



NEW LENOX

VILLAGER

NEW BUILDING COMING TO CHERRY HILL BUSINESS PARK

Northern Builders has submitted plans for a new building to be constructed along the west side of Gougar Road, south of Berens Drive. Construction will begin this summer, with a target completion date of May, 2022. The 1.159-million square foot building will be the largest industrial building constructed in the Village of New Lenox. Northern Builders began the first phase of the Cherry Hill Business Park in 2002, and has expanded the business park over the last 20 years, constructing buildings both in New Lenox and the City of Joliet. The future tenant or tenants is not known at this time, and will join businesses including Michaels Distribution Center, NGL Logistics, Quad Plus, Titan Steel, Up at Dawn Bakery, the Village of New Lenox Public Works Department, and many others that make Cherry Hill Business Park the premier location along the I-80 corridor.



northern Builders, Inc. CHERRY HILL BUSINESS PARK CONCEPT ARCHITECTURAL RENDERING CHERRY HILL BUSINESS PARK

CHIEF BUILDING INSPECTOR WARREN RENDLEMAN RETIRING AFTER SERVING THE VILLAGE FOR 35 YEARS

Warren Rendleman was appointed the Village Building Inspector/Engineering Technician on November 20, 1985. The population in the Village was approximately 7,700 at that time. During his 35-year tenure with the Village, Warren has reviewed plans and issued permits for nearly 6,000 new single-family homes; numerous townhomes and condominiums; major commercial and industrial projects such as Target, Lowe's, Wal-Mart, two Jewel Food Stores, Silver Cross Hospital, and the industrial buildings in Cherry Hill Business Park; and countless signs, sheds, decks, fences, room additions and swimming pools. The Village's current population is estimated at 28,000. Everything

that has been constructed in the Village over the last 35 years has been reviewed by Warren to some extent, ensuring that structures are built to the most current codes and ordinances and meet the high standards set by the Mayor and Village Board.

Warren grew up in Joliet. He became a Certified Building Official in 1991, a Master Code Official in 1997, and a Master Code Professional in 2007. Warren has worked for four mayors and three village administrators. He served as President of the International Code Council in 1993 and President of the Illinois Protective Officials Conference in 1999. The quality of development in New Lenox is a testament to Warren's knowledge and professionalism. Warren is also a resident of the Village, and he and his wife raised their two daughters in New Lenox. The Mayor, Village Board, and Village Staff thank Warren for his service to our community, and wish him a happy retirement.

RPZ SURVEY AND INSPECTIONS

As a reminder, all RPZ's need to be inspected and tested once a year by a certified backflow device inspector. This is mandated by the EPA, and the Village will continue to enforce these rules. Thank you to all who had theirs tested last year. All residents who have an RPZ or backflow prevention device will be receiving a reminder later from BSI to have their device tested. BSI, from Worth, IL is the company the Village has contracted to maintain our database. **ALL DEVICES MUST BE TESTED BY JUNE 1st OR JULY 1st**, depending on the due date in your letter. Failure to have your device inspected will result in service to your home being discontinued.

If you choose not to have your device tested, you must cut and cap your sprinkler system. It must then be inspected by Village personnel.

You can find more information on these policies at <http://www.newlenox.net/backflow>. Residents may also email BSI-support@backflow.com or call (888) 966-6050 with additional questions.



Village Officials

- Timothy Baldermann / Mayor
- Laura Zilinskas / Village Clerk
- Annette Bowden / Trustee
- David Butterfield / Trustee
- Douglas Finnegan / Trustee
- Jasen Howard / Trustee
- Keith Madsen / Trustee
- David Smith / Trustee
- Kurt T. Carroll / Village Administrator

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Village Meeting Dates

Village Board Meetings: Second and fourth Monday of each month at 7pm
Council of the Whole Meetings: Third Monday of each month at 7pm
Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals: First and third Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

All meetings are held in the Village Council Chambers at the Village Hall.

