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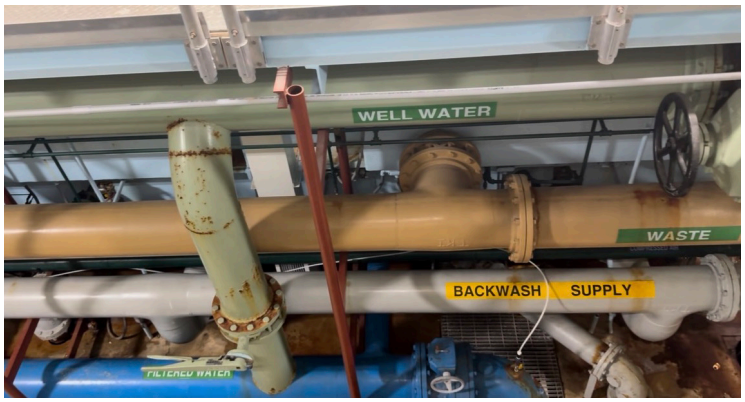
IMPORTANT UPDATE: NEW UTILITY RATES AND CHARGES STARTING IN 2026

At the Dec. 15, 2025, Board of Trustees meeting, an ordinance was approved to adjust the water, sewer and refuse/recycling rates. The ordinance also establishes a new flat monthly capital improvement charge.

These adjustments are a necessary step to address rising operational costs, support essential infrastructure upgrades, and ensure continued investment in reliable and sustainable utility services. As the Village works to maintain and enhance service quality, the updated rates are designed to meet both current needs and long-term demands.

The new rates and charges will appear on utility bills beginning in March and apply to all usage and billing starting Jan. 1, 2026. For detailed information about the specific changes and how they may affect your bill, please visit the Village's website at **www.barrington-il.gov/2026rates**.

This infrastructure funding strategy allows Barrington to continue making critical reinvestments in its water and sewer systems, helping to protect property values while delivering dependable, high-quality services to the community. Upcoming projects include:



Iron Filtration Facility Improvements

Barrington's Iron Filtration Facility was constructed in 2000 and while Village staff has done a great job maintaining the facility past its typical lifespan, it has now reached the point where replacement is necessary.

Improvements are expected to begin in spring 2026.

Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements

Barrington's Wastewater Treatment Facility is located at 302 N. Raymond Ave. Constructed in 1936, this facility processes over two million gallons of wastewater daily.

Improvements are expected to begin in summer 2026.

Scan the QR code or visit the URL above for behind-the-scenes videos showcasing both facilities and their importance to our community.

RECENT BARRINGTON BUSINESS NEWS

Dunkin' Baskin-Robbins
Now located at 306 W. Northwest Hwy., check out Dunkin's new space, complete with a convenient drive-thru lane for all your coffee, donut and ice cream cravings. For more information, visit **www.dunkindonuts.com**.

Sunwellth
Now located at 220 James St., the fitness studio was founded by April "AC" Cisneros to create "Pilates with a Purpose." For more information, visit **www.sunwellth.com.**

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CALL FOR ARTISTS - BARRINGTON ART FESTIVAL

Looking forward to all the exciting events planned for 2026?

Mark your calendars for the 17th annual Barrington Art Festival happening Memorial Day weekend.

Saturday, May 23 and Sunday, May 24

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cook & Station Streets

Amdur Productions is pleased to announce the call for artists! This beloved Memorial Day weekend tradition welcomes artists across all media to apply. Don't miss the chance to showcase your talent alongside other creatives. Spaces are limited to 125 booths. Artists are encouraged to apply now at www.amdurproductions.com/barrington-art-festival.

SAVE THE DATES

Barrington Town Warming

Feb. 7*

BARRINGTON health & wellness summit

Feb. 26

**SCAN HERE FOR TICKETS & MORE EVENTS*

**In-person Town Warming tickets sold out. Virtual tickets are still available.*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC WORKS

Light Recycling in Partnership with Elgin Recycling - Continues Through March 31

The Village is collecting holiday lights for recycling at the Public Works Facility, 300 N. Raymond Ave. A drop-off bin is available outside at the main entrance. Accepted items include mini-lights (also known as Italian lights), C7 and C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights, and extension cords of any color and length. Please note that garland, live greens, wreaths and other non-recyclable items are not accepted. Light bulb and battery recycling is available only on Mondays and Wednesdays from noon to 3 p.m. For more information, visit www.elginrecycling.com.

HOLIDAY REMINDERS

Administrative Offices Closed
Thursday, Jan. 1
Groot Pickup
Saturday, Jan. 3
Christmas Tree Recycling
Saturday, Jan. 3
Friday, Jan. 9

WINTER REMINDERS FROM PUBLIC WORKS

Winter Parking Regulations

In Effect Through March 31

To ensure snowplows can clear streets for emergency vehicles, parking is prohibited in the Central Business District after 1 a.m. when snow accumulation exceeds two inches. These restrictions remain in place until snow removal is complete. In residential areas outside the Central Business District, parking is not allowed at any time when snow accumulation reaches two inches or more, until the streets are fully cleared. Parking is also always prohibited on all Village streets between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. For more information, visit www.barrington-il.gov/parking.

Proper Garbage Placement

Please place garbage and recycling containers on your driveway or parkway next to the street, not on the street itself. This prevents hazardous conditions for both snowplows and drivers.

Sidewalk Snow Removal

Residents, tenants and business owners: please keep public sidewalks adjacent to your property clear of snow and ice. Commercial properties are required, by ordinance, to clear snow accumulation of more than 2" within 3 hours between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Residential properties are required to clear snow accumulation of more than 2" within 24 hours. Please remember to remove snow and ice promptly to ensure safe passage for pedestrians.

Snow Piled at the End of Driveways

Consider waiting to clear your driveway until the street has been plowed curb to curb. Also, please do not shovel snow back into the street, as this can create dangerous road conditions. Shoveling, plowing or blowing snow into the street violates the Village code and may result in a fine.