

The Elkhart Echo



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VILLAGE BOARD NEWS

Mayor Lyle Fout called the meeting to order on October 2, 2023, at 6:30 P.M. at the Elkhart Village Hall. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken. Answering present: Dave Barker, Kyle Farmer, John Galassi, Matt Fights, Travis Moore, and Ernie Shaw. Attorney Don Behle, Clerk Ann Curry, and Treasurer Theresa Moore were also present. Visitor present was Cam McClellan.

Motion by Matt Fights, second by Travis Moore, to approve Consent Agenda Items, A, B, C, and D.

- A. Approve meeting minutes from September 11, 2023
- B. Approve submitted bills and bill sheets
- C. Approve employee reimbursements
- D. Approve Treasurer's report

Roll call vote. All yeas. No nay. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC

None.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

The local Mayors meeting will be October 12, 2023 at the Village Hall.

ATTORNEY

No report.

LIQUOR

No report.

TIF REPORT

The Elkhart Library sent a letter wanting to be reimbursed for the cost of their new roof. The TIF attorney said usually a request is made before a project is started and an estimate given and it is usually only 20% paid. He is requesting copies of the bills. We will address this next month.

SOLID WASTE

No report.

LOCAL EVENTS LIAISON/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Trick or Treating hours will be 5pm to 8pm on October 31, 2023.

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT

The generator is ordered and will be in at the end of November.

Lyle is going to look into EPA doing all water samples because the current company has price increases.

The EPA has contacted Lyle about doing a study on lead pipes in the Village. We have until April 2024 to get this completed.

There will be a hearing on October 16, 2023 on the Preliminary Environmental Impacts Determination.

STREETS/ALLEYS

Main Street will be done 2 weeks from today.

BUILDINGS/VILLAGE PROPERTIES/EQUIPMENT

The new garage door has been ordered and will be here in 5 or 6 weeks.

VILLAGE PARK

Ernie has been in contact with DNR about the pond and they will be sending an agreement for the Village to go over.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

No report.

FINANCE

Dave will have the tax levy for review next month.

OLD BUSINESS

There was a discussion on the Right of Way Use Agreement for Broadband Internet.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

RESOLUTIONS

None.

ORDINANCE

Motion by Kyle Farmer, second by Ernie Shaw to pass Ordinance 2023-09, Right of Way Use Agreement for Broadband Internet By and Between the Village of Elkhart and Essex Telcom, Inc, dba Rise Broadband. Roll call vote. Those voting yea: Dave Barker, Kyle Farmer, Matt Fights, John Galassi, Travis Moore, and Ernie Shaw. Those voting nay: none. Those absent: none. Ordinance adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Travis Moore, second by Matt Fights, to adjourn at 6:44pm. Voice vote. All yeas. No nay. Motion carried.

Submitted By
Ann Curry/Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF ELKHART, ILLINOIS

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Village of Elkhart, Illinois intends to construct a New Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection System (the "Project"). The Village has prepared a Facility Plan regarding the Project. The proposed financing of the Project is through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Loan Program. As a condition of the proposed funding, a Project Summary and Preliminary Environmental Impact Determination (PEID) has been prepared by the IEPA and is available for viewing and comment. The PEID report, along with the Facility Plan, can be viewed at Elkhart Village Hall, 209 Governor Oglesby Street, Elkhart, IL 62634 during normal business hours, as well as at the offices of Fehr Graham Engineering and Environmental, 1610 Broadmoor Drive, Champaign, IL 61821. A Public Hearing to answer questions or receive comments regarding the PEID report and the Facility Plan will be held on Monday, October 16th, 2023, at 6:00 PM at Elkhart Village Hall, 209 Governor Oglesby Street, Elkhart, IL 62634. Written public comments regarding the PEID report and Facility Plan can be directed to the Village of Elkhart President or directly to Jillian Fowler of the Infrastructure Financial Assistance Section, Illinois EPA, 1021 North Grand Avenue East, PO Box 19276, Springfield, IL 62794-9276, for a period of 10 days following the hearing.

