



JUNE 2024

# VILLAGE VIEW

## Water Bill Brief

### Mayor's Message

#### Mayor Frank Trilla

The official start of summer is quickly approaching, and it's an exciting time for our community. This spring has been bustling with activity, as the Village held a Grand Opening/Ribbon-cutting event at Midway Park on May 23rd. I am incredibly grateful for the overwhelming community support as we unveiled the new facilities now available at the park. The completion of the Midway Park project opens up more opportunities for outdoor enjoyment, including the addition of wiffle ball leagues and a wiffle ball tournament.

With the days and evenings warming up, the Parks & Recreation Department is gearing up for a fantastic lineup of activities. Returning this year are popular events such as Neighborhood Nights, Watermelons on Water, and Outdoor Movie Nights. Come out and join us. I am confident there will be something for everyone to enjoy this summer!

### Community Development

#### Summer Reminders

As summer approaches, it's important to remember the upkeep of your lawns and trees. Unkempt lawns are not only unsightly but can also become a haven for vermin. Proper lawn care is essential, and according to Village code (Section 6-2-2-6), grass and weeds should not exceed 8 inches in height. Tree maintenance is equally important. Unhealthy trees can pose significant hazards, so regular evaluations are necessary to prevent costly projects and dangerous situations.

Additionally, we are now accepting emailed permit applications and submittals. Please send your permit applications and all necessary attachments to [bzadmin@willowbrook.il.us](mailto:bzadmin@willowbrook.il.us). For those unsure about what is needed for a permit application, our Permit Checklists can be incredibly helpful. These guides ensure you provide all the necessary documents, which in turn reduces the permit review time. Checklists can be found at Willowbrook Building Permits. <https://www.willowbrookil.org/BuildingPermits>

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## Willowbrook Police Department

### School is Out: Watch Out for Kids!

With school being out for the summer, more kids will be out and about, especially in neighborhoods. Please SLOW down and use the following precautions:

- Day or night, drive with your headlights on so children can see you.
- When approaching parked cars, always expect a child to run out into the roadway.
- Look for bicycles, sporting equipment, and other indicators kids may be at play in the area.
- Before backing, scan the area around your car, double-check mirrors, and windows, and use a rearview camera.

On most roadways, bicyclists (including those on electric bikes) have the same rights and responsibilities as other roadway users. The following are important safety tips regarding bicyclists:

- Drivers must yield the right of way to a bicyclist just as they would to another vehicle.
- When passing a bicyclist, do so slowly and leave at least 3 feet of passing space.
- Bicyclists should wear equipment to make them more visible to others, including but not limited to a helmet, bright clothing with reflective clothing being preferred, and lights on the front and rear of the bicycle.
- Bicyclists should assume drivers do not see them. Make eye contact with drivers to ensure everyone's intentions are clear.
- Be aware of opening car doors, cars backing out of driveways or parking spots, and roadway hazards.

## Public Works

### Consumer Confidence Report

Consumer Confidence Reports for reporting year 2023 will be made available on the Village's website to all water customers no later than July 1, 2024.

### Do You Hear the Buzz?

We are currently experiencing a natural phenomenon, the "Cicada Emergence." This year is remarkable because two broods of cicadas are emerging simultaneously for the first time in 221 years. This rare event provides a unique opportunity to witness the fascinating life cycle of these insects, as millions of cicadas fill the air with their distinctive calls.

Homeowners can minimize damage from periodical cicadas while still appreciating the significance of this unique biological event. For more information, visit <https://mortonarb.org/plant-and-protect/tree-plant-care/plant-care-resources/2024-cicada-emergence/>

## Parks & Recreation

### Active Adult Programs

There is still time to sign up for one of our fun-filled events this summer. Come join us for an Afternoon Delight, Kings & Queens of BOARDom, Bingo, the Brain Boosting Historical Portrayal Series, and so much more. For additional information or to register, visit our improved digital programming guide at <https://www.willowbrookil.org/347/The-Scoop-Active-Adult-Program-Newslette> or call 630-323-8215.

# Parks & Recreation Upcoming Events



### FISHING DERBY

6/15/2024 | 9 AM - 12 PM  
Willow Pond



### POKER WITH THE POLICE

6/29/2024 | 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM  
Community Resource Center



### OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT

7/13/2024 | 7:30 PM  
Gower Elementary School



### WATERMELONS ON WATER

8/3/2024 | 7:30 PM - 9 PM  
Willow Pond

View the entire program guide and sign up for events by visiting [willowbrookil.org/specialevents](https://willowbrookil.org/specialevents).

## VILLAGE OF WILLOWBROOK

- Village Hall Administration - (630) 323-8215  
Hours of Operation - Monday through Friday 8:30am-4:30pm
- Police Department Administration - (630) 325-2802

## GARBAGE & RECYCLING CONTRACTOR

- Groot Industries, Inc. - (888) 485-0900

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