Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Fall is here, trees are changing colors and the weather is cooling down. We are getting ready for the coming of Winter. Grass cutting equipment is being cleaned, winterized and stored. The snow plows and salt spreaders are being readied and our salt supply is ready. We will not allow the weather to stop us.

We accomplished a lot this summer. The streets we planned to pave were completed. We repaired sewers and paved the alley behind the Roberts Road Bible Church. We are thinking and planning ahead. Our engineer and Public Works Director are coordinating next year’s plans for street paving and infrastructure improvements.

We need to be proactive instead of letting events dictate our response. The Village of Justice became part of the Cook County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Several Village officials attended the training and cooperate closely with first responders to create a solid partnership in case of a natural disaster. This partnership also makes us eligible for government aid to ease the damage caused by natural disasters.

We are working diligently to make sure our village is well prepared to deal with the unexpected.

We recently held our Business Appreciation dinner. Village business owners were invited for dinner and some special entertainment to thank them for their efforts in serving our residents and community by providing needed services. Our village supports commerce, we work with businesses to help make them successful. Our Chamber of Commerce fosters good relationships between the business community and the Village of Justice.

The Triangle Development is moving forward, the main building is almost completed and the drive-thru coffee shop is now being constructed. Our meetings with IDOT were a success and the project is on time. We will have new businesses moving into the buildings to serve our residents and creating revenue. The Tollway Project is also on schedule. The village has secured the necessary funding and I would like to thank the many village employees for their dedication and effort in making this a reality.

The village has received a proposal for development on the vacant land adjacent to the Ashbury Condos. The initial presentation was given to the Board. We are obtaining the necessary information to answer questions about the proposal and continue the discussion. Bethania Cemetery has sold a parcel of land behind Damar Funeral Home to a developer and we are waiting for proposals on that property. When they come, we will share them with you.

Our annual Veteran’s luncheon is on November 10th. On behalf of the village and myself, I would like to thank our Veterans for their service. It is only because of them that we enjoy the freedoms we have.

Be sure to join us for our Winter Wonderland celebration on December 7, 2019. I would like to extend to all of our residents my best wishes for a Wonderful Holiday Season! I thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Kris Wasowicz,
Mayor/Village President
Hello everyone and welcome to Clerk's Corner, Fall 2019. This edition of Clerk's Corner comes to you from Springfield, IL, our state capitol. Every year, the state provides a requirement that allows the village clerk to attend a week of classes, state updates and continuing education toward certification. I'm happy to report I will become a CMC (Certified Municipal Clerk) once I complete this week, assuming I will pass all the requirements.

In this edition, thought I’d share a couple of topics for the classes this week as well as some public websites you can use to find out information you are curious about.

Topics this week in Springfield include recreational cannabis, expanded gaming, expanded FOIA requirements to the municipality and the US Census. I will provide a review of these topics for the board at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Those notes will be attached to the minutes of October 28, 2019.

That brings me to my next subject! Our village website address is [www.villageofjustice.org](http://www.villageofjustice.org). Follow the tabs and look around. There is a lot of good information there. If you are curious about the policies in municipalities and how they work, head to [www.iml.org](http://www.iml.org). Our village is a member of the Illinois Municipal League (IML). Many of our neighboring towns' mayors sit or have sat on their board of directors.

Either way you look at it, information is available online or at the library but; if you like to get your information the "old fashioned" way, come on in and visit me at the Village Hall or give me a call at 708.625.6729.

Almost forgot….. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

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**Economic Development**

**Business Milestone Anniversary Recognition Program:**
The Village of Justice recognizes businesses who celebrate 10, 25, 50, 75 and 100+ year business anniversary milestones in the Village of Justice.

**Congratulations to Bethania Cemetery for celebrating their 125th Anniversary in the Village of Justice in 2019!!!**
*Bethania Cemetery Association, (1894) located at 7701 S. Archer Road*

**Congratulations to the Flower Shop for celebrating their 50th Anniversary in the Village of Justice in 2019!!!**
*The Flower Shop, (1964) located at 7330 S. Archer Road*

**Congratulations to these businesses who are celebrating their 25th Business Anniversary in the Village of Justice in 2019!!!**
*Anagnos Doors, located at 7600 Archer Road*
*Financial Counseling Service, located at 8648 S. Roberts Road*
*Naser's Salon, located at 8102 S. Roberts Road*

