

Village Of Lemont

# RESIDENT GUIDE



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# Village Of Lemont

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*Mayor:* Brian K. Reaves

*Village Clerk:* Charlene M. Smollen

*Administrator:* George J. Schafer

*Trustees:*

Debby Blatzer	Rick Sniegowski
Paul Chialdikas	Ron Stapleton
Clifford Miklos	Jeanette Virgilio

The Village of Lemont is governed by an elected Village President, six Village Trustees, and a Village Clerk. The day-to-day activities of the Village are professionally managed by an appointed Village Administrator and Staff.

## Mission Statement

The Village of Lemont is dedicated to promoting and preserving the character of the community and ensuring a high quality of life through professional public service provided in a friendly, consistent, and fiscally responsible manner, emphasizing the best interest of the community as a whole.

# *Important Telephone Numbers*

## **Village Of Lemont**

General Information	(630) 257-1550
Mayor/Administration	(630) 257-1590
Community Development	(630) 257-1595
Planning Department	(630) 257-1595
Building Department	(630) 257-1580
Engineering Department	(630) 257-2532
Police/Fire Emergency	9-1-1
Fire Department - Non Emergency	(630) 257-2376
Police Non-Emergency	(630) 257-2229
Public Works Department	(630) 257-2532
Public Works after hours - Emergency	(630) 257-2226 or 9-1-1
L.E.M.A. (Lemont Emergency Management Agency)	(630) 257-6689
Lemont Community TV	(630) 257-8941

## **Other Community Agencies**

Dial-A-Ride	(630) 257-2522
Lemont Chamber of Commerce	(630) 257-5997
Lemont Park District	(630) 257-6787
Lemont Post Office	(630) 257-6204
Lemont Post Office Annex - 127th Street	(630) 243-1978
Lemont Public Library	(630) 257-6541
Lemont School District 113A	(630) 257-2286
Lemont School District 210	(630) 257-5838
Lemont Township	(630) 257-2522

### **NOTE:**

**House Address Numbers must be clearly posted.** This is of great importance when Police and/or Fire Departments need to find your house in the case of an emergency.

# Village Board Meetings

**2nd and 4th Mondays - 7:00 p.m.**

Live TV Broadcast of Board Meetings on Channel 6  
Committee of the Whole Meeting: 3rd Monday - 7:00 p.m.

**Village Hall Council Room  
418 Main Street • Lemont, IL 60439**

## Meeting Schedule

***Note: This Schedule is Subject to Change. Please call to confirm if you're interested in attending a particular meeting.***

Art & Culture Commission	2nd Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Environmental Advisory Commission	4th Thursday	7:30 p.m.
Ethics Commission	Quarterly, as necessary	
Festival Committee	1st Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Heritage Committee	3rd Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Historic Preservation Commission	2nd Thursday	6:30 p.m.
Lemont Emergency Management Agency (L.E.M.A.)	4th Thursday	7:30 p.m.
Liquor Commission	Monday As Required	6:00 p.m.
Planning & Zoning Commission	3rd Wednesday	6:30 p.m.
Police Commission	2nd Tuesday of every other month unless otherwise posted.	7:30 p.m.
Police Pension Board	Quarterly As Required	

*Residents interested in serving on a Board, Commission or Committee may contact the Mayor's Office (630) 257-1590.*

## *Voter Registration*

Requirements for registration: 18 years of age, U.S. citizen.

Two forms of identification are required. Residence in the election district for 30 days by the time of the next election required in order to vote.

### **Register at:**

Lemont Village Hall  
418 Main Street  
Lemont, IL 60439  
(630) 257-1550  
Monday - Friday:  
• 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Lemont Township  
1115 Warner Street  
Lemont, IL 60439  
(630) 257-2522  
Monday - Friday:  
• 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon  
• 12:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Lemont Public Library  
50 E. Wend Street  
Lemont, IL 60439  
(630) 257-6541  
Monday - Thursday:  
• 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Friday - Saturday  
• 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## *Boards and Commissions*

Lemont's commitment to open and participatory government is exemplified by its citizen Boards and Commissions. These advisory bodies, made up of citizen volunteers dedicated to the future of Lemont, provide input to the Village Board on a variety of policy issues relevant to our community.

Interested residents wishing to serve may apply to the Mayor's Office, 418 Main Street, Lemont, IL 60439 (630) 257-1590.