Lyle Fout, Village President



ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

1021 NORTH GRAND AVENUE EAST, P.O. BOX 19276, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62794-9276 • (217) 782-3397

JB PRITZKER, GOVERNOR

JOHN J. KIM, DIRECTOR

Corrected Project Summary and Preliminary Environmental Impacts Determination

Date: **SEP 19 2023**

Loan Applicant: Village of Elkhart

IEPA Loan Project Number: L170472

To all interested persons:

Section 365.330 of the Illinois Procedures for Issuing Loans from the Water Pollution Control Loan Program requires that the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) conduct an assessment of the environmental impacts of proposed wastewater projects to be funded with loans. This review is carried out in conjunction with the Agency's review of the applicant's project plan.

Prior to final approval of the project plan, the public's comments are sought regarding environmental impacts of the proposed project. Unless new information obtained through the public comment process causes reconsideration, the Agency will approve the project plan at the close of the public comment period.

The applicant will make the attached Project Summary and Preliminary Environmental Impacts Determination (PEID) available for public inspection. Within 60 days of receiving this letter, the applicant must conduct a public hearing regarding both the PEID and project planning. Advertisement of the hearing must be made at least 10 days in advance. The advertisement must include the purpose of the project along with the date, time, and location of the hearing. A comment period of at least 10 days shall be provided after the hearing in which written comments may be submitted to the loan applicant or to the IEPA contact person identified in the attached document.

For information purposes only, a copy of this document is being provided to your local newspaper of record.

Your participation in this process is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gary Bingenheimer, P.E.
Manager
Infrastructure Financial Assistance Section
Bureau of Water

GB:JFPEID - ELKHART - L170472.DOCX

Attachment

Project Summary and Environmental Assessment

The Village of Elkhart has applied to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's (IEPA) Water Pollution Control loan program to request funding to help finance a wastewater collection and treatment system improvements project. The following project summary and environmental assessment has been prepared by the IEPA to assist the loan applicant comply with the public notice requirements.

This report is based on information submitted to the IEPA by the Village of Elkhart. Sources of information include the following documents: New Sanitary Sewer System Facility Plan dated May 15, 2023. This information was submitted by the Village of Elkhart and was prepared by Fehr Graham.

Part I – Project Information

Loan Applicant: Village of Elkhart

County: Logan

Project Name: New Sanitary Sewer System Facility Plan

Project Numbers: L170472

Current Population Served: 450

Future Population (20 year): 700

Project Description: The proposed project consists of the construction of a new sanitary sewer collection system consisting of the following: approximately 1,000 feet of 12 inch diameter sanitary sewers; 2,500 feet of 10 inch diameter sanitary sewers; 20,000 feet of 8 inch diameter sanitary sewers; 350 feet of bored and jacked 20 inch steel casting pipe with 12 inch sanitary carrier pipe under Route 66 and the Union Pacific (UP) railroad crossing; 150 feet of bored and jacked 20 inch steel casing pipe with 12 inch sanitary carrier pipe under Elkhart Slough, one (1) duplex submersible sanitary pump station with 1,000 feet of 6 inch forcemain; about eighty (80) 4 foot diameter sanitary manholes; approximately 223 connections (totaling about 12,000 feet) of 6 inch sanitary sewer service connections including sewer services and fittings; and other incidental site improvements items. The project also consists of construction of a new waste water treatment plant (WWTP) consisting of a new headworks building with one (1) fine screen, one (1) bypass manual bar screen, in channel Parshall Flume Flow Measurement, one (1) covered and aerated two-cell lagoon with baffles, covers, aeration diffusion systems, one polishing reactor, two (2) 15 horsepower (each) blowers, chlorine contact tank, chlorine feed system, sodium bisulfite de-chlorination feed system, effluent flow measurement system, process building and an outfall structure near Elkhart Slough. The proposed WWTP will have a Design Average Flow (DAF) of 0.07 million gallons per day (MGD) and a Design Maximum Flow (DMF) of 0.18 MGD.

