



West Dundee Village Newsletter

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2015 STATE OF THE VILLAGE REPORT

A Message from Village President Christopher Nelson

As the elected officers of the community, the Village Board and I are committed to providing residents and business-owners with an honest appraisal of how we believe the community is faring. What follows is an expression of that commitment, in the form of the first State of the Village report to be officially issued for the Village of West Dundee.

All told, the state of the Village is strong and, in my estimation, looking even stronger for 2015.



VILLAGE BOARD GOALS -

For the 2014 calendar year, the West Dundee Village Board established its first-ever list of defined goals for the year. A total of 12 actions were included on that list; The Village completed ten of the established goals and made substantial progress on the remaining two. For a thorough update on how the organization performed on each individual goal, please see the [2014 Goals Final Status Report at wdundee.org](http://wdundee.org). The Village Board has continued its annual goal-setting practice and has established a new set of goals for 2015, as included within this Newsletter.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT -

The Village has endured substantial and sustained impacts to its local, retail-based economy over the past decade, due in large measure to overall economic conditions combined with dramatically increased competition from neighboring communities. To mitigate these impacts, the Village of West Dundee has endeavored this past year to undertake careful study of various aspects of the local and regional economy with an eye toward developing thoughtful and articulate plans that we can act upon to help strengthen the West Dundee bottom line. Some recent activities include:

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The **Village Newsletter** is published twice annually as a public information service for Village residents and businesses.

More frequent communication is provided to email subscribers of the Village Newslist (*sign up at wdundee.org*) and also via [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

VILLAGE BOARD

West Dundee is governed by a Village President & Board of Trustees, elected at-large.

The Village Manager is responsible for the administration of Village activities and services.

Village President Christopher Nelson

Village Board of Trustees Patrick Hanley
Michelle Kembitzky
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Village Manager Joseph Cavallaro

The **Village Board meets** on the **1st and 3rd Mondays** of each month at **7:30 pm** at **Village Hall** unless otherwise noted. Meeting agendas are posted at wdundee.org. The public is invited to attend and citizen participation is encouraged.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Village Hall: Monday - Friday
102 S. Second Street 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Public Safety Center #1: Monday - Friday
555 S. Eighth Street (Rt. 31) 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Public Safety Center #2: Monday - Friday
100 Carrington Drive 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Public Works: Monday - Friday
900 Angle Tarn 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Police/Fire Emergency 911
Non-Emergency Dispatch 847-428-8784
Village Hall 847-551-3800
Police Administration (PSC 1) 847-551-3810
Public Works 847-551-3815
Fire Administration, Community
Development & Building (PSC 2) 847-551-3805



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

- 24 VFW Memorial Day Parade 2:00 pm
- 25 Memorial Day - *Village Offices Closed*
- 29-31 Village-wide Garage Sale *
- 30 Paper Shredding - East Dundee* 12-3 pm
(*see page 14)

JUNE

- 1 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 15 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 16 ECC Concert at Grafelman Park ** 7:00 pm
- 20 Earth Day, Every Day Gardening 9am-Noon
- 26 NKCC Rise & Shine Networking 8:30 am

JULY

- 3/4 Independence Day - *Village Offices Closed*
- 6 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 18 NKCC Kane Fest - OTTO, C'ville 11am-6pm
- 20 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 pm

AUGUST

- 3 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 17 Regular Board Meeting 7:30 pm
- 22 Earth Day, Every Day Gardening 9am-Noon

** See page 15 for Dundee Township Park District
Summer Concerts in the Park dates & details!

**REFUSE COLLECTION WILL BE
MOVED TO SATURDAY**
FOLLOWING THESE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS:
Memorial Day (collection on Sat, May 30)
Labor Day (collection on Sat, Sept 6)

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WITH THE
VILLAGE
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Economic Development Plan (EDP): The Village worked to develop its first Economic Development Plan, designed to provide a description of the Village's vision for the four (4) primary sectors of the community and to define the tools we can and will use to achieve that vision. The EDP also features the key element of the West Dundee economic development effort: the willingness to partner with entities both public and private to promote positive economic activities within the community.

Downtown Plan: Commissioned by the Board, the Downtown Plan utilized the skills of the Hitchcock Group, known widely for their extensive work in communities such as Naperville and Highland Park. The resulting plan is the culmination of a wide-ranging analysis that includes input from residents, business-owners, and other units of local government. The plan has been officially adopted and made part of the EDP. The Board and staff will work to advance the recommendations cited in the study.



Retail Market Study: As mentioned previously, the Village faces significant competition when attempting to attract new businesses. To help our small organization compete a bit better, the Village reached out to a broker/consultant to help our team analyze which businesses might be best positioned to come to West Dundee. This type of objective, data-driven analysis has and will allow us to better use our finite resources by targeting those businesses that are most likely to locate in a market such as ours. The information is also helpful once developer interest is established, saving the prospective developer time and money when attempting to analyze the market dynamics of the northern Kane County economy.

Housing Study: The Village worked the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) to assist in evaluating the housing needs for the community. The resulting plan, received in 2014 and now a part of the Village's EDP, is an important planning tool that will assist the Village in smartly mapping its future residential development. Such an endeavor was important, given the important role that residential density plays in economic development analysis.



