

WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

Summer 2023



LETTER FROM SUPERVISOR CROWNER

Welcome to our quarterly township newsletter. As your Supervisor, my goal is to keep you informed on what your Wheatland Township government is doing, changes being made to benefit our community, and give you important information on township services and events.

We are now well into the new fiscal year at the township. While our annual audit will confirm exact figures, over the previous fiscal year we operated over *15% under budget* and have continued to strengthen the overall financial position of the township.

I also received Board approval for my proposal to move some of our funds into accounts that will now generate significantly more interest than we have received in past years.

It is because of this sound fiscal management that our Township is able to maintain the lowest Township Fund tax rates in all of Will County.

More information on our financial performance is available on the Township website.

Our team is proud of the work we are doing to protect your tax dollars while still continuing to expand the services available to you.

Sincerely,
Michael Crowner
Wheatland Township Supervisor

WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP LAUNCHES DECENNIAL COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY

At the May regular Board Meeting, the Wheatland Township Board of Trustees approved Supervisor Michael Crowner's appointments to the inaugural Decennial Committee to study and report on government efficiency.

The Committee will study the Township's governing statutes, ordinances, rules, procedures, powers, jurisdiction, shared services, intergovernmental agreements, and relationships with other governmental units and the State. The committee will then prepare a report on its findings.

All meetings are subject to the Open Meetings Act and will be noticed on the Township website. Feedback between meetings is welcome and encouraged. Please email the supervisor at supervisorsoffice@wheatlandtownship.com with questions, ideas, or comments.

To learn more about the committee, you can attend our next meeting on August 10th at 6:30 PM at the Township.

WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP WEBSITE RECEIVES REFRESH

Have you visited the Wheatland Township website recently?

The website recently overwent a refresh in an effort to make information easier to find more accessible for our residents.

The most important addition is the services tab providing information on many of the services that the township provides such as Energy Aggregation, Garbage & Recycling, Transportation Services, Financial Assistance, and so much more.

Got any ideas for additional information you would like to see on our website? Please reach out with your comments and suggestions to BillG@wheatlandtownship.com

NEW AGREEMENT ENABLES EXPANSION OF WHEATLAND COMMUNITY PARK



In an intergovernmental transfer, Wheatland Township has donated Wheatland Community Park to the Plainfield Park District.

The five-acre park, located on 127th Street, will be combined with Springs at 127th to create a nine-acre community park.

The park district developed Springs at 127th in March to include a dog park, fitness stations, a pollinator garden and landscape improvements, among other offerings.

Wheatland Park consists of a baseball field, large gazebo, playground, basketball court, soccer field, walking path and parking lot.

"Anytime two government agencies can come together for the good of the community, it's a great thing," Plainfield Park District Executive Director Carlo Capalbo said in a statement. "Wheatland Park, combined with our Springs at 127th development, creates a really nice, nine-acre community park in the northeast quadrant of our District."

The Park District will make updates including new signage, playground maintenance and other needed safety improvements.

"The Wheatland Community Park is such a great space for families," Wheatland Township Supervisor Michael Crowner said in a statement. "I am excited that under the management of the Plainfield Park District that this important community asset will be able to be improved and expanded upon."

BRUSH PICKUP INFORMATION FOR WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP UNINCORPORATED RESIDENTS



The Road District Brush Removal Program is for the sole use of residents in unincorporated Wheatland Township and is not to be used by contractors or landscapers.

It is for the disposal of trimmed or pruned branches only. **Cutting a tree down is not considered trimming or pruning.**

Our equipment is not designed to grind small twigs. If it is small enough to be placed in a bag, it is considered yard waste and will not be picked up by the Road District. Call your scavenger service for disposal of yard waste and roots.

Place brush at curbside by 7:00 AM on the Monday of the designated Pick-up week. Do not place material earlier than the Saturday before the scheduled pick up. To service the entire unincorporated areas often takes three to seven working days. Your brush may not be picked up until later in the week. We will only pass once through your neighborhood.

August 28th–September 1st, 2023

October 2nd–6th, 2023

Christmas Tree Pick-Up: January 8th, 2024

There will NOT be a scheduled brush pick-up in July

For more information, please check out our website at www.wheatlandtownship.com where we will provide updates throughout the year.

Upcoming 2023 Board Meetings

All meetings start at 7:30 PM

July 13
August 10
September 14

October 12
November 9
December 14



Get Connected. Get Help.™

**OPERATORS ARE
STANDING BY TO ANSWER
YOUR QUESTIONS 24/7/365**



United Way of Will County



WILL COUNTY

**ONE FREE CALL TO 2-1-1 CONNECTS YOU WITH ALL
HUMAN SERVICES IN WILL COUNTY**



GET HELP



• Food

• Clothing

• Shelter



• Housing

• Rent / Utility Assistance

• Counseling



• Substance Abuse

• Domestic Violence

• Sexual Assault



• Transportation

• Support Groups

• Senior Services



• Aging Parents

• Child Care



• Employment

• Legal Assistance

• Health Care

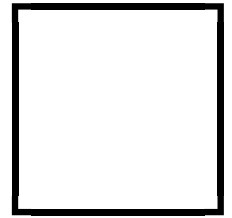
Did you know the United Way of Will County launched a 2-1-1 Helpline in June 2022?

2-1-1 is a free, multi-lingual, confidential, 24-hour information and referral service that provides a central access point to health and human services in Will County.

The 2-1-1 Helpline reduce non-emergency calls to 9-1-1 as well as reduce the burden on service providers by helping people find the right solution in one call. This approach helps reduce the time agencies spend redirecting calls to other agencies and enables them to spend more time addressing needs of their own clients. Over time, 2-1-1 reduces the ultimate cost of services and makes sure dollars are spent most efficiently.



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Remember the days of having a handy list of names and numbers placed on the side of the old fridge? Well, here is that document!

We are making an effort to go a little old school and provide just that.

We are your township and we take the opportunity to assist in the daily lives of our residents seriously.

HANDY PHONE NUMBERS FOR WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP

Wheatland Township	630-717-0092
Will County (Main)	815-722-5515
Animal Control	815-462-5633
Building Commission	815-727-8634
Health Department	815-727-8480
Land Use	815-774-3321
Transportation	815-727-8476
Sheriff (Non-Emergency)	815-727-8895
MC2 Energy (Electricity)	833-879-0715
NICOR (Natural Gas)	888-642-6748
Environmental (Trash/Recycling)	877-323-2222

Need Some Help?

General Assistance (GA) is a locally administered program which provides monthly financial assistance to persons who do not have adequate income or resources to provide for their own basic needs. To qualify, the individual must meet certain financial and residential criteria, and not be eligible for any other state or federal assistance programs.

Emergency Assistance (EA) is available to individuals and families to alleviate a life-threatening circumstance. Assistance can only be issued once in a 12-month period to Township residents who meet the financial eligibility requirements. Most often, rental assistance and utility assistance is available when the resident has an eviction or cut-off notice.

Thanks to an agreement between our Boards, Wheatland Township residents have access to the DuPage Township **Food Pantry** to supplement the nutritional needs of our Township's residents.

If you would like any more information about the programs above, please reach out to supervisorsoffice@wheatlandtownship.com