



Village of Riverside

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Village Board Meetings

All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m.
(unless otherwise noted)

June 3, June 17

July 1, July 15

Advisory Board & Commission Meetings

June

08 Landscape Advisory 7:00

10 Preservation Comm 7:00

14 Riverside TV Comm. 7:00

21 Historical Comm. 7:00

23 Planning and Zoning 7:00

24 Code Enforcement 5:15

24 Police Adjudication 6:00

July

08 Economic Development, 7:00

12 Riverside TV Comm., 7:00

13 Landscape Advisory, 7:00

19 Historical Commission, 7:00

19 Parks & Recreation, 7:00

22 Code Enforcement, 5:15

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28 Planning and Zoning, 7:00

Due to COVID-19, meetings may be held by Zoom. Please call 708-447-2700 ext. 254 to confirm the meeting you wish to attend.



Time to Renew Vehicle and Pet Licenses

Riverside vehicle stickers and pet tags are now available for purchase. Vehicle and pet licenses renew annually on June 30. There will be no over-the-counter sales of vehicle or pet licenses this year due to current social distancing requirements. **Once you have received your renewal paperwork in the mail, please visit the Village website to purchase your vehicle stickers and pet licenses online.** This conven-



ient option is now available for renewals, new vehicles and pet licenses. Hover over the "PAY" link on the homepage to select the appropriate option and start your online transaction. You may also leave your paperwork and a check in the silver lock box in front of the building or mail in your paperwork and payment. Whether you renew online, by phone, by mail or through the drop box, we will mail your stickers and tags to you, even if you come into the office to pay. The purpose of this change in procedure is to prevent a situation where people are standing in line in close proximity to one another.

COVID-19 Updates

Many Riverside residents have already received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine, but not everyone is vaccinated yet. With this in mind, the Cook County Department of Public Health still recommends continued wearing of masks indoors in public spaces, social distancing and frequent hand washing. These recommendations apply even to those who are already vaccinated as all of these simple public health measures are effective in slowing the spread of the virus. All residents of Cook County are now eligible to receive the vaccine.



If you are not yet vaccinated, and wish to receive the vaccine, please visit vaccine.cookcountyil.gov anytime or call 833-308-1988, Monday—Friday from 7am-10pm or Saturday from 8am-10pm to schedule an appointment. The vaccine is free. No insurance is required. There is no out-of-pocket expense.

Home vaccination appointments are also now available to those who qualify. To qualify for a home vaccination appointment, you must meet one of the following criteria:

- ◆ Over age 65
- ◆ Have a disability
- ◆ Use adaptive equipment such as a ventilator, crutches, a walker or wheel chair
- ◆ Unable to leave home because it is too difficult
- ◆ Reside in suburban Cook County

It takes two weeks for most people to develop maximum immunity to the virus.

News from the Landscape Advisory Commission

The Landscape Advisory Commission is excited to announce the release of an updated edition of "Landscaping in a Landmark Village". This online guide offers tips on how to achieve garden success in the growing conditions here in Riverside. Special topics include: why Riverside's historic landscape is so unique, lists of plants for birds and butterflies, benefits of native plants and more. There will be inspiration for new and experienced gardeners alike. Please visit the village website to view or download a copy of this helpful resource! You may also stop by the office to request a printed copy.



Sign Up for Email Notifications Today!

Please visit the new village website at www.riverside.il.us and click on **Connect** to sign up for the **Riverside Alert System**, create an account in **Riverside Responds** or sign up for **Email Notifications** for upcoming meetings and community events.

A Return to In Person Meetings and Events

With the expectation that the vaccination rate will continue to increase and the COVID positivity rate will continue to decrease, village board and commission meetings will return to an in person format in June and July. Please consult the village website or call the office to confirm the meeting format if you wish to participate or attend. All meetings of the Village Board of Trustees are broadcast live on Riverside TV and streamed live on the Riverside TV website. A new village president and two new village trustees were elected in April. Joseph Ballerine began a 4 year term as Village President on May 6, 2021, along with newly elected Village Trustees Megan Claucherty and Aberdeen Marsh-Ozga. Incumbent Village Trustee Douglas Pollock was reelected to another 4 year term.

Annual RPZ Inspection Reports due July 1

The deadline to submit RPZ inspection reports to the Department of Public Works is July 1. In order to meet state mandates, the Department of Public Works keeps a list of all residences with underground lawn irrigation (sprinkler) systems. By law, any homeowner with underground lawn irrigation is required to have a reduced pressure backflow preventer (RPZ) and have it inspected annually. The purpose of the annual inspection is to ensure that no contaminated water will flow back into the village's potable water supply.



Residents should report their sprinkler systems upon installation and a Right-of-Way Encroachment Waiver should be executed. If you need to report your property's sprinkler system or complete the waiver, please call the Department of Public Works at 708-442-3590. If your lawn sprinkling system has been disconnected, please call to set up an appointment for a disconnect inspection. The annual RPZ inspection is required under the State of Illinois Plumbing Code 890.1130 (c). A certified copy of the report must be on file with the Village of Riverside. The Department of Public Works is authorized to discontinue water service to properties whose owners fail to submit an RPZ inspection report. The Public Works Department recommends that residents perform regular maintenance to sprinkler systems to avoid waste and maximize water use. Residents should also be aware of where sprinkler heads are aimed to avoid watering the pavement, set timers and use a rain shutoff device.

Exciting News from the Parks & Recreation Department

The Parks & Recreation Department has relocated to their new facility at 43 E. Quincy Street! The Village purchased the property in Autumn of 2019 and made significant interior improvements to the building in 2020. The new space will allow the department to offer expanded programming including early childhood and active adult/senior classes. The facility is ADA compliant which will allow the department to host West Suburban Special Recreation Association (WSSRA) programming. The facility will also be available for rental as community meeting and event space and staff will assist with planning and hosting gatherings at the facility if requested.

The Department is also excited to announce the return of several much loved summer events:

- ◆ The Riverside **Farmers Market** starts Wednesday, June 2 and will be held each Wednesday afternoon from 2:30—7:00 p.m. through October 6 at the Historic Water Tower.
- ◆ The **Riverside Ride** and **Fishing Derby** will be held on Saturday, June 5
- ◆ The **RAW Spectacle** will be held June 12 & 13 at the Riverside Train Station. There will be no art fair this year, but the community art project will be on public display all weekend.
- ◆ Riverside's Independence Day 5K is now the **Friends of the Fourth 5K** and will be held on Saturday, June 26. The race route remains the same, but the name and date of the event have changed.
- ◆ Because July 4th falls on a Sunday this year, the **Independence Day parade** will be held on Saturday, July 3, and the parade route will be lengthened to allow more room for spectators.

Camp ReVamp Season 2

Spend your summer with Riverside Parks & Recreation as we explore nature, teambuilding, and laugh along the way with Camp ReVamp! Register your PreK – Kindergartner for Camp ReVamp Mini, or your 1st thru 7th graders in Camp ReVamp. We have biweekly options for fun and safe summer sessions. Don't delay, sign up today! If you are unable to register in person, contact Director Malchiodi at rmalchiodi@riverside.il.us.

Webtrac Account

See what programs Riverside Parks & Recreation has available online today! <https://register.parksreconline.com/wbwc/riverside.wsc/wbsplash.html?wbp=1> Registration for most programs is available online when you create a webtrac account on the village website: www.riverside.il.us. Go to the "Register online" tab of the Parks & Rec page. If you forgot your account password, please just give us a call and we can help you reset.

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