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Division of Water Pollution Control ANNUAL FACILITY INSPECTION REPORT

for NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)

This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, printed and signed before it is submitted to the Compliance Assurance Section at the above address. Complete each section of this report.

Report Period: From March, 2023 To March, 2024

Permit No. ILR40 0638

MS4 OPERATOR INFORMATION: (As it appears on the current permit)

Name: Village of Minooka Mailing Address 1: 121 E. McEvelly Road
Mailing Address 2: _____ County: Grundy
City: Minooka State: IL Zip: 60447 Telephone: 815-467-8868
Contact Person: Ryan Anderson Email Address: ryan.anderson@minooka.com
(Person responsible for Annual Report)

Name(s) of governmental entity(ies) in which MS4 is located: (As it appears on the current permit)

Village of Minooka Will County
Kendall County Grundy County

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE ADDRESSED.

A. Changes to best management practices (check appropriate BMP change(s) and attach information regarding change(s) to BMP and measurable goals.)

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| 1. Public Education and Outreach | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Construction Site Runoff Control | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Public Participation/Involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Post-Construction Runoff Control | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> |

B. Attach the status of compliance with permit conditions, an assessment of the appropriateness of your identified best management practices and progress towards achieving the statutory goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the MEP, and your identified measurable goals for each of the minimum control measures.

C. Attach results of information collected and analyzed, including monitoring data, if any during the reporting period.

D. Attach a summary of the storm water activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle (including an implementation schedule.)

E. Attach notice that you are relying on another government entity to satisfy some of your permit obligations (if applicable).

F. Attach a list of construction projects that your entity has paid for during the reporting period.

Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent material statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after conviction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))


Owner Signature:

Ryan Anderson

Printed Name:

9/22/24
Date:

Supt. of Public Works

Title:

EMAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: epa.ms4annualinsp@illinois.gov

or Mail to: ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL
COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE SECTION #19
1021 NORTH GRAND AVENUE EAST
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Village of Minooka

NPDES Permit No. ILR40 0638

Annual Facility Inspection Report Attachment 1

March 2023 to March 2024

May 29, 2024

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Any questions or comments regarding this report shall be directed to either of the following:

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Ms. Susan Quasney, Robinson Engineering, Ltd.
815-412-2024 or susan.quasney@reltd.com



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Item A: Description of Changes to BMPs

There have been no changes in Village BMPs during this cycle.

**Item B: Status of compliance with permit conditions
and assessment of minimum control measures**

The Village believes that the BMPs completed within the reporting period are appropriate for the permit conditions. The status of each BMP is as follows:

Public Education and Outreach

1. **A1: Distributed Paper Material (Newsletter)**

The Village Newsletter is used to communicate MS4-related information to the public. Approximately 5,500 copies are mailed out monthly to Village residents.

2. **A4: Community Event**

The Village hosts a Village-wide cleanup day each year. The event encourages the public to be participants in keeping their community clean. On average, more than 50 people participate in the Cleanup Day and collect numerous 35-gallon bags of refuse from roadside ditches, parks, vacant lots, etc., throughout the Village. The 2023 Cleanup Day event was cancelled due to weather but is expected to be held again in the next reporting year.

3. **A6: Other Public Education (Website and Facebook)**

The Village Website and Facebook are used to distribute a variety of MS4-related information, including curbside garbage and recycling pickup, County recycling events, the Village clean-up day, and other community events. The Stormwater Management page, located on the Village website, includes multiple links advising residents on keeping leaves out of the drains, proper car washing and car maintenance to prevent stormwater pollution, and tips to maintaining a lawn. The MS4 NOI and annual reports, along with the public meeting agendas, can also be found on the website.

Public Participation and Involvement

4. B1: Public Panel

Staff regularly attends and participates in the Lower DuPage Watershed Coalition meetings.

5. B4: Public Hearing

The Village holds an annual public hearing to educate residents about the NPDES MS4 program and explain the Village's responsibilities under the MS4 permit. This year's public hearing was held on March 19, 2024.

6. B7: Other Public Involvement (Cleanup Day)

The Village sponsors and encourages a variety of activities each year that encourage public involvement with proper disposal of waste and recyclables, including the Village-wide Cleanup Day, an Unlimited Refuse Day, and electronics recycling through Grundy and Will Counties. These events encourage the public to participate in keeping their community clean. The Cleanup Day event was cancelled due to weather this year but is expected to be held again in the next reporting year.

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

7. C1: Storm Sewer Map Preparation

The Village has a Storm Sewer Atlas map on which storm sewer information is shown. The original atlas is dated 7/13/10 which continues to be updated as new construction and other modifications occur.

8. C2: Regulatory Control Program (Ordinance)

9. The Village Board passed an Illicit Discharge and Connection Ordinance in March of 2016 which adopted stricter requirements for enforcement of illicit discharges and connections. The Village continues to enforce these ordinances, which may be found on the Village website.

10. C7: Visual Dry Weather Screening

The Village last prepared an aerial photo exhibit identifying outfall locations in July 2012. The Village attempts to inspect its outfalls and perform its dry weather visual inspections of the outfalls at least once during each reporting cycle. Some visual monitoring inspections were performed during this cycle.

11. C10: Other Illicit Discharge Controls (Visual Monitoring Inspections)

As part of the Village's aquatic weed control program, the Village contracted with Premier Ponds of Illinois to perform testing of several ponds within the Village.

Construction Site Runoff Control

12. D1: Regulatory Control Program (Ordinance)

Village Ordinance 4-9 regulates soil erosion and sediment control runoff from construction sites. A soil erosion and sediment control plan, in compliance with Village, County, and the ILR10 permit, is required with all new development. A link to the Village ordinances can be found on the home page of the website.

13. D2: Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs

Per the ordinance, all structural BMPs per the approved plan are required to be in place prior to the start of construction.

14. D4: Site Plan Review Procedures

Development projects are required to include an erosion and sediment control plan, which are reviewed by Village Staff and/or engineering consultants. Projects over one acre are also required to submit a project SWPPP for approval and obtain a Notice of Intent prior to starting construction. A copy of the written Site Plan Review Process is available upon request.

15. D6: Site Inspection/Enforcement Procedures

Weekly inspection reports are required from developers of active projects. Periodic inspections are performed by the Village or its consultant to check for required maintenance and effectiveness. If deficits are found, additional BMPs may be required.

Post-Construction Runoff Control

16. E2: Regulatory Control Program (Ordinance)

Section 4-8 of the Village ordinances regulate stormwater runoff rates and post-construction BMPs which are enforced through the permitting process. The Village ordinances can be found on the Village website.

17. E3: Long Term O&M Procedures

Operation and maintenance plans for detention basins and other PCBMPs are required as part of the permitting process to ensure long-term compliance.

18. E4: Pre-Construction Review of BMP Designs

The ordinance requirements are enforced during the development plan review. The site plan reviews include a review of the BMP designs.

19. E5: Site Inspections During Construction

Self-inspection reports are required weekly and after 0.5 inches of rain, per the ILR10 permit, from developers of active projects. Periodic or surprise audit inspections are conducted by the Village or its consultant as needed.

20. E6: Post-Construction Inspections

Final inspections of stormwater management systems are performed prior to acceptance of public systems and before closing out a permit. After acceptance by the Village, storm sewers and structures are be vacuumed, jetted, or maintained as necessary.

Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping

21. F1: Employee Training Program

Public Works staff receives at least one training session per reporting cycle. A variety of pollution prevention and “good housekeeping” topics may be addressed, including proper procedures for handling, stockpiling, disposal, and clean-up of materials; salt storage and spreading, and snow-plowing. Typically, Village Staff receives deicing training through the Lower DuPage River Watershed Coalition Workshops, though did not attend this year. An in-house IDDE and pollution prevention training occurred on 3/20/24. Documentation is attached.

22. F2: The Inspection and Maintenance Program

Routine maintenance of Village streets, storm sewer, ditches, creeks and stormwater facilities is performed by staff as part of Public Works responsibilities. This includes sweeping, vacuuming, jetting, repair, and debris, branch and leaf collection.

- a. Street-sweeping of approximately 120 miles of Village streets is performed regularly via contracted arrangements. Copies of sweeping Invoices are attached.
- b. Catch Basins are regularly inspected and cleaned as needed during the reporting period.
- c. Storm Sewers are inspected and cleaned or jetted on an as needed basis.
- d. Detention Pond Maintenance is performed as needed.

23. F3: Municipal Operations Storm Water Control

The Village performs cleaning of catch basins and removal of debris in ditches, creeks, and detention basins on an as needed basis.

24. F4: Municipal Operations Waste Disposal

Maintenance Records and Logs are kept for routine maintenance of Village vehicles and equipment.

25. F5: Flood Management/Assessment Guidelines

Village Ordinance 4–7 enforces floodplain and flood hazard regulations for development in or near to floodplains. The Village continues to enforce this ordinance and other development ordinances through the plan review process and requires developers to obtain permits, as needed, from outside agencies. The Village ordinances are posted on the website.

26. F6: Membership in Lower DuPage River Watershed Coalition

The Village is required to attend and participate in the Lower DuPage Watershed Coalition meetings.

Item C: Results of information collected and analyzed, monitoring data (if any).

One illicit discharge was identified during the reporting cycle and the spill was cleaned up. An incident report is attached.

Item D: Summary of stormwater activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle (and implementation schedule).

See the attached Summary that is numbered to correspond with the original Notice of Intent.

Item E: Notice that you are relying on another governmental entity to satisfy some of your permit obligations (if applicable).

The Village relies on Will County for its residential recycling program for electronic waste. The Village does not rely on any other government entity to satisfy NPDES permit obligations at this time.

Item F: List of construction projects that your entity has paid for during the reporting period.

The following is a list of contracts that the Village let and constructed during this reporting period:

- 2023 MFT Roadway Project
- Water & Sewer Utility Extensions North of I-80
- Crack Sealing Project
- Minooka Road Resurfacing
- Sidewalk Install on Mondamin St

Documentation for Minimum Control Measures

The remaining sheets in this report include some available documentation for various Best Management Practices discussed under Item B.

VILLAGE OF MINOOKA

SUMMARY AND SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

MINIMUM CONTROL MEASURE		PREVIOUSLY COMPLETED	MAR-22	MAR-23	MAR-24	MAR-25
A. Public Education and Outreach on Stormwater Impacts						
A1	Literature Distribution (brochure, newsletter)	X	X	X	X	A
A4	Community Event (Cleanup day)	X	D	X	D	A
A6	Other Public Education (website)	X	X	X	X	A
B. Public Involvement/ Participation						
B1	Public Panel		X	X	X	A
B4	Public Hearing	X	D	D	X	A
B7	Other Public Involvement (Cleanup day)	X	D	X	D	A
C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination						
C1	Storm Sewer Map Update Program	X	X	X	X	A
C2	Regulatory Control Program	X	X	X	X	A
C7	Visual Dry Weather Screening Program	X	X	X	R	A
C10	Other Illicit Discharge Controls (Monitoring)		X	X	R	A
D. Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control						
D1	Regulatory Control Program	X	X	X	X	A
D2	Erosion and Sediment Control BMP's	X	X	X	X	A
D4	Site Plan Review Procedures	X	X	X	X	A
D6	Site Inspection/Enforcement Procedures	X	X	X	X	A
E. Post-Construction Storm Water Management						
E2	Regulatory Control Program	X	X	X	X	A
E3	Long Term O&M Procedures	X	X	X	X	A
E4	Pre-Construction Review of BMP Designs	X	X	X	X	A
E5	Site Inspections During Construction	X	X	X	X	A
E6	Post-Construction Inspections	X	X	X	X	A
F. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping						
F1	Employee Training Program	X	X	X	X	A
F2	Inspection & Maintenance Program	X	X	X	X	A
F3	Municipal Operations for Stormwater Control and	X	X	X	X	A
F4	Municipal Operations for Waste Disposal	X	X	X	X	A
F5	Flood Management/Assess Guidelines - Chap 7	X	X	X	X	A
F7	Other Municipal Operations Controls	X	X	X	X	A

A = Future Required/Planned Annual Activity
R = Future One-time Required/Planned Activity
D = Deferred Activity
X = Completed Activity

The Village of Minooka

www.minooka.com

AUX SABLE SPRINGS BASEBALL 2023



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To Serve You Better Welcome to Your Newsletter

Mayor's Message

The staff here at Village Hall would like to thank and dedicate this issue to Steve Thornton, who has been the Village Building Officer in a fair and even-handed way these last 15 years. We wish him nothing but the absolute best in his well-deserved retirement.

Respectfully,

Ric Offerman, Village President



The Village Administrator

Dan Duffy, Village Administrator

Community Spotlight

Minooka Memorial Day Parade 2023

On Monday May 29th, the Minooka American Legion Post 1188 hosted the annual Memorial Day Parade through downtown Minooka and a Memorial Service at Veterans Park.

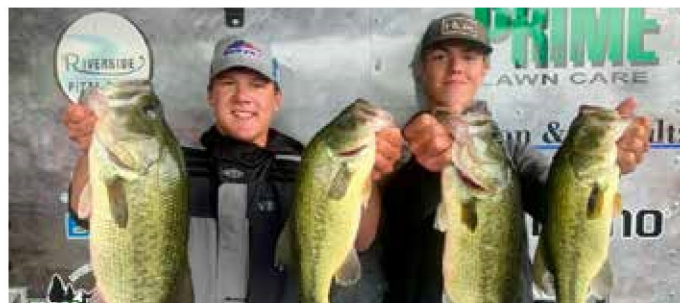
The Post would like to thank everyone who came out that day, making it one of the best parades they have had in years.

Photos by Kahlan Brunner



Minooka Captures Its First State Championship in Bass Fishing

On Sunday June 11th, Hunter Petrovic and Hayden Host competed in a 100-boat tournament against schools from all over the state and brought home a major win for MCHS and the Minooka Anglers Club! What's more, Hayden reeled in the biggest bass caught at the SPC Championship and largest weight in SPC history. Hunter, with an impressive five wins last season, and eight top five finishes and six top 20 finishes, was named All-American by Bassmaster.



Hunter Petrovic (left with tournament big bass) and Hayden Host with the final day winning bag at the the Illinois Bass Nation High School State Championship on the Des Plaines River.