Agendas for Village Board and Plan Commission meetings are posted at the Village Hall.

Village Board meetings air on New Lenox Channel 6 starting the day after the meeting.

New Lenox Village Hall

1 Veterans Parkway
New Lenox, IL 60451
815.462.6400
Hours: Mon. thru Fri. 8:30am-5:00pm

www.newlenox.net

WHAT ARE THOSE FLAGS DOING ON MY PROPERTY?

Have you ever seen those colored flags on or near your property and wondered “what’s going on”? Flags in the easement area typically mean there will be some kind of excavation in the near future. This doesn’t necessarily mean it’s a Village project, or that the Village knows what was called in. Major utilities, as well as residents call for **J.U.L.I.E.** locates daily without having to notify the Village. Colored flags indicate what’s been identified below from a locate. **Red** - Electric; **Yellow** - Gas, Oil or Petroleum; **Orange** - Communications; **Blue** - Potable Water; **Purple** - Reclaimed Water, Irrigation; **Green** - Sewer; **White** - Proposed Excavation; and **Pink** - Temporary Survey.

You’ll know what’s below by the different flags, stakes or paint.



For instance, if Comcast is burying telecommunication lines near your easement area they notify **J.U.L.I.E.** Comcast called in the initial locate and all other utilities, including the Village, are required to respond and mark their appropriate underground structures within 2 business days and mark their lines with different colored flags. Therefore, you may see multi colored flags in the area, each color representing a different utility. The Village underground structures typically consist of water, sanitary lines, storm sewer, sump pump lines, and street lights. Keep in mind, the company calling in the initial request does not offer information to the Village as to what kind of job they are scheduling. Therefore, unless it’s a Village project we have no information as to what the job pertains to. **A curious homeowner is best served contacting J.U.L.I.E. themselves at 800-892-0123 for information they are seeking.**

J.U.L.I.E. stands for **J**oint **U**tility **L**ocating **I**nformation for **E**xcavators. The mission of **J.U.L.I.E.** is to provide Illinois excavators and underground utility facility owners with a continuously improving one-call message processing and damage prevention education service for the safety and protection of underground facilities and the community. *JULIE neither owns nor marks underground lines, however they alert utility companies so they can mark your property for safe digging.* You may be surprised by what’s buried in your yard. That’s because most electric, gas, water, sewer and telecommunications companies are delivering utility services underground.

Across the country, every nine minutes an underground utility line is damaged because someone decided to dig without calling a one-call center such as **J.U.L.I.E.** first. If you plan to dig in any part of your property, call 811 beforehand to avoid potential injury, utility line damage and disruption of service to you or your neighbors. Be safe, call **J.U.L.I.E.** first. Simply go online 24/7 to illinois1call.com or call 811 or 800-892-0123 at least two business days in advance.



MOSQUITO ABATEMENT PROGRAM



Most of us have had the experience of being driven indoors because mosquitoes have decided it was time to make their presence known. In addition to being a nuisance, mosquitoes can also carry disease, in turn posing a major health threat.

Along with other villages and cities in our region, over the course of the last several years, our attention has turned to the issue of West Nile Virus. West Nile is transmitted to people only through the bite of a mosquito that has obtained the virus by feeding on an infected bird. This virus typically causes mild flu-like symptoms including mild fever, headaches, skin rashes and swollen glands. However, the virus in its most advanced form may cause encephalitis, which is a dangerous inflammation of the brain and spinal cord. The risk of serious illness is greatest for people age 55 and older or those with impaired immune systems.

Early each June, larvicide tablets are placed in storm-sewer inlets, catch basins, retention ponds, and other areas that hold water for extended periods of time. These tablets are effective for up to 180-days, are non-toxic, and eliminate potential breeding sites for mosquitos.