Project Location: The proposed location of the new WWTP is in the northwestern part of the Village, south of interstate 55 and west of the Elkhart Slough. Maps showing the proposed location of the new WWTP, and the proposed collection system can be seen in the attached project map.

Project Justification: The Village currently relies solely on the individual septic tank treatment and discharge systems rather than a centralized wastewater collection and treatment facilities. Many of these existing septic tanks have likely failed, and the others are expected to fail as they continue to age, leaving homes uninhabitable. This method has many negative impacts that affect almost all facets of a municipality, including pollution of natural resources, discouragement of future economic and cultural development, and a significant decrease in financial security for both the Village and its residents. To mitigate these negative socio-economic and environmental impacts, the Village has decided to consider constructing a new sanitary sewer system and wastewater treatment plant to provide reliable wastewater treatment capabilities to the residents and businesses.

Estimated Construction Start Date: July 2025

Estimated Construction Competition Date: December 2027

Total Project Cost Estimate: \$13,000,400.00 (with contingency)

Part II – Environmental Issues Associated with the Project

Project construction impacts: Temporary adverse environmental impacts such as construction-associated noise, blowing dust, air emissions, traffic disruption, and soil erosion will likely occur during construction.

Illinois Department of Natural Resources: The loan applicant submitted project information to the IDNR EcoCAT website to determine compliance with the Illinois Endangered Species Act, Illinois Natural Areas Preservation Act, the Illinois Wetlands Act, and Title 17 Ill. Adm. Code Parts 1075 and 1090. The Department has concluded that adverse effects are unlikely. However, impacts to North Elkhart Hill Grove and Water Reserve, Elkhart Hill Grove Nature Preserve, and Elkhart Hill Grove Land and Water Reserve are prohibited by state regulation. All necessary precautions to avoid impacts to Dedicated Nature Preserves shall be implemented. This information will be included in the plans and specifications of the project.

Illinois Historic Preservation Division of IDNR: An IDNR letter dated April 5, 2023 indicates that there are no anticipated impacts to historic, architectural, and archaeological resources from the proposed project and that it complies with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE): The loan applicant submitted their project information to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for their review and determination of requirements related to placement, or excavation, of any dredged or fill materials into rivers, lakes, ponds, large and small streams with perennial, intermittent or ephemeral flow, artificial water bodies and wetlands adjacent to these waters and associated permitting. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District letter dated June 2, 2023, indicates that the proposed project appears to fit the category of activities described in Nationwide Permit 58 for Utility Line Activities for Water and Other Substances. The applicant will be required to complete and return the “Completed Work Certification” form upon project completion. This permit will also be included in the plans and specifications of the project.

Part III – Project Affordability for Residents and Utility Customers

Construction:	\$9,964,000
Contingency (10%):	\$996,400
Construction Engineering:	\$878,000
Design Engineering:	\$1,097,000
Professional Services:	\$65,000
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Project Total:	\$13,000,400
UCCGP Grant:	(\$5,000,000)
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Anticipated Loan Amount:	\$8,000,400

The applicant is proposing to finance the project costs with a loan from the IEPA WPCLP and a grant from the IEPA Unsewered Communities Construction Grant Program (UCCGP). A \$8,000,400 loan with an estimated interest rate of 1.81% for a twenty (20) year period, would have an annual repayment of approximately \$477,081.

The loan program rules include provisions for incentives such as reduced interest rates, partial principal forgiveness (a reduction in the amount of principal borrowed that would otherwise have to be repaid), and

extended repayment periods for qualifying applicants. The criteria used to determine incentive qualification are found in Section 365.210 and 365.250 of the Procedures for Issuing Loans from the WPCLP which is available on the Agency's website. The final decision for incentive qualification will be determined at the time a loan agreement is issued using updated Census Bureau and Department of Labor data. The Agency adjusts qualifying criteria annually on July 1st.

