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A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SUZANNE FAHNESTOCK

Message from President Suzanne Fahnestock...

State of the Village of Maple Park 2022

The Village of Maple Park continues to be a great place to live, work, and play. In 2022, the Village had a very busy year improving our corner of the world through the planning and hard work of the Village Board, Planning and Zoning Commission, staff, residents, and Village President.

One of the greatest accomplishments of 2022 has been the work on a new water tower. The Village has been working towards the goal of adding a second water tower for the purpose of increased water pressure and capacity as the Village grows. The planning process and work in 2022 included securing the funding for the new water tower and completing surveys and soil boring for the site. The Village is working to bid the project by April of 2023 and start work on the new tower as early as May 2023. The planning process included the annexation of approximately 85.77 acres of property into the Village and the expansion of the Tax Increment Finance District to include the water tower site. Continuing with the theme of water, the Village also made improvements to the wastewater treatment plant in 2022 and is planning to use \$100,000 from the American Rescue Plan to install a new generator and security fencing at the water treatment plant in 2023.

The Village made several improvements to the landscaping, grounds, signage, and parks. The Village installed a water stratification system at the Memorial Park retention pond in Heritage Hill Estates to improve the water quality and viability for fish. The Village upgraded the landscape and installed a new Village Hall sign at the Maple Park Civic Center. The Village added two new Village of Maple Park signs along Illinois Route 38 to the east and west of the Village to welcome visitors. Lastly, the Village completed a survey of the newly acquired open space between the townhomes and Union Ditch to develop a plan to fix and better maintain the area.

The Village continues to plan and work towards a crosswalk for County Line Road and make plans to repair Pearl Street. The survey and planning for a crosswalk at Dekalb Drive and County Line Road is complete, and we are preparing for a tentative start on the crosswalk in April of 2023. The bid for repairs to Pearl Street will be going out soon and resurfacing is expected to begin as early as May and be completed in August 2023.

Among other accomplishments, the Village added a new Police Chief, David Krull, to the staff in early 2022, and Liz Peerboom as the Village Clerk. The Village completed the first two of five areas of televising of the stormwater and sanitary sewer systems, replaced the roof on the Public Works garage, submitted a grant application to the Kane County Community Development Block Grant for improvements to Maple Avenue, and hosted a vaccination clinic with the Visiting Nurse Association for Flu and Covid shots.

I am proud of the work that the Village has accomplished and thankful for the Trustees and staff's hard work and dedication. As we begin 2023, I am encouraged and excited about the year ahead and eager to get started.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year!

Suzanne Fahnestock
Village President