Mosquito spraying in the Village is activated when the Will County Health Department notifies us of high larvae numbers tested weekly in designated areas. The product used for mosquito fogging contains pyrethrin’s, which are naturally found in chrysanthemum flowers. This product, which has been registered for use by the EPA since 1975, has gone under rigorous testing and is still one of the few approved products for outdoor residential and recreational areas. The Village Staff assigned to our Mosquito Abatement Program are fully licensed and certified by the State of Illinois’ Department of Agriculture.

Residents who would like to be informed the day we spray in their neighborhood can call the Public Works Department at (815) 215-4800 and we will be happy to place them on our notification list where they will receive a phone call the evening we plan to spray in their area.

FIGHT THE BITE!

Help protect yourself and others from mosquito bites by reducing potential breeding sites around your home. (Village code defines the collection of untreated water where mosquitoes breed or are likely to breed as a nuisance and a danger to public health.)

- Install or repair window and door screens so that mosquitoes cannot get indoors.
- Repair leaky outdoor faucets.
- Eliminate standing water around your home such as ruts and puddles.
- Remove old tires, tin cans and buckets and change the water in birdbaths at least once a week.
- Keep gutters clear of debris.
- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well-trimmed around your home.

Learn more about the West Nile Virus and the mitigation efforts throughout Will County at <https://willcountyhealth.org/west-nile-mosquito-mitigation/>

SPRINKLING INFORMATION

Between **May 15th** and **September 15th** of each year, sprinkling and watering of lawns shall be permitted for properties with **ODD** number postal addresses on **ODD**



numbered calendar days, and at properties with **EVEN** numbered postal addresses on **EVEN** numbered calendar days. Lawn watering and sprinkling with water supplied by the Village water system is permitted only between the hours of **7:00am** and **11:00am** and **7:00pm** and **11:00pm** irrespective of the time of the year. Residents who fail to follow these guidelines are subject to fines up to \$750 per infraction.

Emergency Restrictions

The Village of New Lenox purchases Lake Michigan Water from the Village of Oak Lawn. Should drought conditions or other water supply emergencies occur, the Village of Oak Lawn may notify the Village of New Lenox to impose emergency restrictions. Should this be necessary, we ask that residents cooperate in seeing that we have enough water for fire protection, domestic, and other necessary uses. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Public Works Department at (815) 215-4800.

Under emergency circumstances or extended drought conditions, water usage may be restricted as defined below:

Tier 1 (conservation emergency)

Sprinkling or irrigation of lawns or gardens shall be permitted only on an odd/ even basis between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. (evening watering is not allowed under this restriction)

Tier II (total ban)

Sprinkling or irrigation of lawns or gardens (manually or by an automatic lawn sprinkler or irrigation system) is prohibited.

Tips on Conserving Water and Having a Healthy Lawn

- Water deeply NOT frequently. Your lawn will be healthier if it receives around 1" of water every 3 – 4 days. Providing more will over-saturate the soil, causing water to run-off.
- Make sure you are watering your lawn and not the pavement. Water that falls on sidewalks or streets goes into our sewer system, running up your water bill and wasting water.
- Use a rain gauge. Rain gauges will tell you how much rain fell, and how much more water, if any, you should add by sprinkling.
- Sprinklers are available with dials that can be set to water specific amounts. Check your local hardware store or garden center for them.
- If you have an automatic system, make sure it has a rain meter installed. This will prevent the system from running during rainstorms.

Additional information about lawn care and maintenance can be found at the University of Illinois Extension web site www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/lawntalk.

TIPS ON PREVENTING SEWER PROBLEMS

In the Village of New Lenox the homeowner is responsible for their sanitary service from their house until connection to the sewer main. The Village maintains the network of sewer mains that take the sewage to one of our 3 treatment plants.



A clog in a service line or a sewer main can cause sewage to back up into your home. This can be a devastating experience. To help reduce the risk of sewer back-ups in the Village's mains we maintain a cleaning, inspection and repair program. A high-pressure sewer jetter is used to clean the lines and a mainline camera to inspect the lines.