Spring Hill Mall: The Village has continued its discussions with Rouse Properties regarding the future of the mall. Having acquired Spring Hill Mall in 2011, Rouse is an able and willing partner in the plan to reinvigorate the mall. Done correctly, such a project will have a positive and sustained impact not only on the mall itself, but also on the surrounding properties—including the Spring Hill Gateway and the nearby restaurant parcels. The basic framework of Rouse's proposed reinvestment has been presented to the Village.

For more information regarding each of the above plans, studies and projects, please visit the [Community Development page](http://www.wdundee.org/CommunityDevelopment) of [wdundee.org](http://www.wdundee.org).

New Community Development Director: The Village of West Dundee has a new Community Development Director - Mr. Timothy Scott. Mr. Scott comes to West Dundee from the Village of Hinsdale, where he served for 10 years, most recently as Director of Economic Development and Urban Design. Mr. Scott will begin his employment with the Village the second week of June.

FINANCE -

The Village of West Dundee has long held a fiscally conservative approach, especially in light of the lessening of sales tax revenues derived since 2005. Some of the key recent activities include:

Balanced Budget Approved: The Village Board adopted balanced budgets for Fiscal Year 2014/15 and Fiscal Year 2015/16. The 2015/16 Budget, which went into effect on May 1, can be viewed online at the [Budgets & Reports page](http://www.wdundee.org/Budgets&Reports) of [wdundee.org](http://www.wdundee.org). The Village has also begun posting monthly revenue and expense reports online.

Revised Budget Summary: Developed to make the Village budget easier to understand, West Dundee has released a graphical overview of the 2015/16 budget and some of its key changes, available herein.

Bond Rating: The Village maintains a strong bond rating of Aa2.

GFOA Award: For the 20th straight year, the Village of West Dundee received the Certification of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association.

Retirement of Debt: The Village was successful in retiring its debt obligations for the First American Bank note almost one full year early.

Strong Fund Balance: The Village maintains a reserve of nearly \$2 million, or 25% of its operating budget. This percentage reserve is consistent with GFOA recommended guidelines for municipal reserves.

Auditor Report: The Village of West Dundee enacted its annual audit this year, with the report confirming that the Village's financial status and systems are solid and comport with Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) guidelines.

PUBLIC SAFETY -

The Village of West Dundee operates two fire stations and one police station, serving a residential population of 7,300 and a daytime population of in excess of 12,000. The professional police and fire staffing levels have remained static over the past several years.



Consolidation Study: The Village made significant progress in collaborating with neighboring fire departments, resulting in several areas of functional consolidation within the fire services. For example, the Village now shares a mechanic, a training officer, and a battalion chief with neighboring departments. This spring, the results of a consolidation study will be available, and at that time the participating departments will confer on subsequent steps.

SCBA Upgrade: The replacement of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBAs) was budgeted and achieved during FY14/15. The previous SCBA equipment were at the end of their service life and were significantly behind current standards for this critical piece of firefighter safety equipment. The new SCBAs have an expected service life of 15 years.

New Squad Cars: As squad cars are essential to policing efforts, the Village continued its program of replacing its patrol cars (some of which had more than 100,000 miles on them) with new vehicles that feature the latest safety equipment, more visible emergency lighting, and all-wheel drive to assist during use in inclement weather.

PUBLIC WORKS -

The Public Works team is divided into 3 divisions: Streets & Bridges, Buildings & Grounds, and Water. The team is responsible for snow plowing, fall leaf collection, street light maintenance, street sweeping, storm sewer system, downtown business district and Riverwalk maintenance, forestry programs, and the Village water system, among other services.

New Public Works Director: The Village of West Dundee has a new Director of Public Works - Mr. Eric Babcock, who was previously the Assistant Public Works Director for Lake in the Hills. Mr. Babcock began his employment with the Village of West Dundee the first week of March.

Salt and Snow Operations: Due to both a price increase and limited availability of road salt nationwide, the Village was compelled to adjust its salt and snow operations for the 2014-2015 snow season. The result was limiting salting operations to high traffic streets, intersections, curves and hills in order to stretch the salt resources available to the community. The program focused more on pre-treatment combined with selective salt-spreading in order to provide safe roadways to the community in a cost-effective manner, and ensuring salt availability through the entire season. The Village also continues its collaborative efforts with both IDOT and Dundee Township to aid in improving the roadway conditions during snow events on both IL Routes 31 & 72 and on Township roads.

Tree Replacements Cooperative: The Village worked with three West Dundee HOAs to split the cost of replacement of over 230 parkway trees, most of which were lost to the Emerald Ash Borer. This novel approach helped to amplify the funding the Village had set aside for such replacements, resulting in faster and more numerous re-plantings.



Well #6 Improvements: The Village undertook a substantial upgrade at its treatment plant to improve the palatability of the water provided from Well #6, which serves the western portion of the community.

Water Service Upgrades and Impacts: In 2014, the Village encountered the loss of 3 of its 4 water softeners at the Angle Tarn Water Treatment Plant. The softeners serve to remove certain elements such as barium and radium, which occur naturally in the deep water aquifers that the Village utilizes as source water for the community. This resulted in a portion of Village water customers receiving treated, but unsoftened water for a period of 72 days. The Village initiated notification of this situation to ensure the community's awareness of the potential health concerns. The softeners were back online in early February and the levels of barium once again are well below the IEPA standards. The 2014 annual water quality report for the community is included herein.

Road Projects: The Village of West Dundee worked cooperatively with Village of Carpentersville to resurface Binnie Road from Randall Road to just west of the entrance to Randall Oaks Golf Club and Banquets.