Minooka Community
**Picnic
in the Park**

SAVE THE DATE!
Sunday,
September 17th
1pm to 4pm
at Lions Park

GRUNDY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS

BIRDIES, BOGEYS & BREWS GOLF OUTING

FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 8
11AM - 3PM

Registration Fee Single/Foursome: \$110/\$460
Heritage Bluffs Public Golf Course for golf,
and then off to Will County Brewing in
Channahon for drinks, lunch and raffles!
For more information email Events &
Marketing Director Lena Wickens
at lena@grundychamber.com

**HAPPY
4TH OF JULY FROM
VILLAGE OF MINOOKA!**

OFFICES ARE CLOSED TUESDAY, JULY 4TH!
**GARBAGE SERVICES TUESDAY-FRIDAY WILL
BE DELAYED ONE DAY
THIS WEEK ONLY**

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CHANNAHON-MINOOKA

Want to help children and families in your community? Kiwanis is for you!
Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 5pm, Minooka Village Hall
4th Wednesday of the month, 5:30pm, Channahon Village Hall
www.facebook.com/KCOCM/ kiwanischannahonminooka@gmail.com

MOVIE NIGHT

After
**Minooka Police Department
National Night Out**
Lions Park Minooka

Movie starts at dusk
AUGUST 1, 2023

Make sure you bring the family
to the
Minooka Police Department
National Night Out
from 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Don't forget to grab your lawn chairs
and blankets and stay for the movie.

For more information
dawn.niner@minooka.com

MOVIE NIGHT

JULY 15, 2023
LAKEWOOD BALLFIELD MINOOKA

Dungeons & Dragons
Bring your lawn chairs
and blankets
to enjoy a movie under
the stars.
Free kids craft before
the movie, 7pm.
Movie starts at dusk

FOR MORE INFO Dawn.niner@minooka.com

MCHS HOMECOMING WEEK SEPT. 5-9, 2023

MCHS Registration

2023-2024

Juniors & Seniors
Tuesday, July 25
South Campus Cafeteria

Freshmen & Sophomores
Wednesday, July 26
South Campus Cafeteria
9 a.m. to Noon & 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

MCHS

Freshmen Experience

August 9th, 2023

7:35 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. | South Campus
26655 W. Eames Street, Channahon, IL 60410

COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

AUG. 12. 23

9 AM - 12 PM

**MINOOKA COMMUNITY
HIGH SCHOOL
SOUTH CAMPUS**

26655 W. EAMES STREET CHANNAHON, IL 60410

Find Your Voice Summer Reading for All Ages

June 12-July 22

Everyone can find their voice this summer, no matter what age you are! Earn badges and prizes, plus entries into drawings, when you register for summer reading and log your reading and activities on Beanstack. **Registration for summer reading is open at trpld.org/summer-reading through July 22.**



Baseball Bus Trip: Chicago White Sox Game: All Ages

Friday, July 7, 4:30pm-11:30pm, Bus leaves from Channahon Library, 25207 W Channon Dr

Join us for Fireworks Night at Guaranteed Rate Field to cheer on the Chicago White Sox or Saint Louis Cardinals. Each ticket is \$55, which includes coach bus transportation to the game and an outfield reserved ticket to the 7:10pm game. Children 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Check-in at Channahon Library at 4:30pm. Bus leaves promptly at 5pm and will return approximately 11:30pm. **Registration and a waiver are required for each person.**



Family and Youth Programs:

Astrological Chart & Dream Journal: 12-17 Years

Friday, July 7, 4-5:30pm at Channahon Library, 25207 W Channon Dr
What's your sign? We'll delve into the world of astrology to find your unique birth chart and what it means for you. Design a dream journal to document your travels through the cosmos. **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

Climb Your Family Tree: Families

Tuesday, July 11, 11am-12pm at Minooka Branch, 109 N Wabena Ave
Learn how to uncover your family's roots as our resident genealogy pro gives you tips and tricks for uncovering more about your ancestors while you create a beautiful family tree to take home. **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

Standing Up for Me - Talking Boundaries & Color Tag: 12-19 Years

Friday, July 14, 4-5pm at Channahon Library, 25207 W Channon Dr
Learn to strengthen your own voice when talking to others about your physical boundaries, then join us for a game of color tag on the lawn. It's going to get colorful, so be sure to wear clothes that can go home a different color! **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

Learn Tunepad!: 12-17 years

Tuesday, July 18, 5:30-7:30pm at Channahon Library, 25207 W Channon Dr
This workshop is an introduction to the basics of this internet based program that uses coding to arrange music. We'll learn how to code a basic beat and then let you explore and create on your own. **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

Find Your Rhythm Drum Circle: K-2nd

Tuesday, July 20, 10-11am at Channahon Library, 25207 W Channon Dr
Find your own rhythm on a drum or other instrument. You can even play a rhythm on your own body! **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

Jim Gill: Live in Concert: All Ages

Saturday, July 29, 11am-12pm at Shabbona Middle School, 2001 Dupont Ave, Morris
Get ready to sing, clap, dance, and spin to the silly song stylings of Jim Gill! This family-friendly concert is open to all ages. **Registration is required to save your seat at this in-person program.**

Adult Programs:

Three Rivers Book Club: Adults

Wednesdays, August 2, 7-8:30pm at Arrowhead Community Center, 24856 W Eames St, Channahon
Join us for lively discussions of adult contemporary literature! New members are always welcome. Copies of the current selection are available for checkout at both libraries in advance of the meeting. **July: All Creatures Great and Small** by James Herriot **August: The Family Upstairs** by Lisa Jewell. **No registration is required for this in-person club.**

Making Change - A History of LGBTQ Activism: Adults

Tuesday, July 11, 6-7pm via zoom or join our watch party at Minooka Branch, 109 N Wabena Ave
Professor emeritus, John D'Emilio, will discuss the history of LGBTQ activism in the U.S., from the 1950s through the present day, including the Stonewall uprising in 1969. **Registration is required to receive the zoom link or to join the in-person watch party.**

Intro to Podcasting: Adults

Thursday, July 13, 6-7pm at Minooka Branch, 109 N Wabena Ave
Local podcasters and psychic sisters, Jennifer James and Jill Stanley, will share how to get started podcasting, what tools you need, and how to market and engage with your audience. Their podcast, Common Mystics, explores spirit stories they've uncovered in their travels and their psychic processes for tuning into the spirit world. **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

How to Find and Share Your Voice: Adults

Tuesday, July 18, 6-7pm at Minooka Branch, 109 N Wabena Ave
Do you have a story inside you or a message the world needs to hear? Join WriteOn co-founder & co-leader, Denise M. Baran-Unland, as she helps you find and nurture your writing voice, craft and polish your words, and explore ways to share your content with the world. **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

Pints & Pages Book Club: Adults

Wednesday, July 26, 7-8:30pm at Iron & Glass, 104 Ridge Rd, Minooka
Bring your own snacks and enjoy a pint or two while we discuss the current selection, My Sister, The Serial Killer by Oyinkan Braithwaite. New members are welcome to join this casual book club! **No registration is required.**

When You Wish Upon a Star: Adults

Tuesday, August 16, 6-7pm at Minooka Branch, 109 N Wabena Ave
Walt Disney famously said, "I hope we never forget that it all started with a mouse," but did it? As Disney celebrates its 100th anniversary, we'll discuss the history of many Walt Disney films & the studio itself. **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

Genealogy Basics - Immigration and Naturalization Records: Adults

Thursday, August 24, 6-7:30pm at Minooka Branch, 109 N Wabena Ave
Learn strategies to tell your immigrant ancestor's story, including passenger lists and naturalization records along with tips for finding other clues to connect with their homeland. **Registration is required for this in-person program.**

The Village of Minooka has a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System and follows the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) guidelines.

