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December 2018

President's Message



Matt Brolley

It's hard to believe this year is drawing to a close. As I look back, I am proud of our accomplishments this year, among them:

- Held the line on taxes for the fifth consecutive year
- Completed 5.17 miles of roadway repairs
- Finalized railroad quiet zone
- New construction of businesses, apartment complex and homes

I also want to congratulate Village resident Herschel Luckinbill for receiving the Honor 200 award from the state for his continuing work to help veterans. He has really made a difference in our community. Thank you!

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year from the Brolley family and the entire Village Board!

Holiday Decorations Contest

Now is the time to nominate a property for a Holiday Decorations Award! Committee members will visit the nominated addresses on December 12th in order to select the winners. A sign will be placed in front of the properties selected for an award. Owners are asked to leave these award signs up through the holidays.

Nominations will be accepted through December 10th, and judging will take place on December 12th. You can nominate a property via the Village website at www.ci.montgomery.il.us, by calling Public Works at 630-896-9241 or by submitting the form on the back of this newsletter.

Tree Lighting Ceremony and Festival of Trees

Don't miss the 2018 Tree Lighting Ceremony and Festival of Trees at 5:00 p.m. on December 2nd! In addition to the Tree Lighting Ceremony featuring Santa, Christmas music and free refreshments, the Village Hall will once again be filled with decorated trees provided by local businesses!



Bring the whole family to meet Santa, have cookies and cocoa and vote for your favorite tree. For those unable to attend on December 2nd, the Festival of Trees will continue during business hours from December 3rd through the 21st.

Rebate Deadline 12/17

Village officials are preparing to issue property tax rebate checks in April. A property tax rebate in the amount of \$45 will be mailed to the owner of each residential property owner who submits an application postmarked by December 17th. Additional information can be found on the [property tax refund application](#) on the Village website.

Snow and Ice Operations

Throughout the winter season, Village Public Works crews conduct a coordinated effort to keep roads clear of snow and ice, and safe for travel. Salt brine and/or a beet juice derivative are applied to the roads before a forecasted snow storm to provide improved road conditions at the onset, during a storm, and throughout the clean-up efforts. This provides tremendous cost savings in salt procurement, wear and tear on equipment and roads, fuel consumption and overtime expenses, while significantly lessening the negative environmental impacts caused by over-salting the roads.



Snow removal crews have also begun handling operations through the use of crews working in tandem in many areas of town. This operational adjustment allows staff to clear the streets much quicker than having each truck work independently. One benefit that you may have observed is fewer passes made down many residential streets. While it cannot be eliminated, this minimizes the frequency of a plow truck leaving the annoying windrow of snow at the bottom of driveways after they pass by.

Please note that street parking is prohibited during or after a snowfall in which accumulations of two inches or more are recorded. While street parking is tolerated by ordinance up to two inches of accumulation, it is wise to remove your vehicles from the roadway to avoid potentially costly damage and expedite snow removal operations as well as emergency vehicle access.

As in the past, the Police Department will ticket, and possibly tow, any vehicles parked on the street during these conditions. Questions regarding snow removal should be directed to Public Works at 630-896-9241. For questions regarding the parking ordinance, please call the Police Department at 630-897-8707.

NEWS BRIEFS

- *Toys for Tots donations will be accepted at the Montgomery Village Hall and Police Department through December 7th.*
- *Looking for a unique, long-lasting gift idea? Why not order a brick paver engraved with your loved one's name to be laid in the walkway in front of the Village Hall. Just call 630-896-8080 x 9003 for complete information.*
- *When cleaning up your yard for the winter, be sure to disconnect your garden hose from the house spigot so it doesn't freeze and cause water damage inside.*
- *Senior Luncheons and activities are held from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. The cost is \$4 per person. To sign up, please call 630-896-8080 ext. 9023.*
- *Dime Jingle for seniors is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Hall. No skills are needed for this simple game. Just come try it and have some fun!*
- *Trash collection WILL take place on December 24th but not on December 25th. The rest of the week, collection will be delayed by one day.*
- *Trash will be collected on December 31st. There will be no collection on January 1st, so collection will be delayed by one day the rest of the week.*
- *If a fire hydrant is located on your property, please keep the area around it shoveled. It will be a big help to the Fire Department in case of an emergency.*
- *Please remember that Village ordinances prohibit depositing of snow plowed from any residence or business onto any street, gravel shoulder or sidewalk. In addition, snow cannot be deposited in a way that blocks vision at any intersection, sidewalk or driveway.*
- *DC Recycling will collect live Christmas trees for disposal on your regular collection day during the month of January. Trees need to be curbside, void of all decorations and not in bags.*
- *Is your home is susceptible to flooding? Contact the Community Development Department to ask about flood maps, letter of map amendments and other related information.*