Using current data, Applicant is eligible to receive a thirty (30) year loan term, 1.36% small community interest rate, environmental discount rate reduction, and partial loan principal forgiveness. Principal forgiveness is not guaranteed until a loan agreement is issued.

The final loan and annual repayment amounts will be based on the as-bid project costs, and the loan terms in effect on the date the loan agreement is issued.

Source of Loan Repayment: The revenue generated from the user charges is what the Village anticipates to use to repay the loan.

Projected Average Monthly Residential Cost of Service: The proposed sewer flat fee amount is dependent upon the IEPA loan incentives available to the Village. If the Village does not receive any loan principal forgiveness, the new sewer flat fee is anticipated to be \$220.00 per month. If the Village receives the qualifying 15% principal forgiveness loan incentive as well as the IEPA Unsewered Communities Construction Grant, the new sewer flat fee is anticipated to be \$97.00 per month.

Number of Customers or Service Connections: The Village anticipates approximately 223 service connections consisting of 216 residential connections and 7 commercial connections.

Median Household Income (MHI): \$77,500

Financial Impact of the proposed project: In order to determine the financial impact of the proposed project on the community, a percentage comparison of the MHI to the annual cost for water service is utilized. According to the most recent census information, the average MHI of the loan applicant is \$77,500. The projected total annual sewer service cost of \$1,164.00 is 1.50 percent of the MHI for the applicant's sewer users. Any amount less than 2.0 percent is considered to be affordable under State and Federal loan program criteria.

Public comments are invited on the proposed project. For further information contact:

Jillian Fowler, Project Manager
Infrastructure Financial Assistance Section
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Bureau of Water
1021 North Grand Avenue East
P.O. Box 19276
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276
(217)782-2027

Village of Elkhart, IL

Municipal Boundaries

Proposed
WWTP Site

Proposed Sanitary
Sewer System
(Throughout)

Elkhart

County Rd 600 E

Kennedy Rd

Kennedy St

Kennedy St

700th St

S Gille St

Older Rd 66



4000 ft

Google Earth

Mailing List – Environmental Review

Project: Village of Elkhart - New WWTP & Collection System

L17: 0472

Check entities to receive Preliminary Environmental Impacts Determination/Notice of Categorical Exclusion. Agencies may be omitted if they have already provided an unconditional written sign-off on the planning.

_____ Illinois Historic Preservation Agency (SHPO)

_____ Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Office of Realty & Environmental Planning (for rare/endangered species, natural areas, and Interagency Wetlands Policy Act)

_____ Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Office of Water Resources (for lakes, rivers and stream crossings, floodway/floodplain construction)

_____ Illinois Department of Agriculture

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Check Appropriate Regional Office

_____ Rock Island District

_____ St. Louis District

_____ Chicago District

Designated 208 Areawide Planning Agency – Check Appropriate Agency

_____ CMAP

_____ GERPDC

_____ SWIPC

Green Infrastructure Coordinator: Chris Covert

IEPA Field Office (Springfield-Region 5)

Loan Applicant

Mr. Lyle Font, Village President

Village of Elkhart

209 Governor Oglesby Street

Elkhart, IL 62634

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Local Newspaper of Record

State Journal-Register

Quantum Centre

421 South Grand Ave. W

Springfield, IL 62704

Consulting Engineer

Fehr Graham

Attn: Michelle Brown & Narendra Patel, PE

1610 Broadmoor Drive

Champaign, IL 61821

X Other Interested Parties

Clerk, Village of Elkhart

Scan to: Jillian Fowler

BCC: Chron File

Planning File

Jillian Fowler

Project Manager: Jillian Fowler

Date: 8-31-2023

Copies of the Preliminary Environmental Impacts Determination/Notice of Categorical Exclusion have been mailed to the above entities.

