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New Source Water Agreement to Limit Annual Cost Increases

An amended agreement between Rolling Meadows and the Northwest Suburban Municipal Joint Action Water Agency (JAWA) contains a 5% cap on annual rate increases paid to the city of Chicago for water used by Rolling Meadows residents.

Established in 1982, JAWA is an inter-governmental consortium representing Rolling Meadows and six other member communities that purchases water from the city of Chicago. Treated Lake Michigan water is distributed to Rolling Meadows via a system of reservoirs, pumps, and pipelines owned and operated by the agency.

Prevent Excessive Rate Increases

The revised agreement, negotiated by JAWA's Executive Board and approved by Rolling Meadows' City Council in March, prevents Chicago from charging excessive annual rate increases that are passed along to water customers who live in each respective community. The cap does not apply to administrative fees that may be charged by those communities.

It also eliminates a "minimum use" requirement that had become obsolete in an age where water conservation efforts and eco-friendly operational upgrades have significantly reduced consumption.



Lake Michigan has been the source of Rolling Meadows' drinking water since 1986.

"The cap contained in this new agreement represents a good deal for Rolling Meadows residents, especially considering the multiple double-digit cost increases we had to absorb several years back," Public Works Director Fred Vogt explained. "That, combined with the elimination of the minimum use requirement, encourages further conservation efforts and adds some predictability when anticipating future rates paid by our customers."

Vogt said the terms of the amended agreement, which runs through 2032 (the original agreement was to expire in 2022) also ...continued on page 3

April 28th 'Showcase' Event to Highlight Rolling Meadows Businesses

Learn more about products and services offered by Rolling Meadows-based businesses – professional service companies, retail shops, restaurants, and more – and connect with local business owners at the City's first "Business & Community Showcase," Saturday, April 28th, at Rolling Meadows High School.



BUSINESS & COMMUNITY SHOWCASE
Connect 2018 Network

professional setting," she said. "The Showcase offers a chance to simultaneously develop new relationships, strengthen existing ones, and promote business goods and services to the entire community."

The Showcase will feature other attractions, including:

- Live performances by singer and multi-instrumentalist Joshua Patterson.
- Information displays by the Rolling Meadows Library and Chamber of Commerce.
- Police and Fire Department personnel.

Businesses that are interested in joining the Showcase may register online at www.rmconnect2018.com. There is a \$40 registration fee – 75% of which will be refunded upon full event participation.

Showcase companies will be provided with a six foot draped table for their use.

For more information, contact Martha Corner at cornerm@cityrm.org or 847-870-9004.

The City-sponsored Showcase will be open to the public from 11 am – 3 pm. A private networking event for participating businesses begins at 10 am.

Local business of all sizes and across multiple industries have expressed strong interest in the event, Rolling Meadows Business Advocate Martha Corner explained.

"The Business & Community Showcase represents an amazing opportunity to forge new business contacts in a relaxed

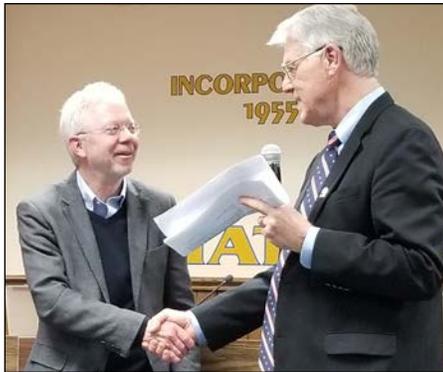
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City Leaders Honor Local Businesses for Community Events Support

City leaders honored local businesses and organizations for their generous support of Rolling Meadows' 2017 community events at a February 27th recognition ceremony held at City Hall.

Mayor Len Prejna recognized more than 60 companies for their support and presented certificates of appreciation to 22 local businesses representatives who were present for the event.



RTC's Richard Nathan (left) was among the many professionals who attended the ceremony.

