

# LYONSSHARE

VILLAGE OF LYONS NEWSLETTER

## NEW LED STREET LIGHTS



The Village of Lyons recently completed the installation of new LED lighting to all of the Village owned and operated street light fixtures. **CONTINUE ON PAGE 4**

## 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CELEBRATION



Lyons plans another spectacular Independence Day! Get information on all the festivities. (Page 3)

## MORE ALLEYS TO BE PAVED



Two more blocks of alleys are on track to be paved this summer. (Page 5)

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## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

When you talk to people about “infra-structure,” their eyes glaze up. But when you explain that infra-structure refers to our streets, our alleys, the sidewalks, water and sewer, homeowners and families know exactly what I am talking about.

These are the things that are important to residents and help make communities great.

I am proud that the Village, under my leadership, has made a strong commitment to improving our infra-structure, and beautifying the community, and we have gone a long way.

So many residents have come up to me to say how much they like the new LED Lights we have installed on Village-owned and operated street light poles. The lights are brighter and they improve visibility and that is one of the many factors involved in helping to improve safety.

I am moved by the community pride that I see every day in Lyons. I am proud of what we have done and honored to be able to take on the challenges that face all of us in this third term in office. I’m excited about being able to continue this forward movement for all of our families, our seniors, our youth and our business community.

We have many events taking place and I look forward to seeing and speaking with everyone about our plans for the village and about new ideas. We must keep up this momentum together.

Good communities must maintain a strong, solid infra-structure which we have made our priority to provide.

Sincerely,

Christopher Getty  
Mayor

# MOVING LYONS FORWARD

## NEW LED STREET LIGHTS IMPROVE VISIBILITY AND SAFETY

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Mayor Getty said that the new LED lights provide a brighter White Light, as compared to the dimmer yellow lights of the old light fixture systems, and will also result in a significant reduction in electricity costs to the village.

“The LED lights are also more efficient, require less maintenance and less electricity and that means a huge savings of more than 60 percent of past costs, which is a savings to taxpayers,” Getty explained.

Getty said that the replacement process began at the end of April and was completed in early June at a cost of about \$160 per light fixture.

The Mayor said that the low-wattage LED light system has several light sources so that when something goes wrong, they still provide light.

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“The old lights were dimmer and unreliable. When they were damaged or they broke, they were out until they were replaced,” Keating said.

“The new LED lights are brighter and give everyone a clearer view, from motorists to our police who are continually patrolling our neighborhoods and streets.”

The contract was awarded to H&H Electric. A majority of the costs will come from a \$100,000 grant from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Lights not owned or operated by the Village are not included in the upgrades to the LED lighting system. The old fixtures required high maintenance and were constantly having problems, Village officials said, especially during power surges during summer months.

“This whole project was a win, win,” said Mayor Getty.



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