Did you realize that the Village has over 2,500 storm water catch basins and inlets within the Village limits that collect water from streets, parking lots, ditches, yards, roofs, etc.? The storm sewer pipes convey all the water from the inlets and catch basins and then discharge it to detention ponds, creeks, streams, and rivers. Illicit dumping or discharges to areas adjacent to each catch basin or inlet create problems beyond one's belief.

Public Works Control Measures

- Public Education and Outreach
- Public Participation and Involvement
- Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- Enforcing Construction Site Runoff Control
- Enforcing Post-Construction Runoff Control
- Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

Resident Control Measures

Just walk through your neighborhood and see what is taking place that may have a positive or negative impact to the storm water watershed.

Here are some of the negatives you may have observed:

- Homeowners discharging grass or raking leaves or other organic materials into the street. These materials will ultimately end up in the curb catch basins and then into storm sewers, detention basins, and receiving streams. Large amounts of decomposed materials have to be removed from catch basins in order to prevent storm sewer pipes from becoming plugged and sedimentation building up within detention basins. This type of maintenance costs all of us.
- Concrete trucks washing out in the gutter after supplying concrete for a building project.
- Homeowners dumping waste, motor oil, antifreeze, or paint products into a catch basin.
- Parked vehicles on the street dripping fuel, motor oil, anti-freeze, or other fluids.

Some positive storm water practices taking place are:

- Keeping grass clippings in your yard and not on the street by mulching or bagging the clippings that may normally be discharged into the street.
- Collecting used motor oil or paints and bringing them to a recycling center or disposing of them in a proper manner.
- Collecting rain water from your home's downspouts in a rain barrel and using it to water your plants.
- Properly following labels on fertilizer and herbicide products and not using them in areas that may run directly into bodies of water.
- Not watering your lawn excessively, preventing runoff from going into the street - and planting vegetation in a manner that slows water runoff.
- Adopting roadside ditches and picking up refuse that has been thrown from vehicles or has blown in; this is a good community service project for various organizations.
- Picking up animal waste from your pet and disposing of it properly.

If anything is noticed to be a negative effect on the storm water watershed, please contact Public Works at 815-467-8868.

Resident Care Matters!

Check around your neighborhood for anything harmful to storm watershed!



BUILDING DEPARTMENT

ORDINANCE REMINDERS:

7-3-2: HEIGHT LIMIT:

It shall be unlawful for anyone to permit any weeds, grass or plants, other than trees, bushes, flowers or other ornamental plants to grow to a height exceeding one foot (1') anywhere in the village, and such plants or weeds exceeding such heights are hereby declared to be a nuisance. (1977 Code; and, 1997 Code)

7-1-4: BURNING OF WASTE MATERIALS:

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to burn waste materials within the village limits, except as regulated herein. Any person violating this section shall be punishable as provided in section 1-4-1 of this code.

GRUNDY COUNTY LAND USE



- Children's Used Book Drive**
June 1st - July 14th 2023
- Latex, Oil, and Aerosol Paint Recycling**
May - October 2023
- Tire Recycling Event**
Thursday July 13th - Saturday July 15th
at Olson Recycling, 354 W. Jackson Street
(W. Route 6), Seneca, IL
- \$25 Composters for Sale until supplies last**

For more information on each of these programs, please visit www.grundycountyil.gov/land-use/ or call (815) 941-3228.



Chaplain's Corner

We All Have a Response - Ability

The election cycle is upon us. I know it's in 2024, but this is the perfect time to make a very important decision. The commercials, debates, slogans, ideas, are all about to flood our social media and 24 hour news cycle. So, as we enjoy summer barbecues, soon celebrate our nation's birthday, and enjoy the summer of 2023, let's collectively make a decision now to work on how we are going to respond to everything that is about to enter our world.

Think about this: we all have response-ability. That is, we all have the ability to choose our response... to... well... anything and anyone.

What if our kids, our young adults, see in us a willingness to 1. Disagree without being disagreeable, 2. Open ourselves to other ideas while holding on to our own values and beliefs and, 3. Dismiss ideas that we cannot accept while not being dismissive of others and accepting others different from us. The Apostle Paul knew this and he wrote, "Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone." Our kids are watching.

Our young adults are watching. They will likely reproduce the example we leave. Let's leave behind peace, kindness and grace. If you would like to talk more about this, or anything else on your mind, I would be glad to buy you a cup of coffee. carlosgarcia@missionbible.church

Carlos Garcia, Chaplain

NEWS FROM WITHIN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

VILLAGE ORDINANCE REMINDERS

July 4th, the day we celebrate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence! It is also a popular day people celebrate with fireworks. According to, Title 8 Chapter 2 Section 7 of the Village of Minooka's ordinance, fireworks are considered a nuisance and violations are subjectable to a fine.

8-2-7: FIREWORKS:

A. Nuisance: It shall be unlawful and a nuisance for any person, firm, copartnership or corporation to knowingly possess, offer for sale, sell at retail, or use or explode any fireworks;

The Definition of "FIREWORKS" is: Any explosive composition or any substance or combination of substances, or article prepared for the purpose of producing a visible OR audible effect of a temporary exhibitional nature.

Fireworks:	8-2-7	
First violation		200 .00
Second violation in a calendar year		400 .00
Third violation in a calendar year		600 .00

SAVE THE DATE

On Tuesday August 1st, the Minooka Police Department is hosting their annual National Night Out festivities at Lions Park on McEvilly Rd from 5:30pm-7:30pm. This event helps bring residents, local businesses and the police department together, to help build relationships between neighbors and law enforcement. There will be free food, music and entertainment for the kids including the Jessie White Tumblers, bounce houses, pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, balloon art and so much more!!



Back to School – Safety Tips:

If you are driving, remember these rules:

- Yellow flashing lights on a school bus means **SLOW DOWN** – don't speed up! The bus is preparing to stop.
- Red flashing lights means **STOP** and wait at least 20 feet behind the bus. Stay stopped until the red lights stop flashing, the extended stop-arm is withdrawn, and the bus begins to move.
- Even when lights aren't flashing, **WATCH FOR CHILDREN**. Be alert as you back out of a driveway or drive through a neighborhood, school zone or bus stop.

If you are riding the bus, remember these rules:

- Arrive at the bus stop at least 5 minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive
- **SAFE:**
 - Stay five steps away from the curb
 - Always wait until the bus comes to a complete stop and the bus driver signals for you to board.
 - Face forward after finding a seat.
 - Exit the bus after it stops and look left-right-left for cars before crossing the street.

If you are riding your bike, remember these rules:

- Always wear a correctly fitted helmet and securely fasten the chin strap.
- Ride in the same direction as traffic, and follow traffic signs and signals
- Stay in the bike lane whenever possible.
- Never use electronics while riding – they are distracting

If you are a pedestrian, remember these rules:

- Use the sidewalk whenever possible, and if there isn't a sidewalk, walk on the edge of the street facing traffic.
- Whenever they are available, use marked crosswalks to cross the street, and look left-right-left for vehicles or bikes before crossing.
- Make sure you never play, push or shove others when you walk around traffic.
- Everyone should watch the road, not their phones.

Cop on a Rooftop 2023

Thank you to everyone that came out on May 19th to see Minooka and Channahon police officers at this year's "Cop on a Rooftop."

Whichever Minooka Dunkin' location you chose, North or South, your amazing support raised over \$8,000 for Special Olympics Illinois through the Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics! The Minooka Police Department loved seeing you all and cannot wait for next year!