The Village also completed its biannual streets and infrastructure program, expending over \$800,000 to maintain the Village's streets. Work was completed in several areas. The 2014 program included resurfacing of Fifth Street from South Street to Edwards Avenue, and Kittridge Drive from Tartans Drive to Sleepy Hollow Road. Patching work was completed on Fairhills Drive from Angle Tarn to Boncosky Road, as well as additional spot patching throughout the community including Seventh Street, Ryan Lane, Edwards Avenue, Knowlton Drive, Chadwick Lane, Wessex Drive and Carrington Drive.

Significant patching was completed on Huntley Road in an effort to improve road conditions to get us to the 2016 calendar year, at which time Huntley Road is scheduled to be widened and resurfaced through an intergovernmental grant with both the Federal and State governments, and in conjunction with the Village of Carpentersville. West Dundee is the lead agency for this project.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -

The Village of West Dundee strives to provide its citizens with information and opportunities for interaction, and does so via a variety of communications channels.

West Dundee Ambassadors Program: The Village launched the West Dundee Ambassadors program in 2014, the intent of which is to help harness the volunteer spirit endemic to the community. Participants in the Ambassadors Program will have the opportunity to contribute to the West Dundee in the ways that best suit their skills and interests.



One of the first new volunteer programs was the 10-for-10 Shop Local Program, designed to connect residents with local business owners. Through this program, residents are asked to visit highlighted West Dundee businesses, spend \$10 and then tell 10 friends about their experience. If you have not already, please [join the Village Newslist](#) to receive emails about these events and opportunities.

Social Media: The Village has worked to communicate with residents using a variety of channels, including [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). We strive to provide information relevant to the community on a near-daily basis.

Newsletter: The Village continues to publish a newsletter electronically and, is committed to reestablishing a printed newsletter twice per year based on the interest expressed by residents. The newsletter is an excellent medium for advancing long-form information on Village activities and programs.

Email Blast - Village Newslist: The Village Newslist continues to be the primary and preferred tool utilized by the Village to provide timely updates and information to the community. We encourage all West Dundee residents and business owners to subscribe by submitting your email address at the Village website, wdundee.org.

Village Website: The Village continues to publish news, events, meeting minutes and agendas, service information, reports and forms, as well as other resources to support the community, online at wdundee.org. This format allows for long-term and easy accessibility of core municipal information.

Sister Cities: The Village maintains its sister cities relationship with Dundee, Scotland, West Dundee's namesake and home to the fifth largest economy in the United Kingdom. The Village will also be looking to establish a relationship with another international community in 2015.

SPECIAL EVENTS -

Despite the relatively small size of the organization, the Village of West Dundee either directly coordinates or strongly supports several community events. Such events serve a variety of purposes, from recognizing veterans in our area, to providing all-ages activities, and increasing foot-traffic to the community's downtown area. These events include:

- Heritage Fest
- Dickens in Dundee
- Concerts in the Park
- Memorial Day Parade
- Halloween Party
- St. Patrick's Day Parade and Events



West Dundee Halloween Party 2014

Please don't hesitate to contact me, your Village Trustees or the Village staff should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Christopher Nelson
Village President

MUNICIPAL COMPARISON OF TAXES & FEES

As the Village has provided in the past, please find an updated municipal survey of the actual costs passed along to residents and property owners in the Village of West Dundee as compared to our neighboring communities.

We are pleased to note that West Dundee continues to offer one of the lowest direct costs to our residents of all of the area municipalities. For the Village of West Dundee, the \$1,490 per household cost per year pays for all the municipal services that residents receive, including but not limited to refuse collection, snow removal, fall leaf collection, Police, Fire and EMS.

HOUSEHOLD ASSUMPTIONS

Home EAV	\$75,833
Home Market Value	\$227,500
Annual Utility Expenditure	\$2,500
Cars	2
Bags of Refuse per Week	2

Rank	Community	Total Costs (All Fees & Taxes)	=	Property Taxes	+	Refuse/Recycling Fees	+	Vehicle Sticker Fees	+	Utility Taxes
1		\$2,437	=	\$2,234	+	\$72	+	\$0	+	\$132
2		\$2,095	=	\$1,761	+	\$201	+	\$0	+	\$133
3		\$1,713	=	\$1,292	+	\$330	+	\$0	+	\$92
4		\$1,510	=	\$1,377	+	\$0	+	\$0	+	\$133
5		\$1,490	=	\$1,365	+	\$0	+	\$0	+	\$125
6		\$1,439	=	\$1,029	+	\$247	+	\$30	+	\$133

We continue to believe and support that the Village of West Dundee provides better municipal services at a lower cost than most, as a community by community comparison, when taking into consideration all of the actual costs.

