

Village of Lake in the Hills Press Release

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Peter D'Agostino Receives APWA Award for Exceptional Performance Under Adversity

Lake in the Hills, IL – The American Public Works Association (APWA) recognized Peter D'Agostino, Village of Lake in the Hills Administrative Services Manager, with their Award for Exceptional Performance Under Adversity for his service to the Public Works Department throughout 2020 when significant challenges confronted the department.

Promoted to Administrative Services Manager at the start of 2020, D'Agostino acted quickly to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic while onboarding many new staff members. Challenges multiplied when he assumed the role of Interim Public Works Director mid-year.

D'Agostino guided capital projects toward completion, including three playground replacements, one skate park replacement, and the Turtle Island Improvement Project, managed community amenities in a pandemic environment, guided the department's annual budget preparation, and met the needs of his staff while ensuring the continuity of services throughout the shutdown.

"This award is very highly deserved as the depth and complexity of the numerous challenges Peter faced cannot be understated," said Public Works Director Tom Migatz. "Peter's leadership, professionalism, and dedication to the organization have proven invaluable, and this recognition at the national level is a great celebration of his sincere commitment to our community."

D'Agostino was originally recognized by the APWA Fox Valley Branch and later selected to receive the award at the national level. The Village of Lake in the Hills Board of Trustees formally recognized and congratulated D'Agostino at their May 13, 2021 meeting.

"Peter's selfless service to our community marks him as a true public servant," said Village Administrator Fred Mullard. "His accomplishments and persistence in the face of significant challenges make him a worthy recipient of this honor. We are grateful to have him on our team."

The Lake in the Hills Public Works Department seeks to preserve and enhance the highest quality of life, safeguard public health and safety, and promote economic growth by providing services that are well-planned, environmentally sensitive, and cost-effective. Learn more about the Public Works Department at lith.org or contact the department at 847-960-7500.

Photo Attached: (Left to right) Village President Ray Bogdanowski, Administrative Services Manager Peter D'Agostino, Public Works Director Tom Migatz, and Village Administrator Fred Mullard at Village Hall on August 26, 2021.

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