NEWS FROM LOCAL CHURCHES

MISSION BIBLE CHURCH

We are excited to invite you to Mission Bible Church where we believe in being Real with God, Real with Each Other and Real in the World.

Great Church Giveaway

The whole community is invited to the Great Church Giveaway happening at the Minooka Campus on August 12th, 2023 from 8-11am. Not only will we have free clothes and other items, but there will be free haircuts available from 8:15-10:30am. Can't wait to see you here!

 missionbible.church

 Mission Bible Church

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Mission Minooka

Saturday 5:00pm • Sunday 9:00/10:30am • 412 N. Wabena in Minooka

Mission Morris (meeting at Saratoga School)

Sunday 9:30am • 4040 N. Division St, Morris - Door #16

ReEngage

Re|engage is a safe place where you will find encouragement and tools to strengthen your marriage relationship. This is a great group for all married couples whether your marriage is a 2 or a 10! This group meets Tuesday nights starting on August 22nd. You can register for ReEngage on the website at missionbible.church.

MINOOKA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship *We have moved! Join us at our temporary location at 24751 W. Eames St., Channahon, IL 60410 (CUMC)

Saturday in-person at 5 PM

Sunday in-person & online at 11:30 AM


(Please note worship will be at held at 9 AM on 7/2.)

FUTURE HOME

We will move to our permanent home on Ridge Road in 2023! Stay tuned to our website for updates. Worship times will change when we move. Our permanent address is 1210 S. Ridge Road, Minooka.

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 Minooka United Methodist Church

 **Future Home:** 1210 S. Ridge Rd., Minooka, 60447

Free VBS!!

Join us for our FREE Stellar VBS! Channahon UMC & Minooka UMC will hold this event in combination with each other. VBS will be held July 16, 2023 – July 20, 2023, from 6:00 pm – 8:15 pm at Channahon UMC located at 24751 W. Eames Street in Channahon. Children 3 years old through 5th grade (grade in the fall) are invited. Register for this free event at minookaumc.com! Invite your friends and neighbors to attend!

"Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun."


THE VILLAGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sundays at The Village Christian Church

You're welcome to join us for In-Person church at 8965 South Bell Road in Minooka. Service times are at 9:00 and 10:30 am.


Kid Village Classes will be open for both services, **infant-grade 3**.

Pulse 45 (grades 4-5) and **Pulse Jr. (grades 6-8)** meet during Sunday morning services.

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 TheVillageChristianChurch

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 8965 South Bell Road, Minooka Illinois 60447

Helping The Community-Mobile Food Pantries

The Village Christian Church wants to be an exceedingly generous church, giving BIG to help people in need. The Northern Illinois Food Bank will be distributing food at The Village Christian Church, 8965 South Bell Road in **Minooka On Monday, July 17 at 5 PM and Monday, August 28 at 5 pm.**

Distribution usually lasts about an hour and is first come, first served. Families will receive about a week's worth of food: dairy, bread, fruit and vegetables. There will be no proof of income, registration or I.D. required.

For more information check out: www.thevillagechristianchurch.com

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Saturdays from 4-4:45pm

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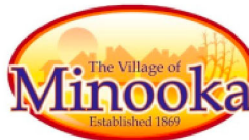
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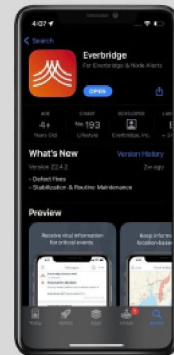
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By downloading the Everbridge Mobile App, you can select to receive notifications concerning community events, time-sensitive alerts and/or emergency information that may impact your area.

- Allow Everbridge to send Push Notifications
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- Search "Minooka"
- Select "Village of Minooka"
- Log in with your Everbridge username and password. If you don't have credentials, create them now.



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Speak out! Suggestions! Volunteer!

Communicate with Minooka elected officials and administrators. Your advice, suggestions, volunteering, questions and opinions are appreciated and will receive a response. Please complete this form, detach, and return to: Village Administrator, Village of Minooka, 121 E. McEvilly, Minooka, IL 60447.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Comment: _____

Established 1869

The Village of **Minooka**

HAPPY
New Year!

FROM THE VILLAGE OF MINOOKA

2024

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January - February 2024

To Serve You Better Welcome to Your Newsletter

Mayor's Message

Hi Folks!

Now that the holidays are over for a while, and we hope yours was restful, joyous, and rewarding with family and friends, we can try to return to a somewhat regular routine.

But first, have you cleaned up all the cookies, cakes, and pies? No, us either. You know you just don't want to rush back into this regular routine stuff. Just ease into it is my first (and only) New Year's Resolution. Good luck with your routines and resolutions because Easter will be here before we know it.

Respectfully,

Ric Offerman, *Village President*



The Village Administrator

Dan Duffy, *Village Administrator*

New Business Spotlight

Minooka Basement Bar & Grill

Minooka Basement Bar & Grill is a family owned and operated restaurant located in downtown Minooka at 109 W. Mondamin Street.

Joaquin Castro is the owner of Minooka Basement Bar & Grill and currently has 23 employees. Joaquin has worked in banquets and events for 20+ years, with his most recent position being banquet manager. He has always dreamed of running his own business. It has shown to be a lot of work, but he is determined to make his restaurant and banquet space a staple in the Minooka community.

The restaurant opened its doors for the first time on June 17th, offering an array of dishes ranging from burgers and wings to crowd favorites, such as steak bites, pot roast, and mile high meatloaf. The banquet hall can accommodate up to 80 guests, making it a great space for small events and gatherings. Event booking is expected to start in early 2024.


If you have not done so already, come check out Minooka Basement Bar & Grill. Hours are Sunday, Tuesday-Thursday 12pm-9pm and Friday-Saturday 12pm-10pm. For more information, visit www.minookabasementbar.com or call (815)290-5055.



HAPPY
New Year
2024

Village Offices will be
CLOSED
Monday, January 1st


Trash services will be delayed one day this week.


Martin Luther King Jr.
Day

Village Offices will be
Closed
Monday, January 15, 2024
in observance of the holiday

Village offices will be
CLOSED
in observance of



President's Day
Monday, February 19th



Getting You Where You Need to Go!



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Fares are \$4.00 each way in-county and \$6.00 each way to or from Joliet.

To schedule your ride, give us a call at (888) 786-0862



Coming Soon:

Village of Minooka Citizen of the Year Award!

The Village of Minooka will present its inaugural "Citizen of the Year" Award at the 2024 State of the Village Address in order to begin honoring individuals who have, through their selfless giving of time and talent, positively affected Minooka and the lives of its residents. More details, including important dates, award guidelines, and nomination forms, will be posted on the Village's website and available at Village Hall in the coming weeks.

Minooka Community High School
Presents

**Incoming
Freshmen
NIGHT**

January 18, 2024

Session 1 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. • Session 2 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

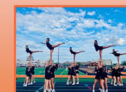
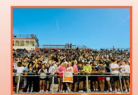
Session 1: MJHS (A-F), CJHS, Private School

Session 2: MJHS (G-Z), TMS, Private School

Please join Minooka Community High School as we invite you to our **Incoming Freshmen Night 2024!** This is your chance to get a sneak peek at South Campus and prepare for your next steps.

Learn About:

- Administration & Department Chairs
- Athletics & Activities
- School Counselors
- Registration
- School Hours & Class Schedules
- Course Selections
- Honors Information
- Special Education
- Student Services
- And more!



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Congratulations!