"We thank you for going above and beyond in your commitment to sponsor and support our community events. We're glad you are all here," he said, recognizing local businesses as critical components in the City's continued growth.

Businesses honored at the ceremony were:

- A.H. Management Group
- Bear Construction
- Ben Franklin Bank
- ComEd
- Community Church of Rolling Meadows
- Constellation Energy
- Divine Design & Marketing
- Fratello's
- Holiday Inn & Holiday Inn Express
- JC Restoration
- JML Overhead Door
- Meadows Christian Fellowship
- Molly Maid
- Northrop Grumman
- Nothing Bundt Cakes
- Papa Saverio's



Mayor Len Prejna (left) thanks ComEd's Joseph Turnage for the utility's contributions to the City's community events.

- Roberta Williams Salon
- RTC
- Scenter of the Mind
- Stadium Sports Club
- Velofix Chicago North Shore
- Village Bank & Trust



Locally-grown fruits and vegetables have been a City Markets staple since 2013.



Monthly events also feature crafts, games, live music, and more for guests of all ages.

Community Events Update

City Markets Relocate to Community Church for 2018 Event Season

City Markets (formerly known as Farmers & Food Trucks) will begin its sixth season Memorial Day weekend with more than just a subtle name change. The popular community event will also have a new location: Community Church of Rolling Meadows (2720 Kirchoff Road).

Event planners have scheduled five monthly City Markets for 2018 (Saturdays, May 26th, June 23rd, July 21st, August 25th, and September 22nd). Each will be held from 10 am – 2 pm.

Community Church's high-profile site, at the corner of Kirchoff Road and Meadow Drive, offers improved accessibility for guests and a more centralized downtown location, explained Lori Ciezak, Assistant to the City Manager.

Market vendors will be lined up along the sidewalk, which should increase their exposure and help attract passers-by. Food trucks and live music, meanwhile, will be based in the parking lot.

"We're confident the new location will improve visitors' experiences and the events' overall flow," Ciezak explained.

Monthly markets will offer an unparalleled combination of fresh produce, food trucks, art/jewelry, children's activities, live music, home goods, face painting, and more.

Learn more about City Markets by visiting the City's [website](#). To become a vendor, or to help organize each month's events, contact Lori Ciezak at ciezakl@cityrm.org or 847-394-8500.



Rolling Meadows Shopping Center, anchored by Jewel/Osco, is home to several leading national tenants.

National Shopping Center Owner/Operator Invests in Rolling Meadows' Downtown

Phillips Edison & Company, one of the nation's largest owners/operators of market-leading retail centers, is the new owner of the Rolling Meadows Shopping Center on Kirchoff Road after closing on the property in late 2017.

The shopping center, anchored by Jewel/Osco, represented an attractive addition to Phillips Edison's portfolio, according to spokesperson Cherilyn Megill.

"Our investment strategy is predicated on acquiring high-quality shopping centers in strong, growing markets," she explained. "Rolling Meadows Shopping

Center is well-positioned in a community with strong economic and demographic fundamentals."

Megill said the property is also home to several leading national tenants, including Anytime Fitness, Great Clips, and Dollar Tree.

Phillips Edison's efforts to attract new businesses to its properties focus on identifying retailers that match each specific market. City officials have confirmed the shopping center will welcome a new restaurant tenant later this year.

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offers JAWA more flexibility to explore other water sourcing options for the communities they represent.

Historical Background

Before JAWA's founding, water used by Rolling Meadows residents came from underground wells and aquifers. Extensive development in the 1960s and 1970s resulted in these wells beginning to dry up. Meanwhile, the remaining water in these deep wells contained levels of naturally-occurring elements that exceeded recommended state and federal safety levels.

"The City would have had to spend millions of dollars a year to treat the water so it was safe for consumption, but that would not have been a viable long-term strategy," Vogt explained. "As a result, City leaders at that time embraced the opportunity to become a JAWA founding

member and gain access to high-quality, treated water from Lake Michigan."