Signed: Maryna Bell

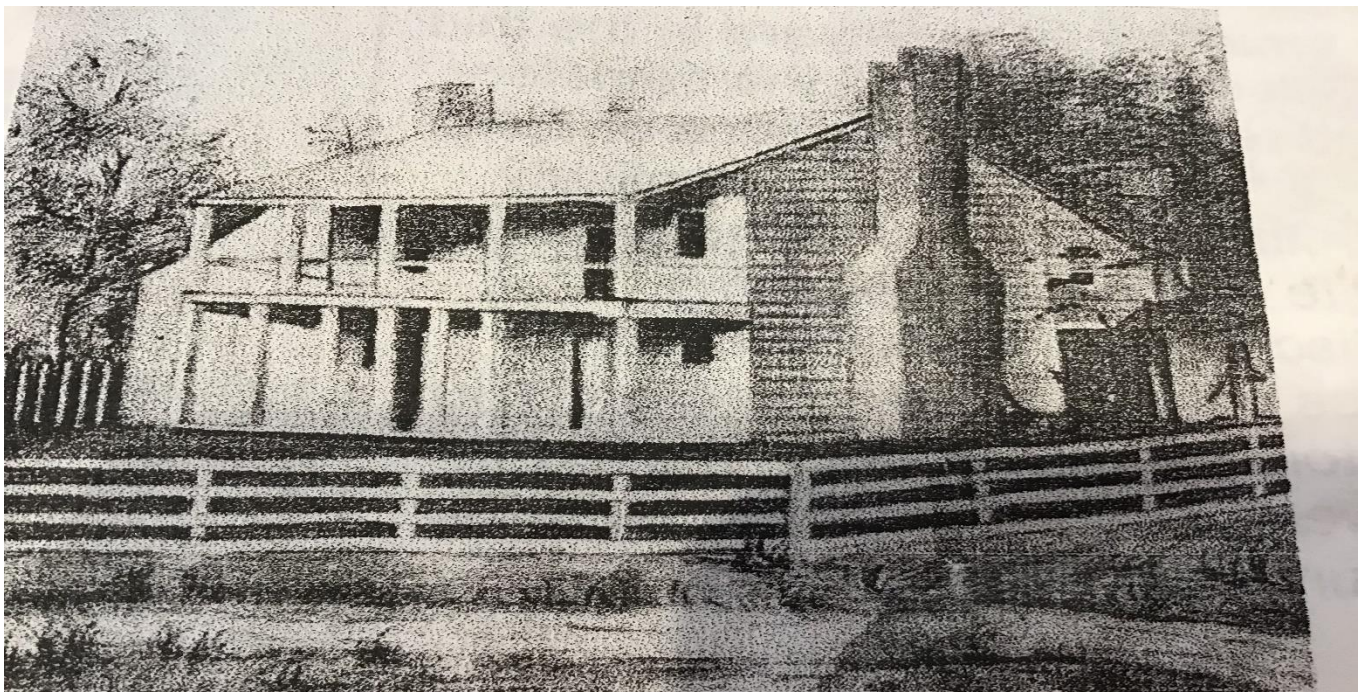
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WHAT MAKES ELKHART UNIQUE AND SPECIAL?

THE KENTUCKY HOUSE/TAVERN

Have you ever noticed when you are in the Elkhart Town Hall the painting on the west wall of the main meeting room (perhaps when you went there to vote or play Bingo or any time)? You are looking at a rendition of the original Latham log cabin and the Kentucky House.

Richard Latham, who came with his father to Elkhart Hill/Grove in 1819, officially laid claim to land for himself in Section 18 of what is now Elkhart Township in 1824. He had built a (log cabin) home at the base of Elkhart Hill situated along an old Indian trail known as "Edwards' Trace". This was a busy "trail" as it was the route used by most people to get from south of Springfield to north around Peoria. The trail had so much traffic that in 1828 Richard expanded his original cabin into a much larger two-story structure, complete with a two story porch on the front, to accommodate travelers by foot, on horse, or eventually traveling by stagecoach.



The Kentucky House circa 1845

This tavern, known as the "Kentucky House" provided evening meals and overnight lodging for assorted travelers and income for the Latham family. It was a stagecoach stop on both the Springfield to Bloomington route as well as the Springfield to Ft. Clark (Peoria) route. Some well-known travelers who stopped and stayed here include lawyers and judges who "traveled the circuit", such as Abraham Lincoln, John T. Stuart, Stephen A. Douglas, David Davis, Stephen T. Logan, and many others.