SEPTEMBER

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NOVEMBER

DECEMBER



*Laura McPhillips
Newcomb*



Molly Jacobsen



Mia Larson



Rylee Anderson



Rotary Club of Channahon-Minooka

ROTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Special Event:

The Great North American Eclipse: Adults & Children 10 years+

Tuesday, January 23, 6-7pm at Village of Minooka Community Room, 121 McEvelly Rd

There is an impressive solar eclipse coming April 8, 2024! Learn what eclipses are, where to see it, and when and how to look safely. Attendees will receive a pair of solar eclipse glasses. *Registration is required for this in-person program.*

Family and Youth Programs:

Homeschool Families Meet & Greet: All Ages

Monday, January 8, 2-3pm at Minooka Branch

Meet other homeschool families, learn about the resources offered by the library, and suggest new ideas for how the library can help in your schooling needs. Crafts for kids and coffee, juice, and cookies for all are provided.

Registration is required for this in-person program.

Drawing Club: 6-11 years

Fridays, January 12, 26, February 9 & 23,
4-5pm at Minooka Branch

Complete a drawing challenge, engage in free drawing, and show off your own artwork. *Registration is required for these in-person programs.*

Graphic Novel Club: Youth 7-11 years

Sundays, January 21 & February 11,
2-2:45pm at Minooka Branch

Talk about the month's selection, share your favorites, draw popular characters, and more. *Registration is required for these in-person programs.*

Yoga Kids: Youth 9 years+

Wednesdays, January 24 & February 21,
4:30-5:15pm at Minooka Branch

Learn basic yoga poses to help you stretch, breathe, and relax with Ms. Brenda. *Registration is required for these in-person programs.*

Family Mini Golf: Families

Saturday, February 24, 11am-4pm at Minooka Branch

Drop in during the program hours to play a game of mini golf in the library. *No registration is required.*

Adult Programs:

Three Rivers Book Club: Adults 18+

Wednesdays, January 3 & February 7, 7-8:30pm at Arrowhead Community Center, 24856 W Eames St, Channahon

Join us for lively discussions of contemporary literature. New members are welcome. January- *The Woman They Could Not Silence* by Kate Moore, February- *The First Ladies* by Marie Benedict. *No registration is required.*

Tiny Art Show: All Ages

Kit pickup begins January 2 at both library locations

Starting January 2, pick up a Tiny Art Kit from either location, then use the provided canvas to paint, draw, sew, and glue to create your art. Return your masterpiece by January 16 to be included in the show. Kits are available on a first-come, first-serve basis while supplies last. *No registration is required.*

Speculating about Our AI Future: Adults 18+

Thursday, January 11, 7-8pm via Zoom

Bestselling science fiction writers, Cory Doctorow, Ken Liu, and Martha Wells, discuss the promise, perils, and possible impacts that AI will have on our future, plus AI in contemporary and future science fiction writing. *Registration is required for this live virtual program.*

Genealogy Basics: Adults 18+

Thursdays, January 18 & February 15, 6-7:30pm at Minooka Branch

Librarian and Genealogist, Louise Svehla, demonstrates tools and resources to help you grow your family tree. January 18- Start Climbing Your Family Tree, February 15- Using Ancestry.com. *Registration is required for these in-person programs.*

Barbie®- America's Most Famous Doll: Adults 18+

Monday, January 22, 6-7pm via Zoom

Historian Leslie Goddard returns to delve into the history of America's most famous doll. *Registration is required for this live virtual program.*

Basics of Social Media: Adults 18+

Thursday, February 22, 6-7pm at Minooka Branch

What is a hashtag? What is a handle? How do you tag someone? What is a DM? Learn the answers to all these questions and more. *Registration is required for this in-person program.*

HOW DOES SALT MELT SNOW AND ICE?

Use Salt, But Be Salt Smart

Salt can play a key role in removing snow and ice to clear roads, parking lots, sidewalks, and driveways. However, using salt is not without consequence. Each year our local rivers and lakes are getting saltier and saltier. When rain falls on streets and other salted surfaces, it picks up the salt and brings it into storm drains that connect directly to rivers.

Winter road salt affects the water quality of these rivers and can even hurt the fish and aquatic insects that live there. That's why it's important to not use any more salt than is necessary to melt snow and ice.

Our Public Works optimizes the use of salt by performing the following:

- Clean snow from streets entirely before applying salt
- Wet the salt with liquid brine (or a stronger chemical if needed) as it comes out of the truck
- Pre-applies anti-icing liquid to high-risk routes and hills throughout the Village
- Monitors pavement temperature on when to apply salt and which chemical solution we should mix with salt as it leaves the truck.

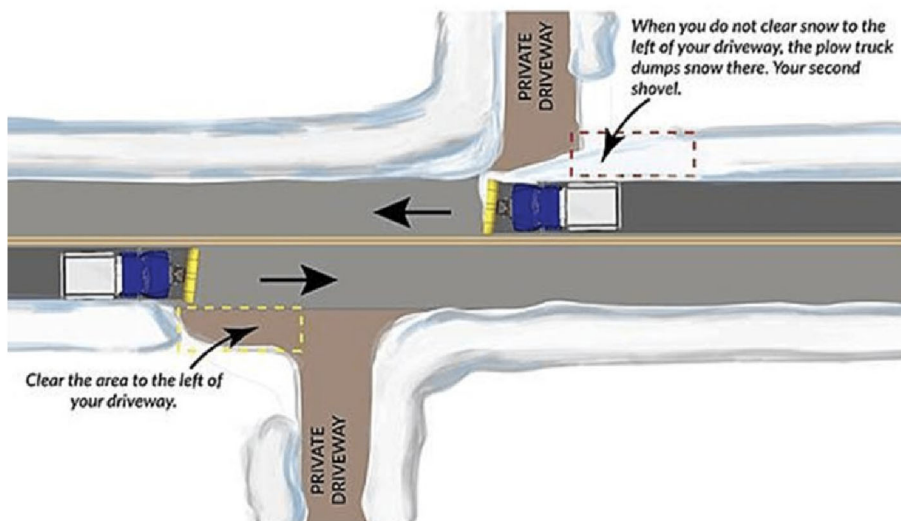
Key Takeaways:

- Salt works by lowering the freezing point of water.
- Sodium chloride becomes much less effective below 15 degrees. At low temperatures, it's best to switch to a deicer that contains magnesium chloride or calcium chloride.
- Be Salt Smart to limit your environmental impact. Use the amount of salt necessary to melt snow and ice. Don't go overboard — after a certain point, more salt doesn't mean more melting power.

Winter Driving Tips



How to Prevent the "Second Shovel"



MINOOKA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chaplain's Corner



Happy Being Year!

For the past few years I have been thinking about the difference between a human being and a human doing. What if, for 2024, we didn't look at the crossroads of a new year as an opportunity to make "resolutions," or to manage a list of changes that we are determined to do in 2024, but instead simply decided to become more of a human being and less of a human doing.

You know you are a human doing when you always say "yes" to... everything. Even if your "yes" is from a place of authentic care and helpfulness, you always say yes. In other words, a human doing does not embrace limits. The result: a near constant low level of anxiety or anger. You know you are a human-doing if you are short and impatient with people over little things. You have a limited capacity for grace and kindness because you have so much to do. For you, relationships can often get in the way, or be a nuisance.