JAWA is comprised of an Executive Board, made up of the mayors/presidents of the seven member municipalities. There is also an executive committee, comprised of those communities' city/village managers. Learn more at nsmjawa.com.

JAWA Member Communities

- Rolling Meadows
- Elk Grove Village
- Hanover Park
- Hoffman Estates
- Mount Prospect
- Schaumburg
- Streamwood



14th Annual Salt Creek Cleanup to Commemorate Earth Day

Members of the Rolling Meadows Environmental Committee encourage volunteers of all ages to celebrate Earth Day by joining the City's 14th annual Salt Creek Cleanup, Saturday, April 21st, 9 am – noon.

Participants will meet at the Old Public Works Facility (3200 Central Road) to receive their assignments. Residents who would like to participate in this year's cleanup should contact Environmental Committee member Sue Walton (847-397-6181 or suewalt811@gmail.com).

Items on this year's "to do" list include picking up trash along the banks of Salt Creek, removing invasive plants that have taken root in the area, and putting down woodchips for local pathways.

Volunteers should bring their own gloves, boots, and clippers. Public Works will provide bags for collecting trash and other materials.

All participants must complete a waiver before being allowed to join the cleanup. Forms are available at City Hall (3600 Kirchoff Road) and on the [City's website](#).



Volunteers clear out invasive plant species at last year's Salt Creek cleanup.

2nd Annual 'Taste' Draws Over 300 Guests

More than 300 guests sampled great food from over a dozen Rolling Meadows restaurants, grooved to live music, and enjoyed a Saturday evening out with friends and neighbors during the City's 2nd Annual "Taste the Town."

The event, held at the Rolling Meadows Community Center, again proved to be extremely popular with residents. Attendance was more than double that of the prior year, offering participating restaurants a high-profile venue in which to impress potential customers.



Hungry guests sample Taste the Town fare.

"Taste the Town is a great community event for our residents, but it also offers a valuable marketing opportunity for local establishments," explained City Manager Barry Krumstok. "Our thanks to everyone involved – residents, vendors, and especially our volunteers – for another outstanding event."

Taste the Town was co-sponsored by the Rolling Meadows Park District, City of Rolling Meadows, Rolling Meadows Chamber of Commerce, and the Rolling Meadows Community Events Foundation.

Thanks to all our 2018 'Taste the Town' Participants!

Asian Tokyo • Buona Beef
 Chef Ping • Chicago Hickory Roasters
 Fratellos • Gus' Diner
 HoneyBaked Ham • Meijer Baked Goods
 Nothing Bundt Cakes
 Pepe's Mexican Restaurant
 Red Apple Pancake House
 Senor Tacos • Papa Saverio's
 Stadium Sports Club



This Month in Rolling Meadows

April 1: **Easter**

April 2: **Yard waste collection begins**

April 3: **Economic Development Committee**, 6 pm; **Environmental Committee**, 6:30 pm; **Planning & Zoning Commission**, 7:30 pm, all at City Hall

April 5: **Adjudication Hearing (Parking)**, 2 pm, City Hall

April 9: **Board of Fire & Police Commissioners**, 9 am, City Hall

April 10: **Crime Stoppers**, 5:30 pm; **City Council Meeting**, 7:30 pm, both at City Hall

April 12: **Adjudication Hearing**, 1 pm, City Hall

April 17: **City Council Committee of the Whole**, 7:30 pm, City Hall

April 19: **Adjudication Hearing (Red Light)**, 2 pm, City Hall

April 20: **Water bills due**

April 21: **Salt Creek Cleanup**, 9 am – noon, Old Public Works Building (3200 Central Road)

April 22: **Earth Day**

April 24: **City Council Meeting**, 7:30 pm, City Hall

April 27: **Arbor Day**

April 28: **Business & Community Showcase**, 10 – 11 am (private B2B networking); 11 am – 3 pm (open to general public), Rolling Meadows High School

Community Events Volunteers Seek 'A Few Good' Residents to Join Their Ranks

Want to make a difference in your community? Want to give back? Want to be part of a group committed to ensuring that Rolling Meadows will always be "a great place to call home?"



