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## Lake Bluff Letter

### Route 176 Lane Closures THIS SATURDAY

On Saturday, September 23, Route 176 (Rockland Road) will be subject to intermittent lane closures and reduced speeds from **7 a.m. to noon** at the at-grade railroad crossing just east of U.S. 41 (Skokie Highway). Union Pacific contractors are smoothing the road surface for vehicles crossing the railway. Drivers should travel carefully through the work zone and plan for delays.

### Calendar Events - [View All](#)

#### [Lake Bluff Brewing Company Block Party](#)

Saturday, September 23, 2017 - 5:00pm

#### [Committee of the Whole](#)

Monday, September 25, 2017 - 6:00pm

#### [Village Board Meeting](#)

Monday, September 25, 2017 - 7:00pm

#### [Plan Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals Special Meeting](#)

Tuesday, September 26, 2017 - 6:30pm

#### [Residential Building Ad Hoc Committee](#)

Tuesday, September 26, 2017 - 7:00pm

#### [Farmers' Market](#)

Friday, September 29, 2017 - 7:00am

### Recent Board and Committee Actions

For more information, visit the Village's [meeting packets and videos page](#). Agendas and meeting materials are typically available the Friday before a meeting; videos within a week after the meeting; and minutes after they are approved at the next meeting of the public body. Not all meetings are recorded on video.

#### **Recent Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting (September 20):**

- Open and continued a public hearing regarding a special use permit application for Chevy Exchange (1 Sherwood Terrace and 915 Sherwood Drive)
- Opened a public hearing and granted a variation for 511 East Prospect Avenue
- Held a conceptual workshop regarding possible development at 15 E. Washington Ave
- Opened and continued a public hearing regarding a variation at 718 Sheridan Road

#### **Upcoming Committee of the Whole Meeting (September 25):**

- Discussion regarding short-term rental regulations.

**Upcoming Village Board Meeting (September 25):** The Board will consider...

- A proclamation declaring October as *Fire Prevention Month*.
- A resolution honoring the public service of Finance Director Susan Griffin.
- **Be Market:** Liquor licenses and outdoor dining facilities for Tempehl Co. d/b/a Be Market at 30 E. Scranton Avenue (formerly Wisma).
- An agreement with Baxter & Woodman to complete the Phase II Design of the Moffett Road Bridge repair and resurfacing project.
- **Finance Director Transition:** Designating Bettina K. O'Connell as a Village agent in regards to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund and the North Suburban Employee Benefit Cooperative.
- Adoption of the Lake County All Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan.

#### **Upcoming Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Special Meeting (September 26):**

- Continuation of Comprehensive Plan Housing Workshop, held at the Lake Bluff Park District.

#### **Upcoming Residential Building Ad Hoc Committee (September 26):**

- Discussion of the Committee's work plan.

**Upcoming Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee has been RESCHEDULED to Thursday, October 5.**

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## Village News

### [Open: Bids for Train Station Renovation](#)

The Village of Lake Bluff is accepting bids to complete renovations at the Lake Bluff Metra Station building and waiting platforms, including new roofs, masonry repair and tuckpointing, exterior painting, LED lighting upgrades (interior and exterior), bathroom improvements, and door repairs. The selected Contractor must substantially complete the work no later than June 15, 2018. Full bid documents are available from BHFx. On [BHFxplanroom.com](http://BHFxplanroom.com), select "Public Projects", then "Building Renovation Project."

Bid submittals may be directed to: Village of Lake Bluff, c/o Mike Croak, 40 E. Center Ave, Lake Bluff, IL 60044.

A pre-bid meeting will be held 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, September 21, 2017 at the Station (600 N. Sheridan Rd.).

Bids will be opened at 11:00 A.M. on October 12, 2017, by which time all bids must be received by the Village to be considered.

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### [Help Our Schools Help Hurricane Harvey Families](#)

Many families in the Houston Independent School District have been devastated by the catastrophic flooding caused by Hurricane Harvey. Lake Bluff's elementary and middle schools are collecting donations of new and unused clothing, shoes, underwear, socks, uniforms, school supplies, canned food, and bottled water that can help Houston students recover and prepare for the coming school year. Please, consider dropping off a contribution at either campus.

[Printable Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

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### [Upcoming History Museum Events](#)

The Lake Bluff History Museum ([lakebluffhistory.org](http://lakebluffhistory.org)) is hosting two exciting events soon:

- [Tour Crab Tree Farm Arts and Crafts Collection.](#) *September 23, 10:00 a.m. and 1 p.m., 982 Sheridan Road.* Crab Tree Farm was built in 1910, after fire destroyed the original farm buildings. The buildings were designed and built, by Architect Solon Beman, as a model dairy farm for Grace Durand. Durand was a successful businesswoman who was trained in agricultural science and well known for her modern methods of dairy farming. The farm buildings have undergone extensive renovation since Durand's time and now house the finest collection of Arts and Crafts furnishings in the country. Tickets cost \$35 and can be purchased at the Museum or by mail (order form available online).

- *Camp Meetings, Chautauquas, Artists and Anarchists - Tour Historic East Lake Bluff. October 1, 1 p.m., 525 East Prospect Avenue.* This docent-led tour covers much of the area developed in the late 1800s by the Camp Meeting Association and provides history on the Camp Meetings, the Chautauqua Movement, and a period in the early 1900s when Lake Bluff was a destination attracting an eclectic mix of writers, poets, musicians, artists and anarchists. Multiple tour groups leave from the Union Church, 525 East Prospect, Lake Bluff, IL, at 10 to 15 minute intervals with the first tour group leaving at 1 pm. The tour is approximately 90 minutes in length. Tickets cost \$10 and can be reserved by calling (847) 482-1571 or by e-mailing [tickets@lakebluffhistory.org](mailto:tickets@lakebluffhistory.org).

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### [Accepting Applications: Police Officer](#)

The Village of Lake Bluff is now accepting applications for Police Officers. A full list of qualifications can be found at the application website: [Apply Now! Police Officer](#). Applications will **only** be accepted via the website.

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### [Flooding Q&A with Village Engineer Jeff Hansen](#)

On Wednesday, July 12, the Village of Lake Bluff experienced a significant rain storm that has been estimated as a 140-year storm by Lake County. The Village saw about 7 inches of rain in less than 10 hours. This resulted in flooded basements and the closure of many local streets such as Green Bay Road and highways including Route 176 and Route 41. Due to the scale and damage of the storm, the State of Illinois and Lake County declared an emergency. The Federal government may also declare the July 12 storm to be a natural disaster. This exceptional rain storm was followed by two other significant rain events occurring on July 20 and August 3. More flooding occurred in the Village due to the saturated ground and high intensity of rainfall, although it was not as damaging as the July 12 storm.

[Read More](#)

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In the event that Meeting Agenda links do not properly function, subscribers may find agendas posted on the Home Page at [www.lakebluff.org](http://www.lakebluff.org). All Board and Commission [Meeting Minutes](#) are generally approved at the next regular meeting and posted on the website the following day.

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