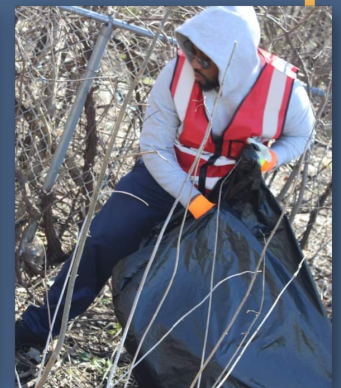


Quarter 2 2022

The Robbins Bulletin



"Achievement Through Community Spirit"



The Robbins

Bulletin

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR: Execute The Agenda For The People.

Evaluate the Bryant administration by the platform you elected.
Results delivered in year one!

PUBLIC SAFETY

- ✓ Hired Chief Sheppard and DC Malley.
- ✓ Purchased a new ambulance to operate our own emergency service.
- ✓ Installed surveillance cameras across the village.
- ✓ Signed new police contract.
- ✓ Crafted traffic safety legislation (PASSED BY THE LEGISLATORS).

RE-BUILD THE FOUNDATION

- ✓ Resurfaced streets across the villages.
- ✓ MWRD \$12,000,000 project PASSED!
- ✓ Crawford gas line replaced.
- ✓ 90 abandoned homes were fined and tagged for demolition.
- ✓ Excavator and snowplows purchased.

WHOLE CITIZEN

- ✓ Financial Literacy Courses.
- ✓ Welcomed NEW BUSINESS into THE VILLAGE.
- ✓ Village-owned real estate exemption list updated since 2018. Real-Estate almost ready for development

Robbins United

- ✓ 300 turkeys given to residents for holiday.
- ✓ Hosted 100 senior Christmas party.
- ✓ Shared Village lobbyist.
- ✓ Removed Mayor's name off all Village vehicles and equipment.

Basic Government

- ✓ Warrant list produced every month.
- ✓ Cleaning up the financial in-house of the Village.
- ✓ Leading the most transparent government Robbins ever seen!



INAUGURATION DAY MAY 11, 2021

TALK MONEY TO ME!

- \$4 million secured for lead line service replacement.
- \$400k secured for street resurfacing.
- \$12 million was secured for the MWRD water mitigation project
- \$1.2 million investment into public works equipment.
- \$2.5 million resolution passed for Claire Blvd. pumping station
- \$6.5 million budget dollars secured in Springfield.
- \$300k of debt paid off the books.

To stay up to date with the Mayor's agenda. Scan the QR code with your camera phone to the right.



UPDATES FROM THE TRUSTEES Standing Committees & More

Transportation Committee - 1.) The national average for a gallon of gas rose above \$4.00. According to AAA, the national average for a gallon of regular fuel is \$4.06. 2.) Please make sure we utilize our public transportation options in this time as gas prices are on the rise; Bremen Township: seniors on wheels, Pace Bus, Metra, maybe CTA, and any other rideshare app: Uber, Lyft. Applicable fees apply and vary. 3.) Please be advised of the no parking signs on Central Park. Cars will be towed as this is a Pace Bus route. 4.) Bus stations are being looked at to ensure lighting and proper shelters are to the standards. 5.) Speed bumps are coming to some regions of the town. 6.) Cook County Dept. of Transportation will be doing extensive bridge steel strengthening, steel truss repairs, and deck slab repairs on the Ridgeland Ave Bridge over the Cal-Sag Channel from April 4th until.

- Trustee Gregory Jackson (Chairman)

Public Safety Committee - General information for the public. 1.) National Crisis Text Line: Text "START" to 741741, or National Suicide Prevention Line: 1-800-273-TALK. 2.) National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK. 3.) Riveredge 24/7 Mental Health Assessments, or you can call (708) 771-7000 to schedule an intake open seven days of the week. If ever in doubt, go to your local emergency room.

- Trustee Tiffany Robinson (Chairwoman)

Public Works & Water Committee - 1.) New public works equipment, vehicles and tools have been purchased. 2.) approval of a new resolution for the rehabilitation of the water pumping complex.

- Trustee Michael Collier (Chairman)

Building and Codes Committee - 1.) All business owners make sure you have all necessary documents filed and on hand before starting new projects or opening. If you are looking to start or bring a business to Robbins please file your paperwork with the Clerks Office and the Building Department. 2.) Updated and new ordinances will be coming soon. - Trustee David Dyson (Chairman)



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Michael Collier Sr.

Trustee
George Brewton III

Trustee
Ernest Maxey Jr.

Trustee
Tiffany S. Robinson

Fire Dept. Updates with Deputy Fire Chief Nicless Malley

- 1.) The Department has added new members to the Department and continues to interview applicants for the Department. We are currently accepting applications and they can be picked up at the Village Hall in the Water Department. The application fee is \$25. We are also actively working on bringing back the Fire Cadet Program for the youth ages 13-17. More information will become available as we progress with the program.
- 2.) The Department currently runs a Basic Life Support Ambulance alongside BUDS Ambulance Service. The Department is actively and diligently working on enhancing our Emergency Medical Services by eventually operating without the assistance of BUDS with the overall goal of having our own Advanced Life Support Ambulance with Paramedics.
- 3.) Since October of 2021, The Department has continued to run a dual response with the Merrionette Park Fire Department on significant Emergency Medical Calls to ensure an adequate amount of personnel on scene to effectively and efficiently give the best possible outcome in scenarios such as but not limited to Cardiac arrests, critical motor vehicle accidents and all other traumatic incidents. We are pleased to announce that since its inception, this response has saved the life of one of our residents who went into cardiac arrest earlier this year.
- 4.) The Department is currently working to ensure our Fleet of all vehicles is operating safely and are sending them out as needed to be inspected and serviced.
- 5.) The Department is currently working on upgrading our technology within our Department and on our Vehicles in regards to our hardware.