Community Events volunteers: making a difference.

If your answer to any of these questions is "yes," then consider joining the more than two dozen volunteers who help organize and run the City's community events.

Fresh off the success of March's highly successful "Taste the Town" event, we wondered what motivated these volunteers to contribute their time and talents to the cause. Here's what several of them had to say:

"Volunteering is involvement. It brings us such joy to hear about the fun our guests have at the events. It helps us know we played a

small part in that success." – Annette Szafran

"Looking out for only ourselves limits our minds and hearts. Being open to sharing ourselves with others broadens our life experience to an extent you don't realize until you give it a try!" – Pat Wright

"I volunteer because I feel it is important to give back to the community." – Brenda Buske

Residents who would like to volunteer should contact Lori Ciezak, Assistant to the City Manager (847-394-8500 or ciezakl@cityrm.org).





Parade Marshals will help lead this year's Independence Day Parade.

Events Foundation Seeks City Youth Ages 6 – 18 to Serve as July 4th Parade Marshals

Rolling Meadows is seeking six residents between the ages of 6 and 18 to lead this year's Independence Day Parade (Wednesday, July 4th) by serving as official Parade Marshals.

Applications are available on the [City's website](#) or at City Hall (3600 Kirchoff Road). Submit completed applications by

Friday, May 18th, to be considered.

Two applicants will be selected from each of three age groups: 6–9 years; 10-13 years; and 14-18 years.

For more information, contact Assistant to the City Manager Lori Ciezak at 847-394-8500 or ciezakl@cityrm.org.

Retired Air Force Colonel to Keynote Rolling Meadows' 2018 Memorial Day Observance



Retired Colonel Robert L. McKillop

Retired United States Air Force Colonel Robert L. McKillop will deliver the keynote address at the City's 2018 Memorial Day ceremony, Saturday, May 26th, 11:30 am, at the Carillon Tower on Kirchoff Road.

Col. McKillop was a pilot in the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He is past commander of the Mount Prospect VFW Post 1337 and the Mount Prospect American Legion.

This year's observance will follow Rolling Meadows' annual Memorial Day Parade that begins at 11 am. The City will also host its annual Veterans Dinner on Friday, May 25th.

Additional details on these events will be featured in the May/June print edition of *News & Views*. Resident veterans who would like to participate in this year's ceremonies – and have not done so previously – should contact City Hall at 847-394-8500 to be added to the City's database of local veterans.

Welcome New Businesses

Architecnix Inc.

Computer programming/consulting
4410 Dawngate Ct (312-730-7370)

Atlas Stone Distribution

Wholesale natural stone and quartz
3121 Tollview Dr (847-690-9345)

EPAY Systems

Time, labor, human capital management
1701 Golf Rd (T1) #1250
(877-800-3729)

FH Paschein, SN Nielsen & Associates

General contractor
3320 Tollview Dr (773-444-3474)

HiThink Financial Service Inc.

Mobile app development
5005 Newport Dr #500 (847-221-0123)

Label Graphics Co.

Printing/flexographic
1225 Carnegie St #104B (847-454-1005)

Law Offices of Soojae Lee/ OP Property Management

Legal & property management
3501 Algonquin Rd #532
(847-496-4880)

Lone Rover Construction Inc.

General contractor
1051 Rohlwing Rd Ste. D (678-624-1441)

Marc Realty

Commercial real estate management
3701 Algonquin Rd #330
(847-670-8157)

MW Recyclers Inc.

Electronics recycling
1225 Carnegie St # 104B (847-463-6015)

Neptune Management Corp.