2015 VILLAGE BOARD GOALS

- Goal #1:** Advance the analysis of the proposal for Fire Department consolidation between West Dundee, Carpentersville and the East Dundee Fire Protection District. Continue to evaluate ways to achieve functional consolidation through the sharing of services and equipment in an effort to reduce capital purchases and maintenance costs.
- Goal #2:** Complete and formalize the adoption of the Downtown Improvement/Redevelopment Plan. Devise strategy to execute the plan's recommendations and findings, as well as prioritizing and budgeting for implementation of the plan.
- Goal #3:** Adopt the Village's first formal Economic Development Plan. Work toward both the implementation of the EDP, and the review and evaluation of procedures and programs related to community and economic development, in conjunction with the new Community Development Director.
- Goal #4:** Continue discussions with Rouse, owners of Spring Hill Mall, in service of the development of a public-private partnership aimed at reinventing the site as a retail, entertainment, dining, and office destination.
- Goal #5:** Encourage continued community involvement through the use of the West Dundee Ambassadors program. Create ad hoc committees to assist the Village in obtaining public input and participation.
- Goal #6:** Continue to work to complete the annexation agreement for the area commonly known as the Galvin Property, located on Randall Road, from Rt. 72 to Binnie Road. Pursue discussion on the annexation of the NW and SW corners of Rt. 72 and Randall Road.
- Goal #7:** Review and evaluate village-wide utility systems, including water and sewer. Under the new Public Works Director, establish an aggressive capital and preventative maintenance program regarding critical infrastructure needs and projects, including an updated 5-year capital maintenance program.
- Goal #8:** Build on community outreach programs in the schools, businesses and neighborhoods, especially in light of recent national and local events that have strained relations and trust between Police Departments and the communities they serve.
- Goal #9:** Continue to improve upon communication with West Dundee residents and business owners through social media, Village Newslist email subscription, the Village website and printed Newsletters. Reestablish a twice -annual printed Newsletter to both the business community and residents.
- Goal #10:** Complete the update of the municipal finance software at Village Hall, which will allow for better data analysis and communication of financial information to both the Board and community.

WATER/SEWER RATE INCREASE - *Effective May 1, 2015*

In conjunction with the passage of the Village's Fiscal Year 2015-16 budget, the Village's water and sewer rates were increased as follows. These increases have gone into effect beginning with the first billing cycle after May 1, 2015.

- The bi-monthly distribution fee of \$24.00 was increased to \$24.50.
- The usage charges were increased by 2%.

A [water and sewer rate sheet](#) is available at the Village's website to illustrate the effects of this rate change to an individual bill based on the amount of water used.

Over 65% of Sewer and Water Fund expenditures are attributed to electricity, water treatment salt, wastewater treatment charges and debt service. The Village has no control over these costs, which continue to increase, and are in direct correlation to water production and wastewater treatment.

The Village Board and administration are always hesitant to increase water and sewer rates. However, attention to ongoing capital maintenance needs related to the pumps, wells and lift stations are essential to maintaining reliable water and sewer systems for the community.



FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET

In April of this year, the Village Board approved the operating budget for the 2015/16 fiscal year. The budget took effect on May 1st. A copy of the FY 2015/16 budget is available on the [Budgets & Reports page](#) of wdundee.org.

The budget is one of the primary expressions of Board policy. In it, the Board worked to hold the line on the organization's overall expenses while keeping service levels high. Its primary focus is to provide effective and efficient use of the public resources and minimizing operational costs.

The FY 2015/16 budget projects an increase in General Fund expenditures of only \$164,000 or 1.75%. Of this increase, \$112,000 or 68%, is directly attributed to State mandated increases in Police and Fire Pension contribution amounts, which are funded through property taxes. As a direct result, this year's budget projects an increase in the property tax levy. Based on the nature of the Village as a service organization, personnel costs account for 72% of the municipal operating budget. The Village staff remains very lean, with a number of once full-time positions transitioned in recent years into part-time job sharing opportunities in order to minimize costs.

To mitigate the burden on residential taxpayers while maintaining high service levels, the Village has continued to explore ways to minimize operational costs while still attempting to fulfill the increased maintenance, operations and service obligations of the Village.

The Board also continues its efforts to increase revenues through renewed focus on diverse economic development throughout the community, the benefits of which will be realized over an extended time frame.

One thing that the Village will be monitoring closely is Governor Rauner's indication that substantial changes in Local Government Distributive Funds may occur prior to July 1. Any substantial changes in the State formula would likely result in the need to revisit the recently approved budget for the Village to account for the loss of these revenues (currently projected to be \$350,000), and to ensure that Village expenditures do not exceed revenues.

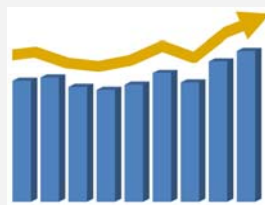
All told, the Village's financial position is sound, with solid cash reserves, adequately funded public safety pensions, and a financial audit that recently received a strong endorsement from auditors and a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 20th straight year.

The Board encourages you to contact us or the Village Manager at 847-551-3800 should you have any questions or concerns regarding the municipal budget.

BUDGET AT-A-GLANCE

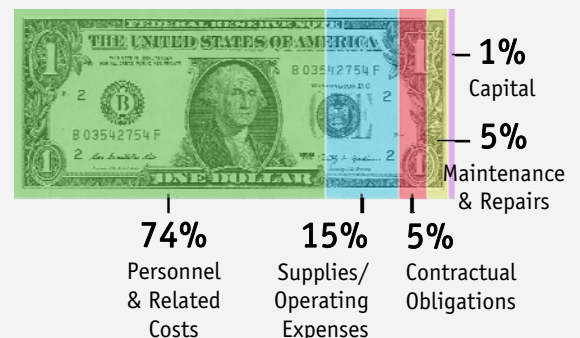
HOW IS THE MONEY DERIVED?