The Latham's sold the tavern (and the land that would become the town of Elkhart) to John Shockey around 1853. But big changes were coming. The "iron horse" was coming to central Illinois! The railroad had built a line from Alton to Springfield by 1852. The Chicago and Mississippi Railroad line was extended to Elkhart by 1853 and completed as far as Bloomington-Normal. A new hotel was constructed along the railroad, and soon the Kentucky House became obsolete. It was almost destroyed by a fire in 1876 and was abandoned soon afterwards.

A Tribute to American Patriotism

Elkhart Historical Society

October 20, 2023 Dinner Lecture

Charles "Chuck" Fricke, a local businessman for over 50 years in Logan County and popular speaker, will be welcomed back to the podium for the Elkhart Historical Society's dinner lecture event on Friday, October 20, 2023. The dinner lecture will be held at the Wild Hare Café, Elkhart, Illinois, 5:30 p.m. Chuck will share his love of country with a tribute to American patriotism, the history of Old Glory (including the design and symbolism of the different U.S. flags), and faith in its heritage. He will also share the untold/unknown historical facts of a medical corpsman during World War II, serving under General Patton and General Bradley, as they toured through Africa and Italy.

Chuck is a 1973 graduate of Chicago Worsham Mortuary School and University of Illinois (Springfield) with a business degree in Organizational Management. He served as the State's youngest president of the Illinois Funeral Directors' Association in 1983. He later served as a Board Examiner on the National Funeral Directors' level, as well as being appointed to the State Board of Examiners by the governor in 1984.

Chuck graduated in 1973 from the State's first Emergency Medical Technicians' Assistance Program (EMT-A), and he later served as Director of the Emergency Service Disaster Agency in Mt. Pulaski, Illinois.

Reservations must be made by calling 217 947 2238. After receiving confirmation, fill in the reservation form indicating your choice of entrée and dessert, and mail it in within 5 business days with your check to The Elkhart Historical Society. The inclusive cost per person is \$45, and covers the meal, tax, and tip, of which \$15 is for the Elkhart Historical Society program. The deadline for reservations is October 9th. For reservation forms go to www.elkharthistoricalsociety.org

Doors open at 5p and dinner service begins promptly at 5:30p. Additional parking is one block east of the restaurant on Gov. Oglesby Street.



**ELKHART HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S DINNER LECTURE
FRIDAY OCTOBER 20, 2023, 5:30P
"A TRIBUTE TO AMERICAN PATRIOTISM" BY CHUCK FRICKE**

Name _____ Address _____

Phone # _____ cell # _____ Email _____

The Wild Hare Café provides all the delicious meals for our Elkhart Historical Society functions as well as providing a homey atmosphere. We bundle it into an all-inclusive package price of \$45, for the meal, tax, and tip, which includes \$15 for the Elkhart Historical Society program.

Please make your selection:

Coq au vin _____ OR
Beef bourguignon _____

Dessert choices: fruit cobbler with dollop of cream _____ OR
Ice Cream and chocolate sauce _____

Both are served with herbed mashed potatoes, baby carrots, green beans and grilled artisan bread as well as a selection of tea or coffee. You are invited to bring wine or beer; glasses and openers will be provided.

Reservations are required as space is limited and can only be made by calling **217-947-2238 no later than October 9th- - Once you are confirmed, print this form, fill it out and mail it with your check payable to: The Elkhart Historical Society, P.O. 255, Elkhart, IL 62634
Prompt payment is required as **RESERVATIONS CANNOT BE HELD LONGER THAN 5 BUSINESS DAYS WITHOUT PAYMENT.** Doors open at 5p- -Additional parking one block east by the Village Hall. **After** placing your reservation, you may also fill out a form and submit it with your check at The Country Bumpkin (Wed-Sun 10-3p) Additional information and reservation forms for this & other upcoming events can be found on the Elkhart Historical Society website:
www.elkharthistoricalsociety.org**

"RESERVATIONS WILL BE HELD ONLY UPON RECEIPT OF PAYMENT"

If you are joining others and wish to be seated with them please list their names below.

