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Ward 4 Newsletter

Parks & Recreation Happenings

Purchase your swimming pool season passes by June 16 to get your early bird rates Pools open Sunday, June 10.

SUMMER CLASSES

Sign up now for tennis lessons, Jr ghost hunting, learn to swim lessons, and day camp. Don't run the risk of getting closed out.

BIKE DAY 2012

Sunday, May 20th
1:00 - 2:30pm
Euclid Ave. Pool
Parking Lot
Bring your bike!



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SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CHANGES STARTING JULY 1

As previously communicated by both myself and the Mayor, we have officially negotiated changes to the waste disposal contract with Waste Management. Willoughby was one of the last communities including this service with no cost to the residents. State budget reductions along with the end of Estate Taxes are putting a huge burden on our budget so we are moving forward with one of the recommendations from the Fiscal Task Force report. Effective July 1st all single family homes will contract directly with Waste Management for a monthly cost under \$15, which is a very favorable rate compared to other communities. Service policies will remain the same with the addition of curbside recycling. For those not needing full service, there will be a per bag option. Details on service packages and options will be mailed to every household in the near future. Condominiums and apartments will negotiate their own agreements and I am sure Waste Management would like to bid on that service. Let me know if you have any questions or need assistance during this transition.

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

Mike Maniche has agreed to represent Ward 4 as a member of the Willoughby Charter Review Commission. There will be public hearings and you can also let me know if you would like me to pass on any of your feedback or comments regarding the City Charter. SECTION XII-2. CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION.

Within one month of Jan., 2000, and every six (6) years thereafter, the Mayor shall convene a Charter Review Commission consisting of 9 electors of the Municipality, 7 of whom shall be appointed, one by each member of Council and 2 by the Mayor. The Commission shall serve until the next succeeding general election. The Commission shall determine its rules of order and be responsible for reviewing the Charter and recommending any alterations, revisions, or amendments as are desirable in the judgment of the Commission. The Commission shall conduct meetings, hearings, and investigations as it deems necessary and shall submit amendments to the Council, no later than Aug. 1st following the appointment of the Commission. Upon receipt of such amendments, the Council shall consider such recommendations and take such action regarding the submission to the electors of any such proposed alterations, revisions, and amendments of this Charter as the Council shall deem advisable in the manner provided in Article XII, Section 1.

DRUG ABUSE CONTROL ORDINANCE AMENDED

I am pleased to share that Willoughby has amended our Drug Abuse Control Ord. with changes that prohibit the use, possession & sale of synthetic drugs. The State Law is too specific & manufacturers have skirted the law and continue to sell these products. We now have a local ordinance that will allow us to restrict the sale of these products in our City.

HOME SAVINGS AND LOAN MOVING INTO NORTHMARK BLDG.

The Northmark Building (off SOM, behind Steak and Shake) has been empty since CT Consultants moved to Mentor. Home Savings and Loan is taking over the building and moving their regional office, with 65 new jobs into this building in the near future. Good news for Willoughby and our area.