<i>Revenue Source</i>	<i>Amount</i>
Property Tax	\$3,629,537
Sales Tax	\$1,710,000
Interfund Transfers	\$ 780,000
State Revenues	\$ 975,300
Utility Fees	\$ 520,000
Hotel/Motel Tax	\$ 285,000
Food & Beverage Tax	\$ 300,000
Gasoline Tax	\$ 170,000
Other	\$1,124,260
Total Revenues FY15/16	\$9,494,097



Total General Fund Operating Budget has increased only 13.7% since FYE 2008, or an average of 1.5% per year.

HOW IS THE MONEY SPENT?



41%

Sales Tax Reduction in West Dundee since 2008 for state, county, and village.

32%

Property Tax Loss, in terms of EAV, for West Dundee since 2008.

HYDRANT FLUSHING SCHEDULE

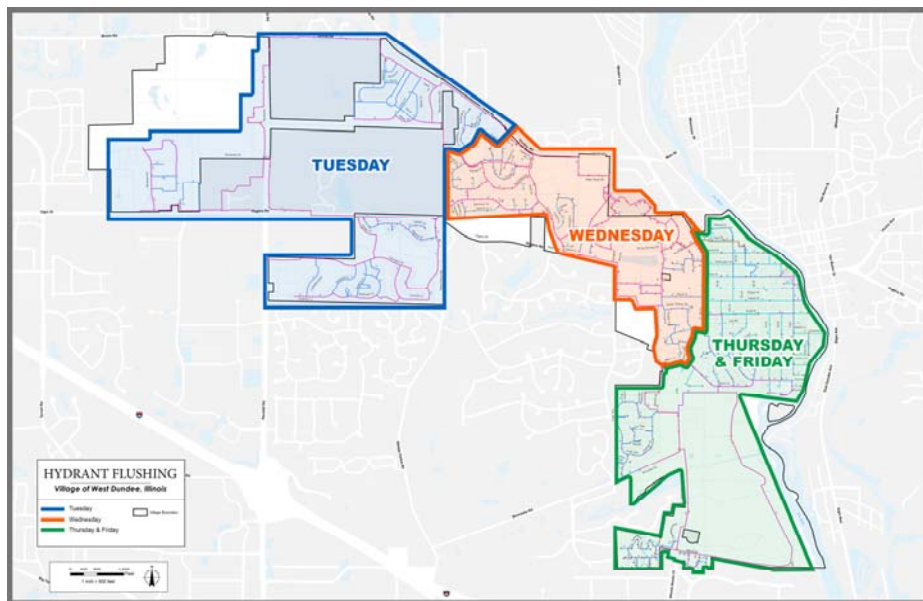
Beginning Tuesday, May 26 through Friday, May 29, the Public Works Department will be conducting Village-wide hydrant flushing.

The flushing procedure purposely displaces sedimentation in the water main pipes so that it can be removed, which improves the quality of the water you receive once completed. As the flushing is in progress however, the water can become cloudy with the potential to cause staining. Because of that, **we strongly recommend that residents avoid doing laundry, using the dishwasher, showering or engaging in any activities requiring prolonged use of water when flushing is underway in or near your neighborhood.** If you notice any discoloration in your water after flushing is complete in your area, simply run your tap for a few minutes to clear up any remaining mineral deposits from your lines.

The Public Works Department does not plan to conduct flushing any later than 5:00 PM each day, and anticipates all flushing activities will be complete by 5:00 PM on Friday, May 29. Notification signs will be placed on barricades to be staged in the immediate area of flushing at least one day prior to any actual flushing taking place.

We apologize for any inconvenience the hydrant flushing may cause, and appreciate your patience.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Department of Public Works at 847-551-3815 between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday-Friday, or via email at publicworks@wdundee.org.



2015/16 Budget
(General Fund)

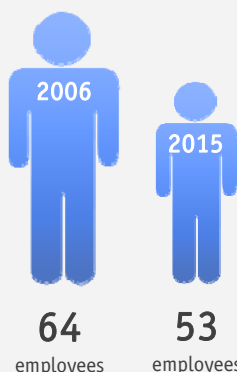
\$8,939,000

Excludes \$550,000
Capital Funding

Current
Reserves

\$2,030,000

Government Finance Officers Assoc.
(GFOA) recommends a reserve balance
of 25% of annual operating budget.



Total Employees have been reduced by nearly 20%. Village employees are committed to doing more with less.

TOP BUDGETARY CHANGES

Item	\$ Change	% Change	Notes
Sales Tax Revenue	- \$65,000	- 3.7%	
Police Pension	+ \$52,057	+ 11.1%	State mandated changes to actuarial tables.
Fire Pensions	+ \$61,472	+ 24.2%	State mandated changes to actuarial tables.

TOP SERVICE COSTS

Item	Amount	% Change	Notes
Police Services	\$3,362,659	- 2.7%	Decrease in overall personnel costs.
Fire Services	\$2,183,087	+ 5.3%	Increased pension and personnel costs.
Streets Maintenance	\$823,200	0%	Including snow removal.
Trash Collection	\$574,000	0%	Paid thru General Fund, not by homeowner.

2014 WATER QUALITY REPORT

WEST DUNDEE - IL0890950

Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2014

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the WEST DUNDEE water system to provide safe drinking water. The source of drinking water used by WEST DUNDEE is Ground Water.

For more information regarding this report contact:
Patrick Doyle, Water Superintendent; Phone 847-586-5577

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúscalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

A copy of this report, as well as the "Source Water Assessment" are available at:

Village Hall, 102 South Second Street
Public Works Facility, 900 Angle Tarn
online at www.wdundee.org/?page=reports

Opportunities for public participation in decisions that may affect the quality of the water may arise at any regularly scheduled Village Board Meeting on the first and third Mondays of every month. Meeting agendas are available online at www.wdundee.org/?page=meetings.

Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the USEPA and Illinois EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Source Water Information

Source Water Name	Type of Water	Report Status	Location
Well 1 (20113)	GW	Active	Dunning Ave at Second Street
Well 5 (01067)	GW	Active	NW Corner of WTP Site (Public Works Complex)
Well 6 (01611)	GW	Active	2500 Ft S of Binnie Rd and Randall

Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by Village Hall or call our Water Superintendent at Department of Public Works **847-551-3815**. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>.

Based on information obtained in a Well Site Survey published in January 1990 by the Illinois EPA, twenty-five potential sources or possible problem sites were identified within the survey area of West Dundee's wells. Furthermore, information provided by the Leaking Underground Storage Tank and Remedial Project Management Sections of the Illinois EPA indicated several additional sites with ongoing remediation which may be of concern. The Illinois EPA has determined that West Dundee's Wells #1 and #5 source water are not susceptible to contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including; monitoring conducted at the wells;

Water Quality Test Results

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.	mg/l: milligrams per liter.
Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.	pCi/L: picocuries per liter.
ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.	µg: micrograms.
	N/A: not applicable.

Lead & Copper

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Definitions:

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

2014 Regulated Contaminants

Lead & Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	Triennial: July-August 2012	1.3	1.3	0.135	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	Triennial: July-August 2012	0	15	9.29	1	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

IEPA requires monitoring of certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	10-7-13	3.5	0.4-3.5	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) *	2014	47	45.3-47.3	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)*	Triennial 2014	58	53.88-58.2	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water chlorination.

Not all sample results may have been used for calculating the Highest Level Detected because some results may be part of an evaluation to determine where compliance sampling should occur in the future.

Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	2014	7	0.16-16	2	2	ppm	Y *	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2014	0.918	0.373-0.918	4	4	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Iron	2014	0.074	0-0.074		1.0	ppm	N	Iron is not currently regulated by the ZSEPA, however, the state regulates; Erosion of natural deposits.
Manganese	2014	<1.0	<1.0	150	150	ppb	N	Manganese is not currently regulated by the USEPA, however, the state regulates; Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium	2014	150	19-150			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits: Used in water softener regeneration.
Zinc	2014	0.013	0-0.013	5	5	ppm	N	Zinc is not currently regulated by the USEPA, however, the state regulates; Naturally occurring; discharge from metal.

Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Radium 226	Well 1&5: 4-23-14 Well 6: 7-21-14	1.20 .330	1.20 .330	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Radium 228	Well 1&5: 4-23-14 Well 6: 7-21-14	.616 .302	.616 .302	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium	Well 1&5: 4-23-14 Well 6: 7-21-14	1.54 1.22	1.54 1.22	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

Violations Summary Table

Barium *			
Some people who drink water containing barium in excess of the MCL over many years could experience an increase in their blood pressure.			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
MCL, SINGLE SAMPLE	10-01-14	12-31-14	A water sample showed that the amount of this contaminant in our drinking water was above its standard (called a maximum contaminant level and abbreviated MCL) for the period indicated.
<p>* Barium levels were elevated for a period of 72 days during the rebuilding of the ion exchange units (water softeners) at the Angle Tarn Water Treatment Plant, necessitating the bypass of raw water. One quarterly sample exceeded the limit for Barium. Customers were notified of the elevated Barium levels via postal mail during the violation period. The Village of West Dundee entered into a Compliance Commitment Agreement with the IEPA that states: "The Illinois EPA acknowledges that on February 6, 2015, West Dundee repaired and disinfected the failed ion exchange softeners at the Angle Tarn Water Treatment Plant (WTP), and placed them back into service. Subsequent tests indicated that the softeners are providing water to the community that complies with all IEPA drinking water standards. The repairs to the softeners were extensive and are anticipated to prevent further failures in the foreseeable future."</p>			

BARIUM LEVELS

Please be advised that elevated Barium levels in the community water supply, as referenced in a notification mailed to residents in December 2014, have been reduced back to normal levels. Repairs were completed as quickly as possible and water samples were submitted for testing to both the IEPA and an independent lab. Test results provided confirmation that Barium levels were well within the range of IEPA compliance once again. Additional information regarding the violation that occurred can be found in the above table within the 2014 Water Quality Report.

CURBSIDE YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Free curbside yard waste collection began the first Friday in April and continues until the last collection date in November. Yard waste is collected on Fridays, along with refuse and recycling.



Organic yard waste materials should be placed at the curb in a Kraft type paper bag or in an open plastic or metal trash container, and must be kept separate from refuse. Cans containing yard waste should be clearly identifiable and set out with the lid off. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.

Individual brush and tree trimmings must be less than 2" in diameter and should be cut to lengths of 4' or less, tied with biodegradable twine into bundles no more than 2' in diameter. Each bundle shall not to exceed 50 pounds.

Grass clippings may be included as yard waste. Please do not discharge grass clippings into the street when mowing your lawn. Dirt, sod, large branches, tree stumps, rocks, garden vegetables, fruit and non-organic materials are not considered yard waste.

Please place all items parallel to the curb. Trash and recycling totes should be placed at least 24" apart and at least 24" away from other objects such as your mailbox or parkway trees. More information regarding refuse collection is available on the [Trash Yard Waste and Recycling page](http://wdundee.org) at wdundee.org.