Repair work is either done in house or contracted out based on cost effectiveness.

To protect your property from sewage back-ups, follow the rules below:

DO NOT

- Pour grease, fats and oils from cooking down the drain.
- Use the sewer to dispose of food scraps, baby wipes, diapers and personal hygiene products.
- Dispose of chemicals down the drain or toilet. Chemicals can kill "good" bacteria used for sewage treatment, cost much more to treat and could enter the creek.
- Plant trees near your sewer lateral. Tree roots seek water sources and can penetrate cracks or separated joints in your service line.
- Connect your sump pump or gutter downspouts to the sewer system, this can cause the sewer system to become overloaded and back-up into your home. It is also an ordinance violation.

DO'S

- Call the Village FIRST if you believe you have a sewer backup.
- Collect grease in a container and dispose of it in the garbage.
- Place food scraps, baby wipes, diapers and personal hygiene products in your regular garbage.

Some Additional Tips

- If you know you have roots in your service line have them cut out regularly by a licensed plumber.
- For additional protection an ejector pit with a check valve can be installed in your basement.

The sewer department is available 24/7 365. Any time you suspect a sewer issue, call the Village first to determine if the problem is located in the sewer main or your service line. During normal business hours you can call Public Works at (815) 215-4800. If your issue occurs after normal hours you can call the Village non-emergency number (815) 485-2500 and an employee will contact you.

FREE FALLS PREVENTION CLASS OFFERED FOR OLDER ADULTS – "A MATTER OF BALANCE: MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS"

The New Lenox Safe Community Coalition is offering a FREE "A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls" class as follows: **July 12, 2021 thru August 4, 2021 (Mondays and Wednesdays) from 9:30am – 11:30am at the New Lenox Village Hall, 1 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, IL 60451 *Covid safety protocols observed***

For additional information or to register, please contact Daniel Martin, Safe Community Coordinator, (815) 462-6493 or via email at dmartin@newlenox.net

Have you turned down a chance to go out with family or friends because you were concerned about falling? Have you cut down on a favorite activity because you might fall? If so, "A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls" is a program for you!

Fear of falling can be just as dangerous as falling itself. People who develop this fear often limit their activities, which can result in severe physical weakness, making the risk of falling even greater. Many older adults also experience increased isolation and depression when they limit their interactions with family and friends. "A Matter of Balance" can help people improve their quality of life and remain independent. "A Matter of Balance" is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Participants learn to set realistic goals to increase activity, change their environment to reduce fall risk factors, and learn simple exercises to increase strength and balance.

Seating is limited so please register today to reserve your seat!



A MATTER OF BALANCE
MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS

COMING SOON

- **Cardinal Surgical Associates**
678 Cedar Crossings Drive (on the second floor of the Endoscopy Center by the Silver Cross Hospital Campus). General surgeon's consulting office which performs basic procedures in the office, e.g., wound care, mole removal. Tentative open date: September 1, 2021.
- **Dermatology Associates** 420 Nelson Road (in the same plaza with Buffalo Wild Wings). Will provide general dermatology care to patients. Tentative open date: October 1, 2021.



