JANUARY 2022

VILLAGE HALL: 228-7262 (8-4 M-F) MAINTENANCE SHED: 228-7361 POLICE: EMERGENCY: 9-1-1

Non-Emergency: 594-4555 (Clinton County

Sheriffs Dispatch

LOST AND FOUND

Buick key/fob with house key and 'quarter keeper', Samsung phone found by Railroad/Hull St.

WATER BILLS

Please remember that all water bills are due the 25th of each month. If you are set up to get email reminders and have not received your email, DO NOT send an email to the address you get your bills from. We do not check that email folder. (Also, please verify with us that we have a good address on file.) Please call the Village Hall or email us at villagehall@avistonil.org and we can help you.

There are still some folks that we 1) don't have a phone number for you or 2) the number you have on file has been replaced/deleted. Please update us. This is especially beneficial for you if you have a leak at your residence and we need to contact you.

LARGE TRASH/DUMPSTERS REMINDERS:

If you have large trash items that need to get picked up and it is not our normal large pickup date, you may call Republic Services, personally, and request/schedule the pickup. The number to call is: (618) 656-6883, and listen for the correct prompt to assist you. You may also reach them at: www.republicservices.com and schedule/request a large trash pick-up.

-A dumpster is located at the City Shed that is picked up (emptied) three (3) times a week. A full dumpster means "come back and try again." If materials are dumped alongside or overfill the container... it's illegal - please don't do that. If the lid does not close, it is too full! There are cameras fixed on the dumpsters and abusers will be identified and invited to come get their treasures and pay a fine (starting at \$100).

POLICE DEPARTMENT

OBEY ALL TRAFFIC SIGNS!!! We are still getting complaints about speeding and running stop signs. We are trying to step up patrols in the areas.

Always be aware of your surroundings and report anything suspicious.

SUMMER HELP

The Village of Aviston is accepting applications for summer help. All applicants must be 16 years of age by May 1, 2022 and reside within the Village corporate limits. Pay will be \$12/hr. Applications can be picked up at the Aviston Village Hall M-F from 8-4. Application deadline is Friday, February 4th, 3:00 p.m.

VILLAGE PLANNING COMMISSION QUESTIONNAIRE

The attached questionnaire is intended to provide input as we update the Village's Comprehensive Plan for future development/land use. If you have thoughts, please return by January 31, 2022 to the Village Hall.

ORV PERMITS

2022 PERMITS ARE IN!!!!

The current permits expired December 31, 2021. This is for renewals or if you recently purchased an ORV. You will need a sticker to legally drive it on village streets. Cost is \$35 per permit and good through December 31, 2022.

SNOW PLOWING

REMINDER: Winter is here and so the snow may be coming soon. With that in mind, when it snows, please remove vehicles from the streets so the snowplows can make it through easier. If you get plowed in, we will not be back to dig you out.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

The Scouts would like to give a HUGE shoutout to everyone for their generous donations to the Scouting for Food Drive --- much appreciated!!

The Boy Scouts electronics shed is open 24/7. Please put items inside through the door on the south side. Please stack, if possible, to leave room for others. TV recycle is the first Saturday of even months from 8-10 am cost is \$25 per TV. Please do not put TVs in shed--this includes CRT monitors. **Aluminum can pick up** is the first Saturday of the

month, please put cans out on the curb by 9 am. If they miss your cans or you would like to drop them off yourself, the Scout trailer is located behind (east) of the American Legion.

If you have any questions, please email avistonalbersscouts@yahoo.com.

AVISTON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The winners in this year's "Keep Christ in Christmas" lighting contest are Matt and Mary Rakers, 14201 Ranz Road and Dale and Kim Haukap, 798 E, 1st St. We had almost 60 religious displays in the Aviston area to choose from. Thanks from the Michael J Haukap Knights of Columbus to all who displayed the Christmas spirit. Special thanks to the Village of Aviston and the decorating crew who had wonderful Nativity Scenes also at the Park and Kopff Field.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship program for 2022

\$1,000 – For Veterans, Auxiliary, SAL or family members of Post 1239*

\$1,000 – An individual within the 62216 zip code area*

Look for details and an application on our website: www.avistonlegion.com OR pick up an application during open hours at the Aviston Legion Heroes Pub.