Funeral service retail office
2380 Hicks Rd (954-556-9424)

Royaume Design

General contractor office
2406 Algonquin Rd #1
(847-802-8966)

SCS & Associates

Research & consulting
115 Honeysuckle Ct (847-991-0500)

Stewart Title Company

Real Estate Title Insurance
3601 Algonquin Rd #220 (847-221-1170)

Unbreakable Ink

Fine art & tattooing
1500 Hicks Rd #300 (224-248-9110)

Police Officers Take ‘Polar Plunge’ to Support Illinois Special Olympics; Help Raise \$86,000

Several of Rolling Meadows’ finest helped raise more than \$86,000 overall for Illinois Special Olympics by taking a February “Polar Plunge” at Twin Lakes Golf Course in Palatine.

Those who braved icy cold waters included Community Service Officer Ellie Nordin; Officers Dave Ellis, Geunyoung Pak, and Steve Whetstone; and Police Chief John Nowacki (all dressed in vin-



RMPD employees “chill out” before (above) and after (left) taking the Polar Plunge.

tage 1970s & 1980s rock band regalia). RMPD will continue its support for Illinois Special Olympics this summer, during the organization’s Law Enforcement Torch Run. For more information, visit www.soill.org/law-enforcement-torch-run.

Senior Handyman Program Helps with Household Repairs

Rolling Meadows’ Senior Handyman Program connects residents ages 65 and up with a fully trained, trustworthy handyman to perform minor household repairs at a rate of \$35 per hour or less, depending on seniors’ income.

Handyman Tom Thompson, who has been the face of the program since 2001, offers a range of services, including:

- Leaky faucet repair.
- Light fixture repair/replacement.
- Drywall repair.
- Toilet and drain repairs.

For more information on the Senior Handyman program, contact the Community Development Division (847-506-6030). Contact Tom Thompson directly at 847-870-7751 to schedule a service appointment.

Separate Yard Waste from Household Refuse

Did You Know? Yard waste collected by Rolling Meadows refuse crews does not end up in landfills. Instead, it is delivered to an environmentally-friendly composting facility for processing.

Public Works makes it easy for residents to keep their household refuse and yard waste separate for collection with just a few simple steps:

1. Place yard waste in 30-gallon kraft paper bags. Roll down the bags’ tops to seal them and prevent spillage. This

also makes it easier for refuse employees to pick them up.

2. Use a thick marker to write an X on the front of each bag containing yard waste.
3. Place bags containing yard waste away from household refuse awaiting pick-up – preferably on the opposite side of the driveway.

For more information, contact the Public Works Department at 847-963-0500 or visit the [Department’s webpage](#).



Mark yard waste bags with an “X” and place at opposite side of the driveway from regular refuse.

Contact City Officials: City Hall Hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday

MAYOR and CITY COUNCIL

Mayor: <i>Len Prejna</i>	847-776-9442
1st Ward Alderman: <i>Mike Cannon</i>	847-925-8919
2nd Ward Alderman: <i>Nick Budmats</i>	847-202-0855
3rd Ward Alderman: <i>Laura Majikes</i>	847-577-3746
4th Ward Alderman: <i>Joseph Gallo</i>	847-814-9271
5th Ward Alderman: <i>Rob Banger, Jr.</i>	224-639-6686
6th Ward Alderman: <i>John D’Astice</i>	847-409-9367
7th Ward Alderman: <i>Tim Veenbaas</i>	847-385-1425
City Manager: <i>Barry Krumstok</i>	847-394-8500

SERVICES

Fire & Police Emergency	911
Fire Non-emergency	847-397-3352
Police Non-emergency	847-255-2416
Public Works	847-963-0500
Finance/Utility Billing Questions.	847-394-8500
Community Development	847-506-6030
Senior Handyman Program	847-506-6030
ComEd	1-800-EDISON-1
Curfew Sun. – Thurs. 11 p.m.; Fri. & Sat. Midnight	



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