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LITTLE TOWN ON LAKE MAXINKUCKEE

2017 Community Highlights

Town Manager & Town Council

Hello,

Welcome to our Town of Culver Annual Highlights report for 2017. This is our way of providing residents and visitors with information on what we completed in 2017.



STELLAR TOWN YEAR ROUND

2017 was a Stellar year for the Town of Culver, as several years of hard work, planning, and public input helped the community achieve a Stellar Communities Designation from the State of Indiana for 2017.

This fall, we broke ground on Sand Hill Farm housing development, which will bring much needed new apartment buildings to Culver. Also, town officials cut the ribbon on a new fishing platform at Culver Park, and received \$50,000 in grants and fundraised an additional \$42,000 for a new amphitheater in the park, which is scheduled to open this summer. We also welcomed several new businesses to Culver, including Main Street Studios and Bourbon Street Pizza.



Check out the rest of the report for statistics, pictures, and highlights from each department and our volunteers, and we look forward to furthering these efforts in 2018.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Leist, Town Manager; Ginny Munroe, Council President; Sally Ricciardi, Vice President; Dave Beggs, Councilmember; Tammy Shaffer, Councilmember; and Joel Samuelson, Councilmember.

- **Community Crossings Grant:** received a 75% matching grant from INDOT to pave College Avenue, portions of Jefferson Street, and entryway to Sand Hill Farm.
- Repaved all of College Avenue and west end of Jefferson Street.
- Completed Construction of Safe Routes to School sidewalk project on Academy Road and College Avenue.
- Treated 100.1 million gallons of waste water and distributed 59.3 million gallons of safe drinking water.
- Completed utilities design work for Sand Hill Farm annexation.



- Completed new employee personnel policy handbook for town employees.
- Created new town website with increased functionality on mobile devices.
- Administered state and federal grants totaling over \$500,000
- Began process of creating an overall town policy and standard operating procedure handbook.

Fire Department

Chief Terry Wakefield

- 18 volunteer members completed a total of 670 training hours. 16 members have completed Firefighter I/II training and certification.
- 2017 Statistics: responded to 85 calls (not including assists) including 11 accidents, 15 structure fires, 3 lake incidents, 16 alarms, 5 hazmat calls, 6 car fires and 29 miscellaneous calls. A total of 612 man



Police Department

Town Marshal Wayne Bean



- Hired new full time officer Adam Behnke.
- Completed taser training for all full-time staff.
- 2017 Statistics: 89 Criminal investigations, 98 traffic citations, 450 traffic warnings, 374 incident reports, 181 assists to other departments, 31 accident reports, 49,307 patrol miles.

EMS

Director Kathy Hart

- Upgraded service from Basic Advanced to Paramedic on August 1. Working as a paramedic service provides the highest level of care to the citizens in our service area.
- Completed purchase of a new ambulance to replace our oldest model.
- 2017 Statistics: Culver EMS responded to 407 emergency calls, with an average response time for the 239 calls within the town of Culver of 6:57 minutes; outside of town, the average response time was 12:48 minutes; transported 67% of the patients we were in contact with; 87% due to medical reasons and 13% were trauma related; average transport time was 18:12 minutes.



Building Department

Building Commissioner Chuck DeWitt

- Permits can be applied for online at: <https://permits.schneidercorp.com/>.
- 87 Building permits were issued in Culver and the two-mile jurisdiction. This included over \$13 million in project costs.
- 10 new single family home permits were issued, which added approximately \$5 million dollars in assessed value to the area.
- Made updates to planning and zoning ordinance to follow Marshall County format.



Parks and Recreation Department

Superintendent Anna Nowalk



- Received commitments from Marshall County to pave up to one mile of Lake Maxinkuckee Trail Phase I, connecting the park and Culver Academies.
- New roof on the beach lodge completed in the fall.

- A fishing platform was added to C Pier with a separate entrance off the lighthouse through a grant from the Marshall County Community Foundation.
- Raised \$42,000 locally for Damore Amphitheater through patronicity.com crowdfunding program, also received grants from the Marshall County Community Foundation and Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority totaling \$50,000.



Volunteer Boards and Commissions



So much of what we do in Culver wouldn't be possible without the efforts of our many volunteer boards and commissions. Thank you to all of the following individuals who served the community in 2017:

Redevelopment Commission: Tammy Shaffer, Rich West, Tom Yuhas, Sally Ricciardi, Sue McInturff

Tree Commission: Mike Stallings, Ruth Tamminga, Dick Brantingham, Karen Noll, John Helphrey

Friends of the Park: Ruth Tamminga, Patty Stallings, George Tamminga

Planning Commission: Barry McManaway, Pete Peterson, Bill Harris, Chester Gut, Margaret Dehne, Wayne Bean, Don Fox, Marty Oosterbaan

Board of Zoning Appeals: Dan Adams, John Helphrey, Bill Harris, Patrick Jensen, Margaret Dehne

Stellar Communities Committee: Ginny Munroe, Sally Ricciardi, Rich West, Mark Damore, Jr., Kevin Berger, Jerry Chavez, Josh Pretzer, Dana Neer, Don Fox, Tracy Fox, James Turnwald, Mike Reese, Steven Park, Becca Pazin, Karen Shuman, Anna Nowalk, Jonathan Leist, Karen Heim, Bob Porter, and Brian Meek

To those listed above and all of the volunteers who spent hours improving our community in 2017, thank you all very much!

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