Montgomery Holiday Decorations Contest

I would like to nominate the following address(es) for the Holiday Decorations Contest:

Please mail or bring this form to Village Hall, 200 N. River Street. All entries must be received by December 10th.

Nominations can also be made via the Village website at www.ci.montgomery.il.us or by calling 630-896-9241.

**** **Deadline for Nominations is December 10th** ****

Quarterly Recycling Events

The next quarterly recycling event will be held on Saturday, January 19, 2019, from 8 am to 1 pm at the Public Works facility at 891 Knell Road off of Route 31. These events are provided by DC Recycling and are only for residential customers of DC Recycling who live within the Village of Montgomery and participate in the Village’s waste hauling contract. This does not include businesses, apartment complexes, or residents in Boulder Hill or other unincorporated areas. A photo ID will be required to verify residency.

TVs of all types, all electronics (basically anything with an electric plug or batteries), metal, rechargeable batteries, and household hazardous waste will be accepted for recycling with no charge. Household hazardous waste includes pesticides, cleaners, automotive fluids, pool chemicals, oil-based paint, CFL bulbs and weed killer. The January event does NOT include latex paint, tires or paper shredding.

In 2019, additional quarterly recycling events will take place on the 3rd Saturday of April, July and October.

Greenest Region Compact

Earlier this year the Village Board agreed to participate in an updated program called the Greenest Region Compact 2 (GRC2) which is supported by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and promotes sustainability in communities across the Chicagoland region. The GRC2 presents consensus goals for environmental sustainability to be addressed by local municipalities that will also have a large positive impact.

The Village is one of 107 communities working to achieve goals found within the GRC2 Framework Plan.

The details of the Framework are organized around 10 categories and the 49 consensus goals of the Compact. The 10 categories include: Climate, Economic Development, Energy, Land Use, Leadership, Mobility, Municipal Operations, Sustainable Communities, Water and Waste & Recycling.

Now that the Village has adopted the GRC2, staff has reviewed the targeted goals and compared them to efforts that have already been accomplished and new ones to focus on. You can expect to hear more about this initiative in the coming year.

Potholes/Main Breaks

Residents are encouraged to call Public Works at 630-896-9241 to report pot holes or if they suspect a water main break. After 3:30 p.m., residents may call the Montgomery Police Department non-emergency number at 630-553-0554 to report a possible main break. Messages regarding pot holes can be left on the Public Works voice mail system at 630-896-9241.

Residents may also use the above numbers to report icy roads this winter, or any other winter weather or snowplowing issues that need immediate attention. For complaints regarding snow/ice on state highways (such as Route 30, 34, and 25), please contact IDOT at 847-705-4612 for Kane County locations or 630-553-7337 for Kendall County locations.

Upcoming Events



December 1	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Mayor on the Move	Village Hall, 200 N. River Street
December 2	5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	Tree Lighting Ceremony & Festival of Trees	River Street in front of Village Hall and inside
December 3-21	8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Festival of Trees Display (weekdays only)	Village Hall—Vote for your favorite tree!
December 11	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Christmas Songs with Randy Walker Senior Citizen Activity & Lunch (\$4)	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
December 19	10:00 a.m.-noon	Dime Jingle	Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
January 8	10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Scam Warnings and Safety Tips Senior Citizen Activity & Lunch (\$4)	Village Hall Board Room Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
January 16	10:00 a.m.-noon	Dime Jingle	Village Hall Multi-Purpose Room
January 19	8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Recycling Event--Electronics/TVs/metal	Public Works, 891 Knell Road
February 2	10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Mayor on the Move	The Archery Place, 1725 Crescent Lane-B