## Inside Village Hall by Tammy LaBorde, Village Manager

#### **2023 BUDGET**

The Village Board is meeting on September 21, 2022 to review the proposed budget for 2023. Discussions are taking place at the time of this writing (July) to look at a possible referendum question on November 8<sup>th</sup> to increase the levy for 2023. The Village cannot increase its levy unless it is approved by the residents through a referendum. In 2021, the State of Wisconsin limited the Village to an increase of approximately \$8,000; however, the actual increase for the budget was over \$200,000. Please consult the village website for updates on this issue.

# **SEMI-ANNUAL CLEAN UP DAY**

John's Disposal will be collecting on **Saturday, October 8, 2022**. Collection will take place at the Village Hall parking lot from 9:00am to Noon. A flyer will be distributed in October to remind you of the date. Secure document shredding is available and ends punctually at noon. Items that can be dropped off are air conditioners, antifreeze, appliance, batteries, bicycles, cell phones, dehumidifiers, electronics, flattened cardboard boxes, furniture, ink cartridges, large items, mattresses, scrap metal, televisions, and waste oil. Liquid paint and hazardous waste items are not accepted.

#### **E-MAIL UPDATE SYSTEM**

In order to provide information to the residents, the Village has contracted with Constant Contact who houses a website that will contain all of your email information. You can sign up on the village website at riverhillswi.com. In the banner, select "Sign Up". A screen will appear where you can enter your information. If you have any questions, please contact Village Hall.

#### ONE OF THE TOP TEN WAYS TO HELP BIRDS -

### KEEP BIRD FEEDERS AND BATHS CLEAN AND IN THE RIGHT PLACE TO KEEP BIRDS ALIVE

If you feed the birds, make sure you aren't accidentally allowing the spread of disease. Disinfect feeders and bird baths, and change water regularly or use a drip system to prevent mosquitoes from breeding. The safest locations for bird feeders is within three feet of your house or more than 30 feet away. When the feeder is really close, a bird will not be able to gain enough speed to have a fatal window collision. When the feeder is really far away, birds are better able to perceive that your windows are part of your house and not a flyway. The size of your windows and vegetation can also play a role.

<u>If you are new to River Hills, please let us know!</u> We want to welcome you into our community. Questions, comments or suggestions? Contact me (<u>tlaborde@vil.river-hills.wi.us</u> or 414-352-8213) or contact Trustee Peggy Russo (414-405-8851).

Please visit the Village website at www.riverhillswi.com for additional information.

# **September Meeting Schedule 2022**

5<sup>th</sup> Village Hall Closed for Labor Day Holiday

19th Building Board - 5:00pm

19th Nicolet School Board Meeting – 6:00pm

21st Village Board Meeting - 5:00pm

21st Glendale-River Hills School Board

22<sup>nd</sup> Maple Dale/Indian Hill School Board