Saturday refuse collection will occur in West Dundee after the following major holidays:

Memorial Day Labor Day Thanksgiving Christmas New Years Day

Please note that the 4th of July is typically on this list, but is not this year, as the holiday is on Saturday.

SMART CHOICES FOR SMOKE DETECTOR PLACEMENT

Home is where most of us feel the safest – but it's also where we are most likely to experience a fatal fire. In fact, 85% of fire fatalities occur in the home. This is due in large part to homes being unprotected or under-protected in terms of smoke alarms being in working order and sufficient in number and placement.

Since 2000, newly constructed homes in West Dundee have been required to meet National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) standards, with hard-wired, interconnected smoke alarms installed on each floor, in hallways and inside of all sleeping areas. But more than 84-million homes nationwide have only isolated battery- or electric-powered smoke alarms. Millions more do not have an alarm inside of bedrooms. **Simply put, residents with an insufficient number of working smoke alarms are under protected and therefore at increased risk.**

Recent studies identify that, based on construction features and contents, families may have less than 3 minutes from the time the first smoke alarm sounds to escape a fire. The sooner an alarm is heard, the more time there is to respond.

Because you can't predict what type of fire will start in a home, it is important that both smoldering and flaming fires are detected as quickly as possible. Therefore, both photoelectric and ionization technology – either in a mix of single technology alarms or a combination alarm – is optimal. However, the most important thing is to ensure that there are working UL-listed smoke alarms on every floor of the home, in hallways, in living areas, inside bedrooms and outside of sleeping areas.

Please remember: Smoke alarms do not last forever. **Replace smoke alarms in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations or at least every 10 years.** Smoke alarms should be tested monthly to ensure they are in proper working order. Set your calendar for a particular day each month for this important safety check.

For more information, please visit the [Fire Department page](http://wdundee.org) at wdundee.org.



IT CAN HAPPEN IN A FLASH WITH A SPLASH

The Epidemic of Liquid & Steam Burns

Each year, over 450,000 burn injuries occur in the United States that are serious enough to require medical treatment. Scald burns account for more than a quarter of burn center admissions. You can help prevent severe burn and scald injuries by following these “Tips to Stay Safe”:

- Set your water heater at 120 degrees F/48 degrees C, or just below the medium setting.
- Use a thermometer to test the water coming out of your bath water tap.
- Run your hand through bath water to test for hot spots.
- Use back burners and turn pot handles toward the back of the stove so children cannot pull them down.
- Use oven mitts when cooking or handling hot food and drinks.
- Stir and test food cooked in the microwave before serving. Open heated containers away from you, from back to front.
- Keep children away from the stove when cooking by using a safety gate for younger children and marking with tape a 3-foot “no-kid zone” for older children.
- Keep hot drinks away from the edge of tables and counters and avoid using tablecloths and placemats.
- Use a “travel mug” with a tight-fitting lid for all hot drinks.
- Never hold or carry a child while you have a hot drink in your hand.



GARAGE SALE REGULATIONS

Back in January, community feedback was requested regarding proposed changes to garage sale regulations, in an effort to address concerns raised by the community. Feedback was received from 21 West Dundee residents, of which 8 expressed support for the proposed changes, and 13 were opposed to portions or all of the regulations proposed.

After additional review and discussion, the Village Board has elected to maintain the previously existing regulations without change. Below are the Village's current policies relating to garage sales:

- No more than three garage sales may be held per year at any one address.
- Garage sale signs may be posted in West Dundee for sales that are taking place in West Dundee only.
- Signs may be displayed for 4 days, on the days when the sale is actually taking place.
- A maximum of 5 signs may be displayed for a garage sale.
- Signs may be placed in the public parkway near major intersections to direct patrons, but may not be placed on poles.

If you have experienced difficulties with particular addresses holding a high number or frequency of garage sales, the Village asks that you let us know when sales are occurring at these addresses. This will provide for a record of the number of sales that are held, in order to facilitate enforcement of the 3 per year policy. Please note that up to 4 consecutive days constitutes a single garage sale event.

We would ask that you submit notification for each garage sale event electronically using West Dundee's [YourGOV service request system](#), if possible. Please provide the address in question, along with any pertinent information or a photograph. The [YourGOV system](#) can be accessed online, or downloaded as an app for iPhone, iPad and Android users. This system can also be used to submit any type of service request to the Village, such as a street light outage, grass height complaint, tree inspection request, etc.



FREE SHREDDING EVENT *Saturday, May 30, 12-3pm*

Residents of East and West Dundee will have an opportunity to securely shred personal documents on Saturday, **May 30, from 12-3pm** downtown on Meier Street in East Dundee, near The Depot. The cost for non-residents and businesses will be \$5, available after 2:30pm.

VILLAGE-WIDE GARAGE SALE *East & West Dundee, May 29-30-31*

Residents of East and West Dundee are invited to participate in a village-wide garage sale on May 29, 30 & 31, 2015. While it is not necessary to register for the garage sale, it is encouraged at no charge. **The registration deadline is May 24, 2015.** Registration forms are available online, at the Depot, and both Village Halls.

All those that register will be included on the official list of garage sale locations, and will receive a small garage sale kit, courtesy of Kate and Dick Schumacher of Baird & Warner. Kits can be picked up at The Depot starting Monday, May 25 while supplies last.

