



NORTH BAY NEWS

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello North Bay Neighbors,

A few months ago I gave an update on the plans for replacement of the village water mains and committed to keeping residents apprised of status. Unfortunately there hasn't been any progress since then. At this time we are still awaiting the City of Racine Water Department's proposal. Therefore it is improbable any replacement work will happen in 2024. The board continues to request action from RWD knowing this is a critical component of North Bay's infrastructure.

Also, welcome Tom La Fave and Kari McGaughey to the Planning Commission replacing Paul Schroeder and Randy Johnson, and Chris Veranth to the Board of Appeals, replacing Dave Easley. Thanks to Tom, Kari, and Chris for your participation and Randy and Dave for your past service. Your efforts demonstrate a personal commitment to the sustainment of our beloved community. On behalf of the board and all North Bay residents, your contributions are greatly appreciated.

For Village related emails, please direct messages to: vnbpresident@northbay-wi.us. For all phone calls, please call my home number: 262-681-9353.

Thank you!

Sincerely, President Mark J. Schall

EXECUTIVE BOARD

PLANNING COMMISSION SEAT FILLED

On June 17th, 2024, the Village Board of Trustees voted to appoint Tom La Fave to the Planning Commission for the remainder of a 2-year term ending in May 2025. The seat was vacated when Paul Schroeder was elected to the office of Trustee #1 Public Works on April 2nd, 2024. Tom took his Oath of Office on June 25th, 2024.

Tom and his wife, Maria, have resided in North Bay for six years. They have 5 children (Genny, Jack, Gianna, Angelina, & James) and a Golden Retriever named Levi. Tom loves our neighborhood and community and is happy to serve the Village. Thank you, Tom, for accepting your appointment to the Planning Commission!



Next month's issue will feature an article about additional pending appointments to the Planning Commission and Board of Appeals.

AED INSTALLED AT VILLAGE HALL

The Village purchased an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in response to a Safety Equipment Grant from the Village Insurance provider, League of Wisconsin Municipalities. The Philips FRx AED features intuitive, step-by-step voice instructions, including CPR guidance, and an audible metronome to help guide basic life support (BLS) responders while treating a suspected sudden cardiac arrest (SCA).

CONSTABLE | *Kristin Wright*

PEDDLERS & SOLICITORS | A number of door-to-door solicitors have been noted recently. Please note that the Village has an ordinance (11.04) requiring a license for selling in accordance with State Statute (66.0423(2a)). Applications may be downloaded from the Village website or obtained from the Village Clerk. Please always be careful when opening your door to a stranger. Safety of residents is one of the main reasons the ordinance was originally written.

SPEED | Numerous residents have recognized the increase in cars and contractors speeding through the Village. The Wind Point Police Chief is currently considering ways to monitor the situation. Please be aware of your speed and alert others that you notice going too fast. Thank you.

PUBLIC WORKS | *Paul Schroeder*

SEEKING RESIDENT COOPERATION TO MAINTAIN SAFE PASSAGE ON PUBLIC STREETS & PRIVATE ROADS | The Federal Highway and/or Wisconsin Department of Transportation define safe standards related to vegetation on streets and/or intersections.

- **VISION TRIANGLE** | For uncontrolled intersections, the drivers of both approaching vehicles should be able to see conflicting vehicles in adequate time to stop or slow to avoid a crash. The required sight distance is directly related to vehicle speed, distance traveled during perception and reaction, and braking time. With North Bay's 20 MPH speed limit, The minimum recommended sight distances.
 - The minimum recommended sight distance in North Bay (based on 20 MPH speed limit) is 90 feet. [Click here](https://northbay-wi.us/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/sight_distance_study_iowa.pdf) for more information about the vision triangle, or visit:
https://northbay-wi.us/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/sight_distance_study_iowa.pdf
- **PRUNING LOW HANGING BRANCHES** | To prevent damage to vehicles that pass under low hanging branches over Village streets or private drives, avoid damage to resident-owned trees, allow unimpeded access to emergency response vehicles, trash

collection, snow removal and seasonal leaf collection, residents are asked to maintain a minimum height of 14 feet above the pavement.

Please refer to Chapter 7 Section 05(1) for more information pertaining to Hazardous and Infected Trees. The ordinance states that any tree or part thereof, whether alive or dead, which the Director of Public Works or the contractor engaged by the Village as provided in subsection (1) of this section, shall find to be hazardous or a nuisance so as to endanger the public or other trees, plants or shrubs growing within the Village, or to be injurious to sewers or other public improvements, whether growing upon private premises, shall be treated, pruned, removed or trimmed by the owner of the property upon which such tree or part thereof is located. The Director of Public Works shall give written notice to said owner to remedy the situation which shall be served personally or posted upon the affected tree... Such notice shall specifically state the period of time within which the action must be taken...determined by the Director of Public Works on the basis of the seriousness of the condition... If the owner shall fail to treat, prune, remove or trim said tree within the time limited, the Director of Public Works shall cause the tree to be treated, pruned, removed or trimmed and shall report the full cost thereof to the Village Clerk who shall thereupon enter such cost as a special charge against the property.

Please [click here](#) to access North Bay's Book of Ordinances where you will find Chapter 7 Section 05(1). The URL is:

www.northbay-wi.us/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/vnb-ordinance-all-chapters-4.3.2023.pdf.

LAKEFRONT TRASH CAN PILOT PROGRAM | In response to resident requests, the Village placed a trash can at North Bay's park on a trial basis. It is meant for picnic litter only. Please help us keep our parkway clean. Thank you!

TREASURER | *Robert E. O'Brien*

PROPERTY TAX INSTALLMENT DUE JULY 31ST | The second Installment of the property tax bill is due by July 31, 2024. Mail a check payable to: Racine County Treasurer, 730 Wisconsin Avenue, Racine, WI 53403. **The Village Treasurer is prohibited from receiving payments after February 1st, 2024.**

Please remember to enclose the Property Tax Stub with your payment. A copy of the stub is available online on the [Racine County Property Tax Inquiry](#) page. The URL is: <https://www.racinecounty.com/departments/county-treasurer/property-taxes>

For questions on tax bills or payments, please contact the Village Treasurer, Robert O'Brien at 262-681-0898 or vnbtreasurer@northbay-wi.us.

VILLAGE HALL

VILLAGE MEETINGS | Committee, Board of Trustee, and the 2024 Board of Review meetings that are scheduled as of this publication appear in the Upcoming Village Meeting table below. Stand Up Meetings and Planning Commission meetings are scheduled as needed and announced with proper notice.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT VILLAGE MEETINGS | Meetings are held at Village Hall located at 3615 Hennepin Place. Meeting notices and agendas are posted on the bulletin board at Village Hall and the Village website under [News and Announcements](#) at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Dates and times of meetings are subject to change with proper notice.

Village meetings are open to the public. Please note, [Public Comment](#) may only be given orally and in person. Visit the [Village Meetings](#) page of the Village website for more information.

UPCOMING VILLAGE MEETINGS

Tuesday, July 23rd, 2024	5:30 Erosion Control Greenspace Committee Meeting
Monday, August 19th, 2024 <i>Note: Third Monday</i>	7:00 PM - Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, October 14th, 2024	7:00 PM - Board of Trustees Meeting

CONTACT INFO

Visit <https://northbay-wi.us/contacts/> for the list of Executive Board Members (Elected Officials), Appointed Officials and Service Providers.