

ROCKTON Illinois

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Village of Rockton Responds to COVID-19 Pandemic

Thursday, April 30, 2020

Rockton, Illinois – Village of Rockton officials have no higher priority than protecting the health and safety of Village residents. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the following important information is immediately effective:

Village Hall will continue to be closed to the visiting public through May 31, 2020. Village staff will be available via phone and e-mail during normal Village Hall business hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) to assist those with business to conduct with the Village. Residents making payments to the Village are encouraged to use the 24-hour drop box in the Village Hall entrance, pay online using the Village's online bill pay system or call 815-624-7600 to make a payment by phone. Persons with other business to conduct with the Village can contact the following Village staff members:

- For code enforcement, zoning/planning and economic development matters, please contact Patricia Diduch at 815-624-0935 or e-mail her at diduch@rocktonvillage.com
- For public works matters, please contact Dan Barber at 815-624-0927 or e-mail him at barber@rocktonvillage.com
- For parks and recreation matters, please contact Don Self at 815-624-6894 or e-mail him at self@rocktonvillage.com.
- The Rockton Police Department remains on duty and vigilant. Those with non-emergency issues should call 815-624-7886 (during normal business hours) and 815-282-2600 (outside of normal business hours). Fingerprinting services to the public are suspended during this time period. Consequently, the Village Clerk will not be accepting any solicitor permit applications for the Village.
- For the Village Clerk and any other Village matters, please contact Christina Stewart at 815-624-6895 or e-mail her at stewart@rocktonvillage.com.

No late fees will be assessed during the months of March, April and May for late payment of water/sewer bills and **no water shut offs will take place for non-payment of water/sewer bills during this time period.** **Regarding the drinking water supply, the Covid-19 virus has not been detected in the Village's water supply.** The Environmental Protection Agency states the risk to water supplies is low and residents should feel safe to continue drinking tap water.

Village officials shall continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and shall implement additional preventative and mitigation measures as dictated by Winnebago County, State of Illinois and federal

agencies. Village President, Dale Adams, states, "We know this is a scary time for residents and none of this is ideal for any of us. We're hoping by taking these measures with other communities, we can shorten this disruption to daily life as quickly as possible."

About the Village of Rockton

The Village of Rockton is committed to provide leadership, services, and direction for growth while preserving its unique community. The Village and its 7,685 residents lie at the northern edge of Winnebago County, Illinois just three miles south of the Wisconsin border, and is renowned for its small town charm and high quality of life, including an excellent public school system and recreational opportunities. The Village of Rockton website is: www.rocktonvillage.com.

For additional information or questions regarding this press release, please contact:

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