A list of registered homes participating will be available at the Depot, both Village Halls and websites, and the village(s)-wide event is slated for publication in the Daily Herald and Courier News Classified Section.

After your garage sale, we encourage you to arrange to donate your unsold goods to an area non-profit organization.

For further information about the document shredding or garage sale events, please contact Karen Blair at kblair@eastdundee.net or call The Depot at 847-426-2255.

Free

Fridays: 7:00-8:30 pm
Exception: Saturday, June 27 from 7:30-9:00 pm

CONCERTS IN THE Park

JUNE 12 - The Associates

Featuring some of the finest vocalists and musicians in the Chicago area, The Associates are sure to deliver an exciting high-energy performance. Their crowd pleasing repertoire includes thousands of songs including Motown, Classic Rock, Blues, Swing, Jazz, Country and much more!

Location: Grafelman Park

Cosponsored by the Village of West Dundee

JUNE 19 - SODA

SODA captures the heart and soul of one of the most diverse play lists you will find anywhere. Having played at Arlington International and U.S. Cellular Field, SODA is sure to put on a great show!

Location: Lions Park

Cosponsored by the Village of East Dundee

JULY 10 - Pirates of 40

This tropical Rock Band plays everything including Jimmy Buffett, Zac Brown, The Neville Brothers, Harry Belafonte and much, much more! They pride themselves in taking songs and putting a tropical twist on them. With 15 years experience they are sure to blow your mind!

Location: Grafelman Park

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JULY 17 - Student Body

Chicago's hottest and most entertaining cover band is ripped right out of your high school yearbook pages! A fun and entertaining play on all the cliques that ruled your school, The Student Body plays all your favorite high-energy hits that will leave you reminiscing about all your high school conquests.

Location: Lions Park

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JULY 24 - Billy Elton

Billy Elton transports you to the excitement of Billy Joel and Elton John. The performance is exciting, engaging, and entertaining for all ages, young and old. This show is guaranteed to bring the audience to its feet while swinging and singing to the music.

Location: Grafelman Park

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JULY 31 - Gina Glocksen Band

Gina Glocksen is best known as the ninth place finalist of the seventh season of American Idol. Gina's captivating personality, edgy style and unforgettable voice have helped the world to see that this girl is a talent that can't be ignored. She promises her fans that the music will be well worth the wait!

Location: Lions Park

Cosponsored by the Village of East Dundee

AUGUST 7 - Mason Rivers

Mason Rivers is a high-energy band that covers the best of today's country as well as your favorite classics. Formed from some of the finest musical talent in the Chicagoland area, Mason Rivers is the band that Rocks Country!

Location: Grafelman Park

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CONCERT & Fireworks SATURDAY, JUNE 27

Meadowdale Park/Shopping Center-Besinger & Maple Ave. Carpentersville

7:30-9:00 pm - Smoking Gunz

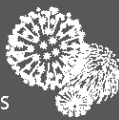
In 2011 Smokin Gunz was voted the number one country band in Chicago by both Suburbanites Magazine and the Chicago Rocker Magazine. They are sure to produce a fun and entertaining atmosphere that will be remembered for years to come!

9:30 pm - Fireworks*

The rain-out date for the fireworks is Sunday, June 28 at approximately 9:00 pm*
*The Fireworks show may begin up to 30 minutes early or be delayed up to one hour due to inclement weather.

Assistance with the event will be provided by the Village of Carpentersville Police, Fire and Public Works.

Food and drinks will be sold by the Dundee Township Lions Club. All proceeds will benefit the community.



SAVE
THE
DATE!

October 10 • 11:00 am - 3:00 pm • Randall Oaks Park

Local dog-related vendors & rescue groups, call Jon (847) 836-4260 for registration information & fees.

Dog Days
of Dundee

Postal Customer West Dundee, IL 60118

HERITAGE FEST is September 18, 19 & 20
www.WDundeeHeritageFest.org

With the approach of summer and increase in outdoor activities, please keep in mind the following Village ordinances to help keep our Village clean, safe and looking great.

- **SIDEWALK ACCESS:** To ensure a pedestrian-friendly environment, please trim back any encroaching bushes or trees. Please do not park vehicles across the sidewalk.
- **LAWN & LANDSCAPING:** Please do not allow grass or weeds to become overgrown or unsightly. Grass or weeds in excess of 10" in height will be issued a violation, if a complaint is received.
- **CURB YOUR PETS:** Pets must be leashed when not on your property. Please promptly clean up after your pet if he/she defecates on public property or others' private property. Please do not leave your dog outside unattended for an extended period of time, as excessive barking creates a nuisance.
- **REFUSE CONTAINERS:** Refuse, recycling and yard waste containers should be stored in the side or rear yard, not along the front of your home, and may not be placed curbside until the evening prior to collection.
- **FIRE PITS:** Portable fire pits are allowed, but only for the burning of good, dry wood, and only in the rear yard. Please do not burn leaves or other debris that will generate excess smoke, and avoid making a recreational fire on breezy days. Your neighbors with allergies and breathing difficulty will thank you! For additional recreational fire guidelines, please visit wdundee.org.
- **RECREATIONAL VEHICLES:** RVs, boats and trailers may not be kept in a driveway or on Village streets for longer than 48 hours. Special permission for out-of-town guests may be granted for up to a 7-day period. For additional guidelines, please view [section 7-5-10](#) of the West Dundee Municipal Code.