You may apply for both scholarships, if applicable. Deadline for the application is April 1, 2022 Let us consider helping you with your future!

US POSTAL SERVICE Regarding PO Box Delivery (from Aviston Village Board)

Many Aviston residents have been having tremendous difficulty with mail being returned due to lack of Post Office (PO) Box information on addresses. After many, many years of service, our local post office has been instructed to stop delivering mail that does not include a PO Box number in the address.

If you wish to express your concern/make your voice heard regarding this matter, please consider contacting Ms. Natalie Woods, supervisor in the Consumer Affairs Department of the Central IL 2 District. Her office phone is (708)563-7743. Feel free to relay specifics on how you and/or your

business has been negatively impacted by this change of approach, and insist the Post Office continue delivering mail even though it does not include the PO Box # (as it has for many years previously). A second recommendation is to request for mailbox delivery for the entire town. Our next step will include contacting our Congresswoman at https://marymiller.house.gov to request delivery across the entire town.

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

SAVE THE DATE The 51st Annual Citizens for Aviston Dance will be held on February 12th, 2022! A \$70 ticket includes monthly drawings from October 20th through February 12th, dinner for two, free beer and soda all evening, music from Hair Syndicate, lots of fun, along with chances to win up to \$2,000 the night of the event. It's the cheapest night out you will ever have, plus so many chances to win. Only 500 tickets are sold, get yours before they are gone! You do not need to be present to win any of the drawings and your name is thrown back in each month. 100% of the profits are spent on park improvements!

December Drawing Winners (\$70/each):

- Ben & Joan Toeben
- Chuck Schrage
- Rick & Marilyn Zobrist
- Dennis & Jean Nicholson

Call Kim (Kurt) Rakers (604-6100), Anna (Chad) Kuhn (304-7725), Karrie (Mark) Rakers (420-0330), Stephanie (Troy) Pingsterhaus (210-5558), Tracy (Deej) Session (972-0854) or Julie (Brandon) Wade (616-4633) if you would like to purchase a ticket.

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u> JANUARY 2022

8 – SAL Black Tie Event at Winery

25 – Zoning Board Meeting

31 – Park District Meeting

- Questionnaire due to Village Hall

FEBRUARY 2022

- 7 Village Board Meeting
- 12 Citizens for Aviston Dinner/Dance
- 22 Zoning Board Meeting
- 28 Park District Meeting

Aviston Village Board 2022 Meeting Schedule

Monday January 3rd 7:00 p.m. Monday February 7th 7:00 p.m. Monday March 7th 7:00 p.m. Monday April 4th 7:00 p.m. Monday May 2nd 7:00 p.m. Monday June 6th 7:00 p.m. Tuesday July 5th 7:00 p.m. Monday August 1st7:00 p.m. Tuesday September 6th 7:00 p.m. Monday October 3rd 7:00 p.m. Monday November 7th 7:00 p.m. Monday December 5th 7:00 p.m.

Aviston Park Board 2022 Meeting Schedule

Monday January 31st 7:30 p.m. Monday February 28th 7:30 p.m. Monday March 28th 7:30 p.m. Monday April 25th 7:30 p.m. Monday May 23rd 7:30 p.m. Monday June 27th 7:30 p.m. Monday July 25th 7:30 p.m. Monday August 29th 7:30 p.m. Monday September 26th 7:30 p.m. Monday October 24th 7:30 p.m. Monday November 28th 7:30 p.m. Monday December 19th 7:30 p.m.

Aviston Zoning Board 2022 Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, January 25th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 22nd 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 29th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 31st 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 28th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 26th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 30th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 27th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 25th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 29th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 20th 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 20th 7:00 p.m.