Elkhart Historical Society
Press Release
Christmas Candlelight Service
December 2 – 3, 2023

The Elkhart Historical Society will host this year's Christmas Candlelight Service with four performances on Saturday, December 2 and one afternoon performance on Sunday, December 3, at the St. John the Baptist Chapel located on Elkhart Hill. Each year's Candlelight Service brings a new and fresh presentation, resulting in sell-out performances consisting of beautiful segments of music and inspirational script. Saturday performances are at 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 5:30 p.m., and 8:00 p.m. Sunday's matinee is at 2 p.m.

Titled "Christmas Advent," this year's theme is developed by Tim Searby of Lincoln, Illinois. Tim is well-known as a gifted musician, choir and drama director, and producer of countless musicales, including the very popular annual Harvest of Talents Annual Musical held in Lincoln, Illinois.

Tim has assembled a cast of impressively talented musicians, including a 6-voice chorale, trumpeters, cellist, and organist, along with a stunning angel dramatist and talented readers who will lead us into Christmas reflections. Add to this the aura of the stunning historic stone chapel, lit with candlelight, outdoor luminaria, and Christmas greens, and the complete experience will be the perfect beginning to your Christmas observances.

Combining the service with an optional delicious holiday meal with all the trimmings at Horsefeathers Wild Hare Café, before or after the service, can create a lasting memory with friends or family. Please let us coordinate the meal option when you reserve your service to complete your evening. Prior to calling, please go to the website for downloadable reservation forms with all the service and menu information times and prices: elkharthistoricalsociety.org

Any extra time between services and meals can always be spent exploring the quaint shops in the business district of Elkhart and be sure to visit on November 18 between 9a-5p for our annual Elkhart Village Christmas Open House, where special gifts, tasty treats and warm drinks are offered.

The Elkhart Historical Society membership information is also included as our dues for the 2024 year are now due and timed perfectly with the release of the 2024 calendar. A regular family or single membership is \$25 and a Senior Citizen family or single is \$20. A calendar without membership is \$25. A free calendar is given with each new or renewed membership. Please consider joining, if you are not already a member, as many new projects are in the pipeline for 2024, and with it many new ways to enjoy Elkhart and its history.

ELKHART HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P.O. Box 255
ELKHART ILLINOIS 62634
CANDLELIGHT CHAPEL SERVICE "Christmas Treasures"
Saturday December 2, 2023

Name _____ address _____ city St. zip _____

Please reserve _____ seats at the Saturday 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. **(circle time)**
PHONE _____ e-mail _____ Total number x \$15 _____

Please call for reservations 217 947 2238 starting November 2nd, be sure to state your name, number in party, time of service you prefer, and your phone number, we will call back to confirm. **One check for everything**, including tickets, membership and meal options, made payable to the Elkhart Historical Society.-Mail promptly as seats cannot be held without payment. To receive your chapel and/or dining tickets **by mail** please include a **self-addressed stamped envelope. Those dining must have a ticket in hand.**

Service only reservations can be held at door _____ (For Chapel only)

Wild Hare Café at Horsefeathers

Slow-Roasted Pork Loin dinner number in your party _____ x \$35.00
Slow-Roasted Turkey Breast dinner number in your party _____ x \$35.00

DESSERT CHOICES Apple Crisp _____ Vanilla Ice Cream w/ chocolate sauce _____

Dinners include sage and onion stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry orange sauce, baby carrots and green beans in butter, fresh baked rolls, and coffee or ice tea. **Tax is included TIP IS NOT INCLUDED**
You are welcome to bring wine or beer, glasses and opener provided.