OPEN NOW

- **All About the K-9** 1921 Ferro Drive (in a strip mall on the northeast corner of Gougar Road and Ferro Drive). An obedience dog training facility with most of the training for the average pet owner. Competition obedience training is offered. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/All-About-The-K-9-100904061882417> or email allabouttheknine@gmail.com.
- **Janice Fletcher, LCPC** 1938 E. Lincoln Hwy, Suite 203 is a counselling office. Contact: 815-263-6090.
- **Melissa Pansa** 278 E. Lincoln Hwy., Suite 111 (inside Studio 10 Suites). Full service salon offering color, cuts, conditioning, waxing, and chemical services to all ages. Contact: 708-308-3179.
- **Salon One Eleven South** 278 E. Lincoln Hwy., Suite 111. (inside Studio 10 Suites) Full service hair salon offering cuts, color, and extensions, etc. Phone: 708-825-6043.
- **SIMOS** 12648 Old Plank Dr. Corporate teams are available which service customer distribution, fulfillment, reverse logistics and/or manufacturing locations. SIMOS employees work with clients to increase productivity and maintain quality on a cost per unit and/or performance-based pricing. Website: <https://simossolutions.com>.
- **Tablets Pharmacy** 222 Stone Court (turn east on Gougar Road and Ferro Drive). Contact 815-666-1113. Website: <https://tabletsrx.com>.
- **VINO** 647 E. Lincoln Hwy. (located in the strip mall with MOD Pizza and Chipotle on Route 30). Wine bar with video gaming. Contact: 779-803-5933. <https://www.facebook.com/VinoNewLenox>.
- **Whitehead Counseling Services** 305 Vine St., Suite 201B (across the street from the U.S. Post Office). <https://liz-whitehead.clientsecure.me/> (contact through website).



THANKS FOR SHOPPING LOCAL DURING "BRING ON SPRING"

The Village and the New Lenox Chamber of Commerce co-hosted the "Bring on Spring" marketing promotion for local, small businesses in the Village between May 1st and May 8th. Based on survey results received from many of the 26 participants, businesses received more customers thanks to our supportive residents. The Village and Chamber value all local businesses and appreciate it when residents do the same.



RESTAURANT WEEK IS COMING – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Based on feedback from restaurant owners and residents, Restaurant Week is the most popular marketing promotion that is co-hosted by Village and Chamber of Commerce. Mark your calendars for September 7th through September 14th. Restaurants who decide to participate this year will offer either 20% off, buy one get something free, or a special offer during this week. Restaurant Week allows residents to take off a week from cooking while enjoying local discounts and specials at old favorites or establishments that have never been tried.



CHALK WALK

Chalk Walk is returning to the Village Commons on Saturday, July 31st from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Come and create a masterpiece in the with sidewalk chalk. This event is open to everyone including families, students, professional and aspiring artists - all who are interested are welcome! To participate at this event as an artist, please register for a space in advance at www.newlenox.net/events. If creating a work of art isn't for you, then join us to stroll through the Commons enjoying the art and food from the concession stand.



CRUISE THE COMMONS

Bring your car, truck, Jeep, or motorcycle out to the Village Commons on July 20th, August 17th, and September 21st to put it on display for Cruise the Commons. Not a vehicle owner? Then join us to catch some tunes (courtesy of CK & The Gray in July, Hard Vinyl in August, and Wavelength in September), grab a cold drink, and check out the vehicles on site. Food will be available for sale from the concession stand and various food trucks will be featured at each event. Full details can be found at www.newlenox.net/events.



FRIDAYS AFTER FIVE

Fridays After Five brings food trucks and live music to the Village Commons for a relaxing way to welcome the weekend. This event will be held July 16th, August 13th, and September 3rd, from 5:30pm to 9:00pm. With a full line-up of food trucks, you'll find something to satisfy every member of your group. Live music will be held at each event as well, with Not Dead Yet in July, The Walk Ins in August, and Midlife Crisis in September. Check out the list of participating trucks and full details on the events at www.newlenox.net/events.



MOVIE NIGHTS

Come join us for our Movie Nights in the Village Commons. Movies are shown every Wednesday through August 11th. Movies begin at dusk (approximately 8:30pm). Concessions are available for sale. To view the movie line up and additional information go to www.newlenox.net/events.



LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies Night Out brings an evening of shopping, food, and entertainment to the Village Commons on Friday, August 20th. The event takes place from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. Enjoy live music from River Road Trio while you shop from our featured vendors. If you are interested in becoming a vendor for this event or are looking for additional information about the night, visit www.newlenox.net/events.