Where do you take time to just... stop? To rest? To - quite literally - smell the roses? When are you quiet with yourself? I think the world can use some human beings right now. People who are at peace with their Creator and with themselves. The child whose birth we just finished celebrating once said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." In other words, "I know you are busy, tired and irritable. Why don't you seek me out? I can truly help you to be at peace."

Always willing to treat you to a cup of coffee to discuss this, or anything else on your mind: carlosgarcia@missionbible.church

Carlos Garcia, Chaplain

NEWS FROM WITHIN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

SCAM ALERTS

As we close out 2023 and look toward a productive, positive safe 2024. I want to inform you of some recent scams that our agency has been receiving that involves individuals claiming to be a member of the Minooka Police Department, Sheriff's Deputy or an FBI agent saying you must pay money via pre-paid/gift card because you or someone you know have an arrest warrant, DO NOT PAY! Hang up and immediately report the scam to www.ic3.gov and the Minooka Police Dept. The bottom line is this, ANYONE who wants you to pay money via pre-paid/gift card DO NOT PAY!!



AVOIDING TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

STOP! If you are thinking about leaving the roadway and traveling across a parking lot or other private property to avoid a red light or stop sign because you are in a hurry or impatient... Don't! This action is a moving violation of the Illinois vehicle code that could result in fines.



Winter Parking Notice

As the colder temperatures approach, so will the snow... I want to remind you of a Village ordinance of not parking your vehicle on the street during snowfall of 2" inches or more. A violation of this ordinance can result in a \$50.00 fine and the possibility of your vehicle being towed. Information on Village ordinances can be found on the Village of Minooka web page at www.minooka.com.



MINOOKA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



2024 FIRST AID, CPR, AND AED CLASS DATES

February 3
April 6
June 1
September 7
December 14

Classes are on Saturdays,
8am-12pm. Online registration is
open for the February class at
www.minookafire.com/cpr/
or scan the QR code





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THE VILLAGE CHRISTIAN CHURCH


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If you're not able to meet in person, you can view the Live service online at 9 and 10:30 am on Sundays 3 different ways: the Live Service Website <https://www.thevillagechristianchurch.com/the-village-live-online-campus>, YouTube Channel [youtube.com/c/TheVillageChristianChurch](https://www.youtube.com/c/TheVillageChristianChurch) or The Village Christian Church Facebook page. We encourage you to participate in the Live chats that are a part of service just as if you were there in person. If you can't watch live you can view at your convenience on any of these platforms. Check out [thevillagechristianchurch.com](https://www.thevillagechristianchurch.com) for more information.

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 The Village Christian Church

 8965 South Bell Road, Minooka Illinois 60447

Students - Check Out Pulse Evenings At The Village Christian Church - No Boring Here

We love our students at The Village. Pulse is our student youth group - a place where students meet Jesus, know Jesus, and share Jesus!

Pulse is a fun place, a place where students want to be, a place where students can connect, feel valued, and supported. Leaders and students support each other, encourage each other, and love each other because community is important.

Pulse 45 (grades 4 & 5) will begin meeting Wednesday, January 10 from 6:30-7:30 pm at the Minooka Campus.

Pulse Jr. (grades 6-8) and **Pulse Sr.** (high school) will begin meeting Sunday, January 7 from 6:30-8 pm at the Minooka Campus.

Check out [thevillagechristianchurch.com/students](https://www.thevillagechristianchurch.com/students) for more information.


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Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 pm

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February 14th - Ash Wednesday

Mass with Ash distribution: 6:30 am, 8:30 am, 4:45 pm, 6:30 pm

February 25th 8:00-11:00 am

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast: All are Welcome!

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SENIOR LUNCHEON "Forever Young"

On the third Wednesday of the month, we will hold a free luncheon at St. Mary's Minooka for ages 55 and better! Join us on February 21st at 11:30am. Make your reservation by calling 815-467-2322.

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Mission Minooka

Saturday 5:00 pm • Sunday 9:00/10:30 am • 412 N. Wabena in Minooka

Mission Morris (meeting at Saratoga School)

Sunday 9:30 am • 4040 N. Division St, Morris - Door #16

 [missionbible.church](https://www.missionbible.church)

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 412 N Wabena Ave, Minooka, IL 60447

GRUNDY COUNTY LAND USE

The Grundy County Land Use Department would like to thank all the residents, schools, and groups who donated gently used toys, books, games, stuffed animals, and other fun items to children in need this holiday season.

We were able to collect over 100 boxes of toys etc., 25 bags of stuffed animals, 6 bikes, and many large kitchen sets and baby equipment.

This year the toys were received and distributed by **Church of Hope, Gardner, St. Francis of Christ the King Monastery in Lemont, Arcadia Nursing Home, Morris**, and to **multiple churches** distributed by **Rotary International Chicago Branch**. We were all very fortunate to have **Park Pointe** clean and sanitize the stuffed animals that we received as well.

Finally, thanks to **Elf Beth** and **Santa Bob** from the Land Use Department who, without their care and dedication, this event would not have occurred.



The collection of items would not have occurred if we didn't have great partners in the libraries that collected:

Coal City Public Library - 85 N. Garfield, Coal City

Morris Public Library - 604 Liberty, Morris

Minooka Three Rivers Library - 109 N. Wabena, Minooka

Channahon Three Rivers Library - 25207 W. Channahon Drive, Channahon

Fossil Ridge Library - 386 W. Kennedy Road, Braidwood

Special thanks go to **River's Edge Academy** for all their help from the dedicated students on the day that **Rotary International** picked up the toys.



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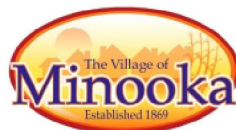
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February is American Heart Month

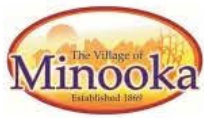


KIDS HEART CHALLENGE™



During the month of February, the elementary schools will be participating in the Kids Heart Challenge. This challenge is fun and exciting for our students as they learn about keeping their hearts healthy while raising money for the American Heart Association. The challenge starts with an epic fundraiser, so stay tuned and follow Minooka CCSD 201 on social media for more details.





Tips to Reduce Stormwater Runoff Pollution

- Use a commercial car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved surface to minimize the amount of dirty, soapy water flowing into the storm drain and eventually into your local water body.
- Recycle used oil and other automotive fluids at participating service stations. Don't dump these chemicals down the storm drain or dispose of them in your trash.
- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. Avoid application if the forecast calls for rain; otherwise, chemicals will be washed into your local stream.
- Sweep up yard debris, rather than hosing down areas. Compost or recycle yard waste when possible.
- Purchase and use nontoxic, biodegradable, recycled, and recyclable products whenever possible.
- Please remember to pick up pet waste. Leaving pet waste on ground increases public health risk.

The implementation of environmentally friendly household habits not only improve water quality, but provide cleaner and more aesthetically pleasing local water bodies and streams, enhanced recreation opportunities and healthier environment for residents and wildlife.

Review the additional materials below for more tips to prevent stormwater pollution.

[Stormwater Detention Basin Basics](#)

[Leaves And Storm Drains](#)

[Car Washing & Water Pollution](#)

[Car Maintenance And Preventing Leaks](#)

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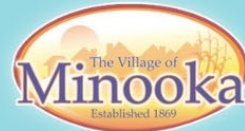
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CHANNAHON + MINOOKA VILLAGE CLEANUP



*Join your fellow residents and friends
in keeping our communities beautiful!*



**SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023
10:00 AM**

Volunteers will receive gloves, bags and a map with designated cleanup area. Lunch will be provided after at the Village of Minooka Community Room (121 McEvelly Rd, Minooka, IL 60447).