## *Quarterly Newsletter*

A newsletter is delivered to each village household on a quarterly basis. Important information is included to keep residents up to date on events, seasonal topics and new Village programs. Website information regarding local businesses and services is available on the Village website at: <http://www.lemont.il.us>.

## *Community Corner*

A message from the Mayor along with current events and helpful reminders appears in the local newspaper the 1st & 3rd weeks of each month.

# Garbage Pick-Up

## Waste Management, Inc.

2100 Moen Avenue • Rockdale, IL 60436

For New Service or Customer Service:

1-800-796-9696

Refuse Service: Garbage cans are issued by Waste Management. All items must be placed at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on the day of collection. ONE (1) large household item such as discarded furniture, mattresses, etc. will be collected on the regular pick-up day. Carpeting/padding should be cut and rolled in 4 foot lengths weighing no more than 50 pounds each. Additional oversized items may require a special pick-up. Please contact Waste Management for an estimate. Waste Management will bill residents directly for service on a quarterly basis. A \$1.00 senior discount will apply to all qualified senior citizens that are at least 65 years old and that own and occupy their own dwelling.

Recycling: Recycling is collected weekly on the same day as garbage pick-up. Newspapers, mixed paper products, glass jars and bottles, aluminum/metal cans and plastic food grade containers are accepted. Polystyrene (carry-out containers) are no longer accepted. Bottles that contained motor oil, pesticides, or chemicals will NOT be accepted. Replacement or additional recycling bins may be purchased by calling the Customer Service Department of Waste Management.

Yard Waste: Yard waste such as grass clippings and leaves should be placed in Kraft-type biodegradable paper bags. Cans cannot be used. Residents with large yard waste needs may rent a 96-gallon yard waste cart for the season which holds the equivalent of three 30-gallon Kraft bags.

Branches/Leaves: Brush must be cut into 4 foot sections and bundled. Branches may not exceed 4 ft. in length or 4 inches in diameter. They must be tied with biodegradable string or twine in bundles not to exceed 50 pounds. These items will be picked up on the regular pick-up day from April 1 through November 30.

White Goods/Tires/Hazardous Waste: Household appliances, air conditioners, heat pumps, water heaters, furnaces and boilers have been banned from landfills. Automotive tires have also been banned. To dispose of these items, please contact a local appliance business for recycling or collection information. Toxic products such as automotive batteries, oil base paints, insecticides, oil, anti-freeze, etc. cannot be collected through your residential pick-up. The Village provides a semi-annual Motor Oil Recycling Event in April & October to dispose of used motor oil/fuel/lubricant oil and antifreeze. For tips on where to dispose of these at other times of the year contact the Will County Waste Services Division at 815-727-8834. The nearest hazardous household waste drop site is at 1000 N. 10th St., Joliet, IL 61731. For more information, please call (815) 727-8834.

E-Waste Electronics Recycling Program: Electronics are accepted for recycling at the Public Works Department, 16680 New Avenue, during business hours, 7:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Residents are advised to call ahead before dropping off recycling. For additional information on the program, please call (630) 257-6100 at (630) 257-6100.

# UTILITIES

## Commonwealth Edison

Customer Service (800) 334-7661  
Location of Buried Cables (JULIE) 811 or (800) 892-0123

## NICOR

Customer Service (888) 642-6748

## AT&T

Sales, Customer Service and Billing (800) 464-7928  
Repair (800) 246-8464

## COMCAST

Customer Support/Payment Center (866) 594-1234  
Romeoville: 408 N. Weber Road OR  
Joliet: 2709 W. Jefferson

Lemont Community T.V. (630) 257-8941

Lemont Cable Access Channel 6

Village of Lemont (630) 257-1550

Public Works (630) 257-2532

Water & Sewer After Hours Emergency (630) 257-2226/911

Water Billing Department (630) 257-6277

Waste Management (800) 796-9696

## *Did You Know?*

### Vehicle Stickers

Vehicle stickers are required for all licensed vehicles registered in Lemont.

**New residents and owners of new vehicles must purchase stickers within 30 days. Price DOUBLES thereafter.** Purchase stickers at:

Village Hall: (630) 257-1550                      8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

Police Department: (630) 257-2229            8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

**Vehicle stickers are sold on a two-year basis beginning June 1st and must be displayed by July 31st.** Senior discounts are available at age 65 for auto or B truck plates.

### Animal License Regulations

Animals may not roam freely, unless in a fenced area. Pets being walked on the public way must be on a leash. Excrement must be immediately picked up. Animals found running at large will be impounded and a citation issued to the owner. For any impounded or lost animals, call non-emergency police at (630) 257-2229.