**Congratulations to the businesses who are celebrating their 10th Anniversary in the Village of Justice in 2019!!!**
*The New Bridges, located at 8531 W. 79th Street*
*Constant Motion Service dba Oil Delux, located at 8000 W. 85th Street*
*A. Lugan Contractors, Inc., located at 8200 S. 86th Court*

“Building Justice Together” means that it takes a community to make things happen. We encourage you to shop and use the business services in Justice! We would like to welcome these new businesses to the Village of Justice:

**Tasty Delicatessen** a Deli & Grill located at 8580 S. 88th Avenue
**Slip Proof Safety** a Mobility Products Retail store located at 7550 Archer Road
**GOKO Construction** a home office for a Construction Business/ (708) 305-2982
**SEM Freight Inc** a home office for a Transportation Business/ (845) 945-4258

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**Friendly Reminders**

- Veterans Luncheon will be held on November 11/10/2019
- Next Mobile Food Pantry will be held on 11/19/19 in Summit and 12/17/19 in Hodgkins.
- 2020 Pet Tags will be available as of 12/1/2019.
- Winter Wonderland Event will be held on 12/7/2019.
RODENT CONTROL:
Do not feed wildlife or stray animals (including birds). The food along with the animal's feces draws more wildlife, including rats, to your property and your neighbor's property. Please see our website for further information regarding any rat problems. Our ordinance is being strictly enforced.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS:
Frozen Pipes: During periods of extreme cold weather, water can freeze and expand in pipes causing them to burst. Precautionary measures should be taken to avoid this problem. Leaving a faucet drip, even a trickle, helps prevent pipes from freezing. Keep your thermostat at a constant temperature day and night, making sure the thermostat is set for heat even when you are away from home. Check the pipes that run along the outside walls for proper insulation. Open kitchen and bathroom cabinets to allow warm air to circulate underneath.

Service your furnace: A registered service technician can find leaks and other problems that if left undetected can cause fires, injuries and even death due to carbon monoxide, which is an invisible killer.

Check Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors: Fall is a good time to test your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. Change your batteries every year, a good time to do this is when you turn your clock back in the fall.

Fireplace Safety: When using your fireplace always be sure the flue is open before starting a fire. Have the chimney and the fireplace cleaned once a year by a certified chimney sweep. Use a fireplace screen to prevent sparks from entering the home and to keep children and pets away from the fire.

Holiday Food Basket Program
As we anticipate the Holiday Season, many of our own village families continue to experience severe financial hardships. Through the extreme generosity of the business community, our Secret Santa and caring friends and neighbors in the village, we have helped countless families in need with Holiday Food Baskets and toys for children under the age of 12.

We are collecting non-perishable food items and new/unopened toys. If you would like to donate, please drop-off your items to the following locations:
Village Hall, Justice Library, Justice Building Department, as well as at Brandrick and Wilkins schools.

Please remit monetary donations to Justice Special Events-Holiday Baskets – 7800 Archer Road, Justice, IL 60458.

For those in need of assistance this Holiday Season, applications will be available on Monday, November 11, 2019 at the Village Finance Office or online at www.villageofjustice.org. The deadline to submit applications is November 30, 2019.

This year, we have targeted the week of December 9th for the preparation of food baskets with the distribution day being Saturday, December 14th. To volunteer to assist with this event, please contact us by calling Village Hall at 708-458-2520.
VILLAGE OF JUSTICE
WINTER WONDERLAND
December 7, 2019
12 – 5 pm

Join us for some holiday fun that will include...
Face Painting, Arts & Crafts, Photo Booth, Raffles, Craft Show,
Refreshments, Snacks, Christmas Tree Lighting
and a visit from Santa!!

Sponsored by
Village Of Justice
Justice Park District
Justice Public Library

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Buildings S and U • Ends at Noon

- Hear a short presentation about the college, admission and
  financial aid, student life, and more.
- Learn about the transfer process—complete the first two
  years of your bachelor's degree here and save thousands of
  dollars!
- Discover how to earn college credit while still in high school.
- Meet faculty from our academic and career programs.
- Take a campus tour.
- Special session for adult learners, too.

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(708) 974-5355
morainevalley.edu/openhouse
Public Works

CHIPPING REMINDER:
Final chipping of branches was on October 29th. Please do NOT put out any branches as they will not be chipped until next year. The trucks are now prepared for the winter snow plowing season.

