

## Village of Third Lake

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Boating season is almost here again. The Village of Third Lake would like to thank you for registering your watercraft for the 2020 season. Last year residents of unincorporated Lake County, who are part of the Third Lake and Druce Lake communities, were able to register their watercraft at the resident rate. Many unincorporated residents were concerned that this rate was only temporary. I would like to inform you that the Village has amended the Boating Ordinance (Ord 21-01-01) to allow non-Village residents in the unincorporated areas to continue to purchase registrations at the same rate as residents of the Village of Third Lake. The Village strives to maintain safe and healthy lakes and your continued support ensures that our lakes remain an asset to our lake community.

There are a few additional changes to the Lakes Ordinance that I would like to bring to your attention. All watercraft over 10 feet in length need to be registered with the Village even if the watercraft falls under the exemption clause for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). Canoes, kayaks, and paddle boats are still exempt from registering with the Village. In addition to the Red Flag that has been used to indicate when no wake is allowed on Third Lake, the Village will now use a Yellow flag on both Third Lake and Druce lake to indicate when there is an urgent message regarding lake conditions. If a yellow flag is flown, please view the Village website for important information. The entire ordinance is available on our website at thirdlakevillage.com.

The registration stickers are now available at Village Hall for the 2021 boating season. The Village Hall is open from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. To order by mail, please send a completed form available on the website and a check payable to Village of Third Lake for the appropriate amount or contact Village Hall with a credit card (a small convenience fee is added for all credit card purchases). Please include a copy of your state registration if you have received a new one since last year.

Happy Boating!

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Mayor

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