Pets are prohibited, except for guide dogs, at or upon any school premise, public playground, public swimming pool, festival or special event, unless official written permission has been granted by the public agency owning the property.

### Tornado Siren Policy

During a severe weather incident, the tornado siren will only be activated if a tornado or funnel cloud aloft is reported within a ten-mile radius based from the center of Lemont. The borders of the ten-mile radius are Route 59 to the west, I-80 to the south, Ogden Avenue to the north and Harlem Avenue to the east.

The tornado siren will also be activated any time the National Weather Service advises a tornado warning which addresses the Village or Township and when wind gusts are clocked in excess of 50 m.p.h. **NO ALL CLEAR SIREN WILL BE ACTIVATED. Once activated, the sirens will not be re-activated for one hour unless a rotating wall cloud, funnel cloud aloft, or tornado has been sighted and is a clear and present danger to the Village or Township.**

Emergency sirens are tested the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. by the Lemont Fire Protection District.



# *Did You Know?*

## Lawn Sprinkling Regulations

Between May 15th and October 1st, lawn sprinkling is permitted between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. Properties with odd-numbered postal addresses may water on odd-numbered calendar days; even-numbered postal addresses may water on even-numbered calendar days.

## Block Parties

Any resident wishing to hold a block party should first apply to the Police Department before making arrangements. A permit is required.

## Garage Sale, Real Estate and Political Signs

Signs must be posted on Private Property. Signs are not allowed on Village property such as parkways, trees, utility poles etc., and must not exceed six square feet in area. All signs must be removed promptly after the event is complete. Permits for garage sales are not required.

## Open Burning

Bonfires/ burning of leaves and rubbish is prohibited in the Village of Lemont due to the public health concerns associated with this activity.

## BB Guns/Firearms

It is unlawful to discharge BB Guns/Firearms within the Village of Lemont.

## South Suburban Mayors and Managers' Home Single Family Residential Rehabilitation Program (SFR)

Home rehabilitation funds are available with zero interest and no repayment until you sell or transfer title to your home. The Single Family Rehabilitation Program corrects all code violations, including plumbing, electrical, roof replacement, siding, window replacement, furnace replacement, etc. For more information and to determine income guidelines, please call the Village of Lemont's Single Family Rehabilitation Administrator, Charles Echols, at SSMMA Home SFR Program, 1904 W. 174th Street, East Hazel Crest, Illinois 60429, (708) 922-4600.

## Spring and Fall Recycling Special Events:

The Lemont Environmental Advisory Commission (630-257-6052) holds semi-annual Recycling Days (April & October) in the METRA parking lot. Residents may drop off used motor/fuel/lubricant oil, brake/transmission fluid and antifreeze, along with electronics recycling, document disposal, latex paint recycling, and much more. Watch for information on these special events.

# Public Works Department

The Public Works Department is assigned the responsibility of maintenance of public streets; public buildings; street lighting; traffic signals and parking lots; and maintenance of the water and sewer system. To report concerns about street maintenance, sewer problems, water main leaks or storm damage, please call the Public Works Department at (630) 257-2532.

## Water Billing Department

Please call the Water Billing Department (630-257-6277) for billing information, meter readings, and final readings Monday thru Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Homeowners age 65 or older who are living in the residence are eligible to receive a 50% discount on the minimum charge on their water bill. Payments may be mailed or paid in person at the Village Hall or the drop box after hours which is located in the lobby at 416 Main Street.

## Snow Removal Operation - Odd/Even Parking Requirements

After a snowfall of two inches, park on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd calendar days and on the even-numbered side of the street on even calendar days. The day is considered to begin at 9:00 a.m.

### Important Telephone Numbers

Medicare	(800) 642-6930
Cook County Building & Zoning	(312) 603-0500
Will County Building Department	(815) 727-8634
DuPage County Building Dept.	(630) 682-7220
DuPage County Highway Division	(630) 682-7318
Poison Control	(800) 942-5969
Social Security	(800) 772-1213
Dept. of Motor Vehicles - Naperville	(630) 355-9815
Orland/Lockport	(312) 793-1010
Joliet	(815) 725-5262
Animal Welfare League	(708) 636-8586
Cook County Sheriff	(708) 865-4700
DuPage County Sheriff	(630) 682-7256
Will County Sheriff	(630) 904-1230

# *Police Department*

14600 127th Street • Lemont, IL 60439

The Lemont Police Department provides numerous services including: neighborhood and business district patrols, traffic enforcement, criminal investigations, records maintenance, parking control, a school crossing guard program, Lemont Police Cadet Program, crime prevention programs, and police counseling in schools.