YARD WASTE REMINDER:
FINAL YARD WASTE PICK UP BY GROOT (SINGLE FAMILY HOMES ONLY)
The final yard waste will be picked up on November 25, 2019.

COLD WEATHER AND SNOW SEASON IS FAST APPROACHING:
FOR THE SAFETY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND OUR RESIDENTS PLEASE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

1.) PLEASE do NOT run out to or next to the snow plows as they are driving by, this is a dangerous situation, not only for you, the resident, but also for our snow plow drivers.

2.) The Public Works Department spends long hours making sure our streets are clean of snow.
PLEASE REMEMBER: Shoveling or plowing snow into village streets is against the law (a ticket could possibly be issued). In the past, we have noticed several residents snow blow or shovel snow onto the village streets soon after the snow plows have gone by. We have also had several complaints by motorists driving by as they get hit with snow or come very close to running into snow blowers. Again, this is not only dangerous for the residents, but also for the snow plow/drivers and also for vehicles driving on that street.

3.) Make sure when shoveling or plowing driveways and sidewalks that all snow is disposed of onto grassy areas, NOT ON VILLAGE STREETS. Also, be considerate of neighbors, do not shovel or plow snow onto their sidewalks and driveways.

4.) PARKING: For safe and effective plowed streets, be sure not to park on village streets after a 1 inch snowfall until streets are plowed.

5.) GARBAGE CANS: Place garbage cans, mobile basketball nets and all miscellaneous toys or equipment, ONLY on the driveway.

6.) MAILBOX/DRIVEWAYS: Be sure your mailbox is secured properly to the post to prevent plowed snow from dislodging it. Unfortunately, when plowing the streets, Public Works cannot direct the snow away from the mail boxes or driveways. It is the homeowner’s responsibility to make sure to clean all snow away from the front of your mailbox to ensure timely mail delivery. Public Works will not clean snow away from mailboxes and will not come back and plow out driveways.

7.) FIRE HYDRANT: In case of a heavy accumulation of snow, please help the fire department and make sure all fire hydrants are exposed for emergency use.

8.) SENIOR DRIVEWAY PLOWING: If you are a senior citizen, age 62 or older, handicapped, living alone, and would like your driveway plowed, you must come into the Public Works office with your driver’s license and complete the “Snow Plow Waiver”. Without this waiver, your driveway will not be plowed.

REMEMBER:
LEAVES AND LAWN CLIPPINGS:
Fall has now arrived, please remember that when raking your leaves, cutting your grass, pulling weeds or trimming branches; do not dispose of them in the ditches, retention ponds or sewers. When this debris is dumped in these areas it blocks the water flow, which then results in flooding. If you should witness anyone dumping such debris, please call Public Works at 708-458-2961. You will remain anonymous, but we will need the address of the person dumping this debris, so a warning can be issued. We all need to take part in keeping our village clean of debris, your help is much appreciated.

Call 811 or Click Before You Dig.
illinois1call.com
It’s a Free Service.
Winter Wonderland
Join Justice Park District for a day of family fun at our very own Winter Wonderland. There will be Craft projects, Games for the kids and Letters written to Santa. A visit from Ole St. Nick is highly probable, come out and support your community.

Saturday, December 14
12:00-2:00 pm
Commissioners Park
7747 S.Oak Grove Avenue
FREE

Holiday House Decorating Contest
Enter the 2019 Holiday House Decorating Contest for a chance to win and be recognized as the best in the neighborhood!

Judging
Fri., December 20
7:00 pm
Register by 12/18
*All Justice Residents eligible

Camp Igloo
Join us for 2 weeks of Winter FUN!!

Week 1: 12/23, 12/26, 12/27
Week 2: 12/30, 1/2, 1/3

Ages: 6-12 yrs.
9:00 am-3:00 pm
Weekly R/NR Fee: $40/$45

Before Camp
7:30 - 9:00 am
Weekly R/NR Fee: $10/$15

After Camp
3:00 - 6:00 pm
$25R/$30NR Per Week
*Pre-registration is required

Letters to Santa
Put all your holiday wishes in a letter to Santa, don’t forget to include your address so he can write back.

Mailbox available 12/2-12/14
Community Center
FREE

Santa’s Calling
Imagine your loved one’s face when they receive their personalized phone call from Santa himself!

Calls will be made 12/20
from 6:00-8:00 pm
Registration open 12/2-12/14
*All Justice Residents eligible