Robbins
Fire Department



The Village of Robbins Meeting Announcement

The Village of Robbins hereby informs all village residents and the public of the 2022-2023 Appropriation Budget Hearing on **June 14, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.** Located at the **Robbins Police Courtroom 3323 W. 137th Street Robbins, IL 60472.**

A copy of the Appropriation can be found on the village website: www.robbsin-il.com/financial-reports.



Robbins Trivia!

The Village of Robbins was incorporated on what date?

- a. January 1st, 1919
- b. July 4th, 1912
- c. December 14th, 1917
- d. February 24th, 1913

(Question provided by the Robbins History Museum.)

Missed a board meeting?

Did you miss the last village council meeting? No worries! All Village of Robbins Council meetings are posted on the village website at www.robbsin-il.com and on the official facebook page at The Village of Robbins Illinois. Stay up to date!

CHICAGO GREATER FOOD DEPOSITORY ROBBINS EQUITABLE FOOD ACCESS SURVEY



Scan the QR code to the left and share your opinion! Complete the Robbins Equitable Food Access Survey with a chance to win \$500 or a 65in TV!

SCAN ME!

Greater Chicago Food Depository in conjunction with the Village of Robbins, Robbins Friends of the Park, Village of Robbins Block Clubs, and Neighborhood Network Blue Island & Robbins needs your help with taking a survey to bring a food pantry to the Village for those who may need it! Scan the QR code above with your phone, fill out the survey, and get a chance to win big!



The new and improved Robbins Cable Channel is back! Check with your cable provider on how to access the local government access channel.

Youth Media Workshop

The Office of the Mayor and the Communications Department of The Village of Robbins are preparing to host a youth media workshop! Workshops will include...

- Videography and photography
- Graphic design
- Social Media Management & more!

For more information and pre-registration for the media workshop visit www.robbsin-il.com/residentsinformation.



VILLAGE SPOTLIGHT

Every neighborhood has that local diner that becomes a "go-to" spot for its residents. Robbins has had its fair share of notable restaurants in the past, and now Ding Kong makes the latest splash into the restaurant industry for Robbins. I visited about an hour or two before lunch and had myself a turkey burger (honestly, the best turkey burger I've had in a long time). I was fortunate enough to sit down and chop it up with Ding himself. The owner of Ding Kong and whom the restaurant is named after. Check out the interview below!

Q.) First things first. Where and how did you come up with the name for the restaurant?

A.) Ding Kong?! My nickname is Ding. As I got bigger-muscle a friend of mine started calling me "Ding Kong". From there it just stuck with me.



Q.) So are you originally from Robbins?

A.) I grew up on both sides [of Robbins]. I grew up over here in the new homes right across the street from Kellar. Then I grew up on 135th and Central Park. Everyone on 135th knows me as "The One in Black." Everyone in the new homes knows me as Ding.

Q.) How did you get you into cooking?

A.) I always liked to cook! At the time that's how I got my wife. Cooking chicken wings, and tacos! From there I just started trying different dishes. That led me to cooking for family, and potlucks.



Q.) If someone walks in here and has no clue what to get. What is the go-to item on your menu?

A.) I would tell them to get that pork chop! If you're into pork get that pork chop!

Q.) Finally, what made you want to bring your restaurant to Robbins?

A.) I just wanted to do it here in Robbins. I have been trying to get this building for about 10 or 12 years, and I wanted to give Robbins a place where they can come and have some good food.



I finished my turkey burger and fries with Ding Kong's special bbq sauce and was truly satisfied. Best turkey burger I had in a long time. Ding Kong serves everything from burgers to salmon croquettes. Ding Kong also employs the youth and residents from the Village of Robbins. I will be back. Visit Ding Kong Monday - Sunday from 6 AM - 8 PM. Located at 3316 W. 139th St.

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Like Us On Facebook!



The Robbins Community Garden is a place where residents can indulge in the farm-to-table concept by purchasing fresh organic produce. There are many new developments in store for the upcoming season. To volunteer or donate please contact Kyiesha Hill at 708-466-2971.

Village Meetings

Village of Robbins Council Meeting

- Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, at the Dr. Irene H. Brodie Courtroom 3323 W. 137th St. second floor.

Robbins Committee of the Whole

- Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, at the Dr. Irene H. Brodie Courtroom 3323 W. 137th St. second floor.

Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting

- 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, at the Dr. Irene H. Brodie Courtroom 3323 W. 137th St. second floor.

2022 FIRST QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS



MARCH 2022
ROBBINS YOUTH RALLY



APRIL 2022
ROBBINS SPRING CLEAN-UP



APRIL 2022
ROBBINS WATER
INFRASTRUCTURE
RESOLUTION



MAY 2022
RPD CONTRACT AGREEMENT



MAY 2022
SWEARING IN OF NEW V.A.
SHUNTAI SYKES



MAY 2022
CLERK DYSON HOMETOWN
HERO CEREMONY



MAY 2022
MINISTERS ALLIANCE AND
ROBBINS UNITED PEACE WALK

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Gregory Jackson

Village Administrator

Shuntai Sykes

Legislative Asst.

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Northwest Crawford Block Club

President Warren Madkins

Lincoln Manor East Block Club

President Helen Echols

Lincoln Manor West Block Club

President Kandy Carrington Hicks

Midtown Organization Block Club

President Yolandia Hudson

East Claire Community Block Club

President Thelma Ellis

Finley/Glen Block Club

President Mary Jackson

Maxey Court Block Club

President Zachary Fulson

Block Club Coordinator

Leota Murphy

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