Additional Parking available one block east, across from Village Hall

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2024 AND CALENDAR ORDER FORM

name _____ address _____ city State zip _____

phone _____ Renewing \$20 Senior Citz/Family _____ \$25 Reg/Family _____

e-mail address print clearly _____

Please add _____ extra calendars @ \$25 ea. (Optional postage \$3 ea.) Total _____

Please check box to **remove** your name form the mailing list. Where ever possible we would appreciate using emails as it is much less expensive for us, and we can let you know of other upcoming events.

ELKHART HISTORICAL SOCIETY
P.O. Box 255
ELKHART ILLINOIS 62634
Chapel Christmas Matinee
Sunday December 3, 2023 at 2pm

Name _____ address _____ city St. zip _____

Please reserve _____ seats at 2:00 p.m.

PHONE _____ e-mail _____ Total number x \$15 _____

Please call for reservations 217 947 2238 be sure to state your name, number in party and your phone number, we will call back to confirm. **One check for everything**, including tickets, membership and meal options, made payable to the Elkhart Historical Society - Mail promptly as seats cannot be held without payment. To receive your chapel and/or dining tickets **by mail** please include a **self-addressed stamped envelope**. **Those dining must have a ticket in hand.** Last date for dining reservations will be November 23rd.

Wild Hare Café at Horsefeathers

Turkey Pot Pie, garden salad and grilled artisan bread number in your party _____ x \$20.00 each

DESSERT CHOICES Fruit Crisp _____ Vanilla Ice Cream w/ chocolate sauce _____ x \$5.00 each

Tax is included, TIP IS NOT INCLUDED. You are welcome to bring wine or beer, glasses and opener provided.

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NEWSLETTER INFO

All material for the November 2023 newsletter should be turned in before
5:00 p.m. on November 8, 2023

Please email your article in Word to sarahvball@hotmail.com
If there is any event that needs added to the calendar,
Please call (217-494-0059) or e-mail the information.

Senior Citizen Luncheon

The Elkhart Senior’s Lunch will be on October 18, 2023, at 11:30am at Elkhart Station.

For questions, please call Anita at (217) 341-0167.



We Need Volunteer Firefighters!!!



🔥 bad pay 🔥 crappy hours 🔥 tough working conditions

Come Join Us!!

GREAT SATISFACTION!!

WHO WILL ANSWER THE CALL?

ELKHART VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief: Jay Akers 217-737-6500

Assistant Chief: Paul Hayden 217-871-0121



Mt. Pulaski High School Board Minutes – September 18, 2023

<https://www.mtpulaski.k12.il.us/o/mphs/article/1249010>

The next regular board meeting is Monday, October 16, 2023, at 7:00pm.



Elkhart Community

Senior's Bingo

(the over 55 crowd)

First Tuesday of each Month

2:00 pm

Village Hall





ELKHART PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

THIS MONTH

(Hang on to your hats, it's a big one.)

- LEGO Club:** Thursdays, 4pm - 6pm
- Flu Shot Clinic:** **Wed. Oct. 11th, 4 - 5:30**
Stop by the library and pick up the vaccine administration record to fill out in advance. Remember your Medicare/insurance card!
- Eclipse Party:** **Sat. Oct. 14th @ 10am**
RAIN or SHINE! Details below...
- Medicare Class:** **Wed. Oct. 18th @ 5pm**
Mitchell Hudson is back! **Sat. Oct. 21st @ 10am**
and/or
- Toddler Time:** **Saturday Oct. 28th**
10:30 - 11:15
FOURTH SATURDAY

Eclipse Party
for ALL AGES

Oct. 14 **10am**

RAIN or SHINE!
We will be **LIVESTREAMING** the eclipse from Valley of the Gods, Utah.
With over 100 viewing glasses to give away, you won't have to share with ANYONE.

Have a blanket or a lawn chair?
BRING IT!

Music Crafts
Themed Snacks Viewing Glasses

Coming In November



You will **NOT** want to miss this chance to see a **very special display.**

Our very own
JOHN WILLIAMS

will be sharing his **SANTA** carvings.
You won't want to miss this opportunity!