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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Well, February sure started off with a bang!

While it wasn't quite the Snowmageddon of 2011, the storm that hit us last week brought nearly 11 inches of snow to Channahon. I want to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of the Village's ten plow drivers that cleared our roads when the snow arrived. They left their homes and families before the sun had even risen and worked long past when it had set for days in a row, all to ensure that the roads were safe for the rest of us to get where we needed to go. Without their hard work and sacrifices, the aftermath of last week's snowfall could have looked a lot different. The next time you see one of the Village of Channahon's plow trucks in your neighborhood or around town, I encourage you to give them a wave or a call of thanks for all that they do for our community.

In addition to bringing lots of snow, the start of February also marked the beginning of American Heart Month. While I often talk about taking advantage of Channahon's bounty of natural resources for outdoor recreation in the warmer months, I want to encourage you to bundle up and head outside this month in the spirit of heart health. We live in such a beautiful area, and that beauty is only magnified with a fresh coating of snow; it's truly something magical to experience. From cross country skiing or snowshoeing on any of the local trailways to simply walking around your neighborhood or playing in the snow in your yard, there are so many ways to stay active and explore this time of year. I highly recommend taking a trip to the Four Rivers Environmental Education Center to check out any of their outdoor programs, including guided hikes and even eagle watching activities.

Whatever form of recreation you choose, I hope you take the time to focus on your own health and wellness this season while also exploring this place we call home.

Best wishes,
Mayor Missey Moorman-Schumacher



UPCOMING EVENTS

Village Board Meetings

- Monday, February 21, 2022 @ 6:00 PM
- Monday, March 7, 2022 @ 6:00 PM
- Monday, March 21, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

Planning & Zoning

Commission Meetings

- Monday, February 14, 2022 @ 6:00 PM
- Monday, March 14, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

Special Budget Workshop Meeting

- Saturday, March 19, 2022 @ 8:30 AM

Spring Village Garage Sales

- April 28, 29 and 30, 2022



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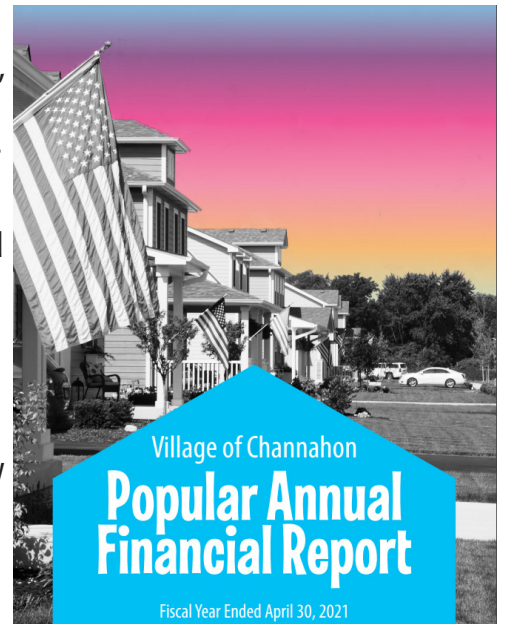
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2021 POPULAR ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE

As part of the Village's efforts to promote transparency and disseminate information, the Village is pleased to present the Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2021. The purpose of the PAFR is to offer a condensed and consolidated version of the Village's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) which contains crucial financial information. The PAFR is specifically designed to be readily accessible and easily understandable to the general public and other interested parties that may not have a background in public finance. The fiscal year ended April 30, 2021 PAFR can be found at www.channahon.org/PAFR2021 or please feel free to pick up a printed version at Village Hall during operating hours.



MEET YOUR VILLAGE SNOW PLOW DRIVERS!

Dan, Eric and Gordon are just three of the Village's fleet of snow plow drivers. Check out their bios below to learn a little more about some of the people that help keep our streets clear!

MEET YOUR PLOW DRIVER

Dan D.

YOU MAY NOT KNOW...

"Plowing can be dangerous, stressful, demanding and requires a great deal of patience."

ADVICE FOR DRIVERS

"Be sure that the need to be on the road during a snow event outweighs the risk. Avoid streets where plows are cleaning up, if possible."



My Position
Wastewater Plant Operator

I work for
Village of Channahon

I've been a plow driver for
34 years

MEET YOUR PLOW DRIVER

Eric S.

WHAT I LIKE ABOUT MY JOB

"Seeing all the kids playing in the snow, building snow forts. And that they are so happy to see the snow plow."

ADVICE FOR DRIVERS

"If you don't have to leave your house, stay off the roads. Let us clean up after the storm."



My Position
Laborer, Public Works

I work for
Village of Channahon

I've been a plow driver for
3 years

MEET YOUR PLOW DRIVER

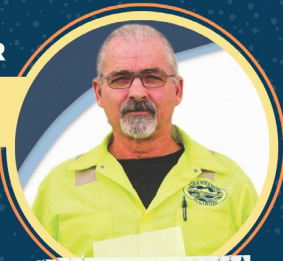
Gordon B.

WHAT I LIKE ABOUT MY JOB

"Meeting the challenges throughout the snow season, as each storm varies not only in intensity but precipitation as well."

YOU MAY NOT KNOW...

"The snow season is long and fatigue sets in as the season progresses. Please be patient with your plow driver. It's a overwhelming responsibility to operate a plow truck in a safe and efficient manner."



My Position
Laborer, Public Works

I work for
Village of Channahon

I've been a plow driver for
19 years



CHANNAHON PD HIRES THREE NEW OFFICERS

The Channahon Police Department is excited to announce the hiring of three new police officers - Jeffrey Kirkolis, Jesus Rodriguez and Michael Bowen. With the anticipated reduction in workforce due to potential retirements, our agency would like to stay on pace with the replacement of personnel to minimize overtime costs, not unduly burden FTO staff, and most importantly avoid any disruption to the delivery of police services.



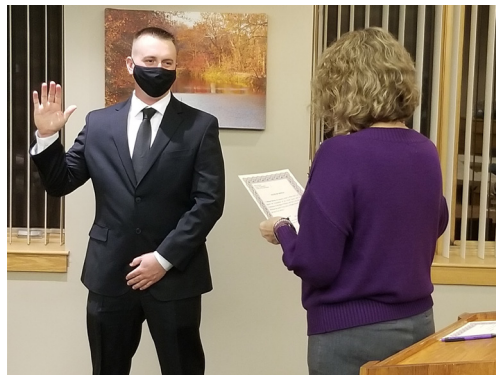
Jeffrey Kirkolis

Mr. Kirkolis is a Channahon resident and a graduate of Minooka Community High School. He went on to attend the College of St. Francis, where he received his Bachelors of Science in Business and Accounting. Mr. Kirkolis is currently a member of the Illinois Army National Guard.



Jesus Rodriguez

Mr. Rodriguez is a Joliet resident and graduate of Joliet Central High School. He went on to attend North Park University, where he received his Bachelors of Science in Nursing. Mr. Rodriguez is a former member of the United States Army Reserve.



Michael Bowen

Mr. Bowen is currently a resident of Hampshire, Illinois and graduate of Western Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science in Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice.



Kirkolis and Rodriguez will be attending the 14 week basic police academy at the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy located on the College of DuPage campus in Glen Ellyn. Bowen will be attending the 14 week basic police academy at the Police Law Institute located on the University of Illinois campus in Champaign-Urbana.

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to each of the new officers.

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