Thank you to Grainger of Minooka for sponsoring our efforts!



Please RSVP to jeff.lind@minooka.com by Monday, April 24, 2023

Walk-ups are also welcome.

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Good afternoon,

The Villages of Channahon and Minooka have decided to cancel tomorrow's Cleanup due to the weather forecast. We very much appreciate everyone who signed up and wish we could have had the event. Thank you as well to our partners at Grainger for again volunteering and offering to provide supplies. We hope to have a similar event in the future.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out. Thanks so much, and take care,

Jeff

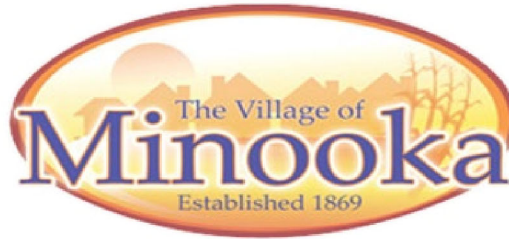
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**NOTICE OF MEETING - VILLAGE OF MINOOKA
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
Chairman Barry Thompson**

**121 E. MCEVILLY ROAD, MINOOKA, ILLINOIS
Tuesday, March 19, 2024 – 6:00 PM –
Or immediately following Parks & Recreation
(Village Hall Board Room)**

AGENDA

1. Public Forum
2. Superintendents Report
 - Water
 - Sewer
 - WWTP equipment replacement program update
 - Streets
 - Parks
3. Engineers Report
 - Project schedule updates
 - NPDES MS4 update
4. Pay request #8 (partial) for I-80 North utilities extension project (\$136,274.77)
5. FY2025 de-icing salt purchase contract
6. McEvelly Road IGA amendment #1
7. McEvelly Road phase 1 engineering
8. McLindon Road at CSX proposal
9. Emergency repairs for Wells 6 & 7
10. Pay request #1 (partial) & #2 (final) for the heater replacement and installation at WWTP (\$23,300)
11. Miscellaneous
12. Adjournment



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Village of Minooka, IL is with The Village Christian Church.

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A big thank you to The Village Christian Church for your time and effort on keeping Bell Road litter free. If your organization is interested in our Adopt-A-Highway program, please contact the Public Works department at 815-467-8868 ext. 3180.



Community Events

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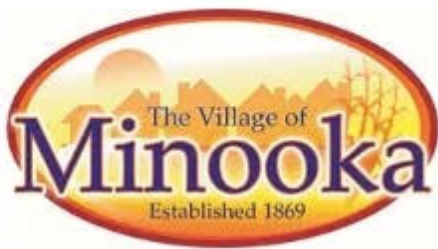
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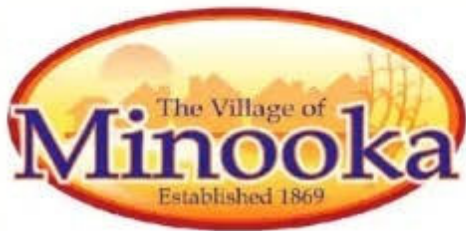
Community Events +

Village Hall Meetings +

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	1	2	3	4 10:00 am Community Events Channahon and Minooka Village Cleanup
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Unlimited Garbage Pickup



UNLIMITED GARBAGE PICKUP

Monday, May 13th - Friday, May 17th

The Village of Minooka has partnered with NuWay Disposal to offer an unlimited garbage pickup!

All garbage must be at the curb by 5:00 AM on your normal pickup day *only* !

**To ensure the safety of our Disposal Service team,
Please place all loose debris into large, heavy duty garbage bags.**

- **Additional refuse must be bagged or placed in a can not exceeding 32 gallons or 50 lbs.**
- **Loose items such as carpet should be bundled with twine, no more than 4 ft. in length.**
- **Place extra items at least 2 ft from the garbage/recycling totes. Do not place items between the tote and the curb.**
- **Up to 4 automobile tires, without rims, will be accepted.**
- **Up to 2 white goods (refrigerator, washer, dryer, etc) will be accepted.**
- **Hazardous materials (batteries, gasoline, motor oil, etc.) will NOT be accepted.**
- **Electronics (television, computers, cell phones, etc.) will NOT be accepted.**
- **Construction material will NOT be accepted**



For more info, please visit www.Minooka.com or www.mydisposal.com



2023 Rain Barrel Event

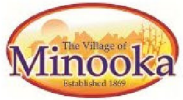


The Village of Minooka is hosting a rain barrel event. Rain barrels can be delivered to your home or be picked up at the Public Works Department. A \$10 rain barrel subsidy is available to the first 50 Village of Minooka residents who pay Village of Minooka water fees and purchase a rain barrel through this event. The \$10 subsidy can only be used towards the cost of the rain barrel and will be applied at the time of the purchase for those who qualify. (Limit 1 subsidized rain barrel per household).

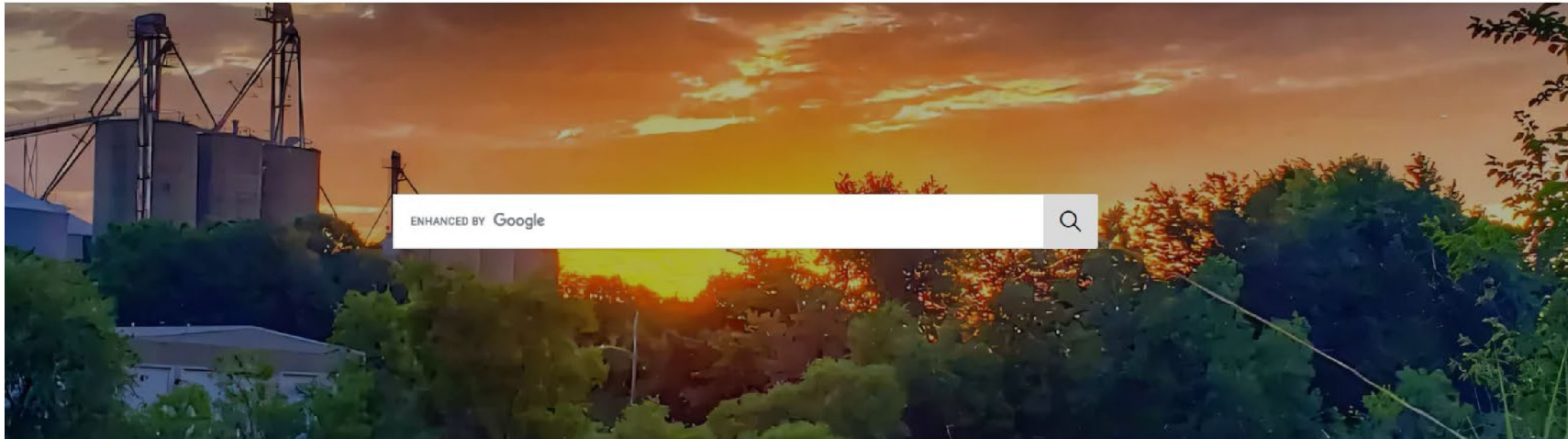
Rain barrel pick up will occur on Monday – June 26, 2023, at the Public Works Department which is located at 608 Twin Rail Dr. in Minooka. Pick-up times are from 10am to 5pm. Proof of purchase is required for pick-up.

For more information and to purchase a rain barrel follow the link:

<https://upcycle-products.com/il-programs/mka/>



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