**Citizen Police Academy:** This is a ten week program sponsored by the Police Department for Lemont residents. The program meets one evening each week from 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Participants receive hands-on experience and training in police procedures.

**Child Safety Seat Instruction:** The Lemont Police Department has personnel certified for installing child safety seats in vehicles. To make an appointment call 630-257-2229.

**Neighborhood Watch Program** is available for Lemont residents. For information call (630) 257-2229.

**Vacation Watch:** If you will be out of town and would like a vacation watch kept on your home, a Vacation Watch application must be filled out at the Police Department and an officer will check your home in the morning and evening.

**Curfew:** Less than 13 years of age: 9:00 p.m.; Ages 13 but not yet 17: Sunday thru Thursday 11:00 p.m.; 12:00 midnight on Friday & Saturday.

## **Parking Regulations**

- Parking across sidewalks is prohibited in the Village.
- Boats or RV's up to 32' in length may be parked in the side or rear yard buildable area, or fully concealed in the rear yard, not closer than 3 feet to a property line.
- Trucks/Commercial vehicles with "C" thru "Z" plates shall not be permitted to park or to be stored in a residential district, except when located in a garage, in a fully enclosed structure or in a manner as to substantially conceal it from the view of adjoining property owners if parked in the rear yard area. A limit of one (1) commercial vehicle with a "B" license plate shall be permitted to be parked on a residential lot.
- It is unlawful to park any vehicle upon any street for the purpose of displaying it for sale.
- Inoperable motor vehicles must be promptly removed, whether on public or private property.
- After a snowfall of two inches, park on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd calendar days and on the even numbered side of the street on even calendar days. The day is considered to begin at 9:00 a.m.
- No vehicle shall be parked with the left side of the vehicle or left wheel to curb, except on a one-way street.

# *Building Department*

Building Department

(630) 257-1580

## Building Permits Required

Permits are required for new construction, remodeling, and grading changes. Permits are also required for fences, sheds, decks, pools, sprinkling systems, garages, patios, siding, etc. Various other improvements also require permits. The Building Department should be contacted prior to starting any work to inquire whether a permit is needed. Applications are available in the Building Department, 418 Main Street, Lemont, IL 60439.

A Certificate of Appropriateness is required, in addition to a Building Permit, for any exterior alteration, remodeling, new construction or demolition of residential structures within the Lemont Historic District.

Currently adopted Building Codes: 2006 International Building Code (Industrial, Commercial & Multi-Family), 2006 International Residential Code (One-Family and Two-Family Dwellings), 2006 International Property Maintenance Code, 2005 National Electrical Code (*NFPA 70-2005*) 2004 Illinois Plumbing Code, 2006 International Mechanical Code, 2006 International Fuel Gas Code, 2006 International Energy Conservation Code, 2006 International Fire Code (Industrial, Commercial & Multi-Family). Health inspections are performed by the Cook County Dept. of Public Health.

## Weed Abatement Program

Current Village ordinance restricts the height of grasses and weeds to a maximum of 8 inches. When a property is identified, the Building Department Code Enforcement Officer will document the violation by photographing the property. Notification of violation is made by certified mail to the property owner, giving 7 days from receipt of notice to have the weeds or grass cut. If property owner does not comply, the Building Department will hire a contractor to have the property mowed and bill the property owner. You may reach the Village Code Enforcement Officer at (630) 243-2725.

## Permitted Construction Hours

Contractors or residents are permitted to perform construction activities between the following hours:

Monday - Friday:	7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday:	8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

If there are concerns or violations, please call the Building Dept. for enforcement.

## Lawn Sprinkler System Annual Certification Required

RPZ (Reduced Pressure Zone) valves must be tested/certified annually and a report submitted to the Building Department. The annual report is required in accordance with the Illinois EPA code regulations. The test/certification must be completed by a certified Cross Connection Control Device Inspector. The Building Dept. maintains a list of certified testers. Failure to submit the annual test report/certification may result in disconnection of the water service to your residence and/or issuance of citations.

