor our past alumni members. We will be hosting station tours, offering information on our services, and highlighting the changes that will occur with our transition to an Advanced Life Support Paramedic Service.

As the seasons change and the weather becomes cooler, the Stickney Fire Department would like to remind Village of Stickney community members to be mindful of concerns regarding home heating systems and devices. Have furnace units properly serviced and cleaned to reduce the likelihood of malfunction. Change your furnace

filters regularly to avoid build up. Keep the area around your furnace clean and clear. Check your carbon monoxide detectors to ensure that the detectors are working properly prior to turning on your furnace. Ensure that smoke alarms, heat detectors, and fire alarms systems are in working order. When using portable heaters, use models that have a safety tip feature, these units will shut off if tipped over. Keep portable heaters out of high traffic areas where children or pets can bump into them. Do not plug portable heaters into power strips or extension cords. This can contribute to the unit overheating. Keep portable heaters away from water sources. Turn off and unplug portable heater units when not in use. Lastly, follow the manufacturer's recommendations regarding keeping your portable heater a safe distance from walls, furniture, and household items.

The Stickney Fire Department is grateful for the continued support of the Village of Stickney community members. Be assured that whenever our alarm bell rings, the Stickney Fire Department will be ready to serve our community with pride and professionalism for the fire, medical emergency, or whenever help is needed.



From the Desk of Village Assistant Supervisor Sam Alonzo

FALL LEAF REMOVAL

The Village's fall leaf pick-up program started October 19th and will go through December 1st weather permitting. Leaves will be collected every week on your regular street sweeping day.

Street cleaning parking restrictions will be enforced through December 1st.

We ask your cooperation in placing the leaves at the proper location;

- Leaves should be raked into the street
- <u>Do not put leaves on the street any earlier than the night before and no later than 6:00am the day of your</u> <u>scheduled pick up day.</u>
- •Please pile your leaves evenly, approximately one foot from the curb or edge of pavement.
- •Do not rake leaves into one large pile
- •This collection program is for leaves only. All leaves must be free of brush, branches, grass clippings and other debris.
- •Keep catch basins clear of raked leaves. Clogged basins may cause street flooding.

There will be no leaf pick up on Friday, November 10th due to the Veteran's day holiday and also November 23rd and 24th due to the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Pick up will resume the following week.

The Village's yard waste collection program is separate from the traditional leaf collection in the fall.

YARD WASTE PICKUP

Yard waste will continue to be picked up during the winter months. All yard waste containers must be no bigger than a rigid 35 gallon container with handles, or paper yard waste bags.

SNOW REMOVAL - WHAT HAPPENS WHEN IT SNOWS?

- 1) First, main streets and main intersections are plowed and salted. This would include Ridgeland, Oak Park, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, and 45th, streets.
- 2) Next all North and South streets and 40th place will be cleared
- 3) Public facilities which will include the parking area for businesses along Pershing Rd.
- 4) Parks and Bus stops
- 5) We do not do any snow removal on Pershing Rd. because it's a state route.

When snowfall measures two inches or more you must follow the snow removal signs posted at the beginning and towards the end of your block.

Public Works cannot be called to clear private property or driveways, and we are not responsible for rollover snow on driveway or sidewalks from snowplowing.

Please be courteous to your neighbors and motorists; DO NOT SHOVEL SNOW BACK INTO THE STREETS.

STREET CLEANING

Street cleaning parking restrictions are in place from April 1 to December 1st. If weather and time permits we will still try to clean streets after December 1st, however there will be no tickets issued.

HOLIDAYS FOR PUBLIC WORKS;

Friday, November 10, 2017 Thursday, November 23, 2017 Friday, November 24, 2017 Friday, December 22, 2017 (half day) Monday, December 25, 2017 Friday, December 29, 2017 (half day) Monday, January 15, 2018 Monday, February 19, 2018 Veteran's Day Thanksgiving Day Day after Thanksgiving Christmas Eve Christmas Day New Year's Eve Martin Luther King Jr. President's Day



• Garbage and Recycle pick up days that fall on a holiday observed by the Public Works Department will be delayed until the next day on which Public Works is operating.



From the Desk of **Village Ordinance Control Officer Arturo Terrazas**

EXCESS/OVERFLOWING GARBAGE AND RECYCLING:

Besides causing all sorts of health and environmental issues, overflowing garbage is a public nuisance and eye sore. Everyone wants to live and visit places that are fresh, clean and healthy.

The Village of Stickney has "no side garbage, closed lid procedure". Closed lid means your garbage bin must be shut completely. So if your bin is overflowing and you have extra garbage left at the side of your bin you are at risk of receiving a ticket. If you have too much garbage and your can is overflowing then you could be required to purchase a second garbage can. This applies to recycle cans as well.

Starting immediately, if our Public Works crews find any bin where the lid is not fully closed and/or has excess waste at the side of the can, on the ground, the following procedure will take place:

• Public works will contact me to inspect. A "warning notice of violation" alert sticker will be left on your front door and your address will be put on a "watch list". A second repeat of the same violation will result in a ticket and fine of \$500.00. Only one warning notice will be given, after that there will be tickets issued each time of violation.

FALL/WINTER CLEANING:

Inspections for upkeep and maintenance of your property will continue throughout the winter months weather permitting. Make sure you clean up any accumulation of junk, debris or litter on private property. Do not store wood or lumber on the ground it must be kept stored at least 8" off the ground. Be sure to keep the area clean around your garbage and recycling cans.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS AND REMOVAL OF CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS:

If you are planning on remodeling the interior or exterior of your home or business make sure you apply for proper permits. Construction material or waste should be disposed of properly and should NOT be put out for Public Works to take. It is the responsibility of the contractor or homeowner to have any construction materials removed. Any construction materials that are put out for Public Works to pick up will result in a ticket and fine. Any properties under construction of any kind are responsible for maintaining area completely clean of garbage and debris at all times. Failure to do so will result in a ticket being issued and daily fines along with an adjudication court date.

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS:

All cats and dogs must be registered in town and should have current vaccinations. Current village and vaccination tags must be visible at all times.

DOG PARK HOURS:

The Jason Bruscato Dog Park, located at Ridgeland Avenue and 43rd Street will be open over the winter weather permitting. Make sure you have your permit on you while using the park.



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VILLAGE HOLIDAYS

Just a reminder that Village Hall will be closed on:

Veteran's Day Thanksgiving Day Day after Thanksgiving Friday, November 10 Thursday, November 23 Friday, November 24 Christmas Eve Christmas Day Martin Luther King Jr. Day President's Day Friday, December 22 Monday, December 25 Monday, January 15, 2018 Monday, February 19, 2018



SENIOR CHRISTMAS PARTY & CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY Date: Saturday, December 9 Watch for more details!

VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM

You are invited to partake in the Veteran's Day recognition event to be held at the Veteran's Memorial Monument site located at 39th and Ridgeland (Rain or Shine). It will be held on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. Refreshments to be served at the American Legion located at 6431 Pershing Road immediately after the ceremony.

