

# Village of Sand Lake

October 2021



## Presidents Report

It has been a busy month with reviewing & updating forms. The council has updated and accepted new event forms that the event committee worked on these past couple of months.

I have researched into a donation form & policy for the council to review. This will assure all donations are on file and have a policy to go along with donations.

We have our first Planning Commission meeting October 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm.

Our parks and rec committee has met and discussed possible placement of the playground equipment that was donated.

We are actively working on ordinances to update them to be more current.

I would like to look to the future in the office. Updating internet speed, phone service, and software can bring more efficiency to those who work in the office. Also looking into updating current website to be more user friendly, and a more secure emailing service.

The Jr Eagles hosted the Harvest of Hope on the 10<sup>th</sup>, that was a great success. Thank you to the Jr Eagles for raising money and non-perishables to the local helping hands in Howard City. I was glad to be able to help and attend this event.

The Sand Lake Chamber of commerce handed out cider, donuts, and pumpkins this past Saturday. Also, don't forget to bring those pumpkins back for the trunk or treat the chamber will be hosting in Salisbury Park the 30<sup>th</sup>. Thank you, Mollie Doerr

### **New column: Ask the President**

Email the President with your questions you would like answered.

### **Life in the Department of Public Works**

We hope you had a good summer and are enjoying the fall colors as we transition into the autumn season.

We are continuing to stay busy with many things including mowing & trimming, brush pick up, patching potholes, monthly testing on our stand generators, flushing hydrants, and monthly bacteriological testing just to name a few.

We have also been busy with collecting our annual water samples, locating and exercising some water main valves and checking flow rates in various water mains.

We have had the standby generator at the wellhouse serviced and it is now running efficiently and ready in case of a power outage.

Please try to have your leaves raked in piles parallel with roadway and on road edge.

In service to you,

Bill & Ryan

# Fire Department:

## Community service:

The Fire Department participated in the following parades: Cedar Springs, Howard city, & Trufant. Provided equipment for the Jr eagles Harvest Day on October 10, 2021. Attended the Ensley Crime Watch and received a check for \$3000.00 (Equipment Fund)

## Clerk's Report

Much of my month was spent working on things that were approved at the last meeting. Some fun examples would be looking into website designers and updating on the current website.

Some of the other big things going on in the office would be computer issues are starting to be ironed out. With the help of our IT company things are starting to get figured out. They are working on escalating the matter with BS&A and ITright and have narrowed down some things. I have also helped the accounting firm go over deposits that were never entered into the Villages accounting program in 2020.

This was a month of exciting things happening around the Village. I took part in the Harvest of Hope that the Jr Eagles put on and I do have to say it was a fun event for the community! I again want to thank the Jr Eagles for not only putting it on but allowing myself to help out.

## Treasurer Report

2021 Summer Village of Sand Lake

Property taxes that have gone past due were sent to Kent County, please call Kent County Treasurer at (616) 632-7500 or pay online at [accesskent.com](http://accesskent.com)

## Reminders:

The Village offices are open Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm

Leaf pick up as needed.

Next regular meeting will be held on November 15, 2021