# Transportation/Commuter

## **METRA Heritage Corridor Train: Monday-Friday Only.**

Leave: Lemont 6:00 a.m.	Arrive: Chicago 6:50 a.m.
Leave: Lemont 6:40 a.m.	Arrive: Chicago 7:30 a.m.
Leave: Lemont 7:20 a.m.	Arrive: Chicago 8:10 a.m.
Leave: Chicago 4:50 p.m.	Arrive: Lemont 5:33 p.m.
Leave: Chicago 5:25 p.m.	Arrive: Lemont 6:08 p.m.
Leave: Chicago 6:12 p.m.	Arrive: Lemont 6:55 p.m.

### **METRA TIMETABLES**

(312) 322-6777

### **METRA / PACE / CTA**

Transit Information

(312) 836-7000

### **Website Information**

- METRA Website [www.Metrarail.com](http://www.Metrarail.com)
- PACE Website [www.pacebus.com](http://www.pacebus.com)
- CTA Website [www.transitchicago.com](http://www.transitchicago.com)

### **Commuter Parking**

Commuter Parking is available at the Lemont train station in several lots.

### **Commuter Parking Permits**

Commuter Parking Permits may be obtained in person at Lemont Village Hall, 418 Main Street, Lemont, IL 60439, (630) 257-1550.

1 Quarter	\$ 50.00
2 Quarters	\$ 98.50
3 Quarters	\$ 147.00
4 Quarters	\$ 194.00
Replacement	\$ 3.00

### **Daily Parking Fee**

A daily parking fee of \$1.00 is payable at the Automated Pay Boxes located in the train station.

# Public Officials

Letters are an effective way to voice an opinion on a particular issue or legislation.

## **To contact your Illinois State Senator or Representative:**

### State Senators

Sen. Christine Radogno, 41st District (630) 243-0800  
1011 State Street  
Lemont, IL 60439  
E-mail: [cradogno@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cradogno@sbcglobal.net)

### State Representatives

Rep. Jim Durkin, 82nd District (708) 352-7700 Phone  
6404 W. Joliet Road, #203 (708) 352-7702 Fax  
Countryside, IL 60525

## **To contact a U.S. Senator or Representative:**

### United States Senators

Sen. Mark Kirk (312) 886-3506 Phone  
230 S. Dearborn, #3900 (312) 886-3514 Fax  
Chicago, IL 60604

Sen. Dick Durbin (312) 353-4952 Phone  
230 S. Dearborn, Suite 3892 (312) 353-0150 Fax  
Chicago, IL 60604

### United States Representatives

Rep. Judy Biggert, 13th District (630) 655-2052 Phone  
6262 South Route 83, Suite 305 (630) 655-1061 Fax  
Willowbrook, IL 60527

## **Lemont is located within Cook, Will, and DuPage Counties.**

### **To contact the Cook County Board:**

118 N. Clark Street, Room 567  
Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 603-6398

### **To contact the Will County Board:**

302 N. Chicago Street  
Joliet, IL 60432 (815) 740-4602

### **To contact the DuPage County Board:**

c/o DuPage County Center  
421 N. County Farm Rd.  
Wheaton, IL 60187 (630) 682-7993

# *Other Governmental Agencies*

## **Lemont Township Tax Assessor**

(630) 257-2522

Assessor's office determines the fair market value of property.

## **Tax Bills**

Real Estate property tax bills are mailed to Lemont residents residing in Cook County from the:

Cook County Treasurer's Office (312) 443-5656  
118 N. Clark St. Rm. 112  
Chicago, IL 60602

Cook County real estate taxes are due March 1st and September 1st.

Residents in Will County receive a tax bill from the:

Treasurer's Office (815) 740-4675  
Will County Office Building  
302 N. Chicago St.  
Joliet, IL 60434

Residents in DuPage County receive a tax bill from the:

Treasurer's Office (630) 682-7005  
DuPage County Center  
421 N. County Farm Road  
Wheaton, IL 60187

Taxes in Will and DuPage Counties are due June 1st and September 1st. Assessments are based on one-third of the fair market value of the property, some with an equalizing factor. Assessments are determined by the township assessor in which the property is located. Questions about the assessed valuation of the property should be directed to the appropriate Assessor's Office.

## **Miscellaneous Government Information**

To obtain: Birth Records, Death Records, Marriage Records or to apply for a Marriage License, contact the Cook County Department of Vital Records at (708) 974-6150.

## **Post Office**

The Lemont Post Office, located at 42 S. Stephen Street, is open:

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Lobby is open 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; Lobby is open 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

For more information call the Lemont Post Office at (630) 257-6204; or the Carrier Annex on W. 127th Street at (630) 257-6205 or (630) 243-1978.