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October 6, 2020

Ms. Gina Mellenthin  
4N150 Pine Grove  
Bensenville, Illinois 60106

Re: September 22, 2020 FOIA Request

Dear Ms. Mellenthin:

I am pleased to help you with your September 22, 2020 Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"). The Village of Bensenville received your request on September 22, 2020. You requested copies of the items indicated below:

*"Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act White Pines Civic Association is asking for any and all ComEd bills for all back up wells and a water ledger for the last three years."*

On September 25, 2020 the Village provided you with a voluminous request notification and asked that you revise your FOIA Request.

On September 28, 2020 you submitted a revised request indicating the following:

*"Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act White Pines Civic Association is requesting the water ledger for one year from the town on Bensenville."*


This revised request was received by the Village of September 29, 2020.

On September 29, 2020, The Village asked you to clarify "water ledger" and the type of record(s) you are seeking (email attached). The Village has yet to receive a response from you.

Therefore, based on the information provided and the timeline of FOIA; the Village has no records responsive to your request.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns in connection with this response.

Very truly yours,

  
Corey Williamsen  
Freedom of Information Officer  
Village of Bensenville

## Corey Williamsen

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**From:** Corey Williamsen  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 29, 2020 8:07 AM  
**To:** 'Gina Mellenthin'  
**Subject:** RE: FOIA-Request-Form2016(11).pdf

Good Morning Gina-

Can you clarify "water ledger" and the type of record you are seeking?

Thanks,

**Corey Williamsen**

Deputy Village Clerk



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**From:** Gina Mellenthin <ginawpca@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 28, 2020 5:10 PM  
**To:** Corey Williamsen <CWilliamsen@bensenville.il.us>  
**Subject:** FOIA-Request-Form2016(11).pdf

Sent from my iPhone



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September 25, 2020

**Ms. Gina Mellenthin**  
4N150 Pine Grove  
Bensenville, Illinois 60106

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – Village of Bensenville  
Received September 22, 2020

Dear Ms. Mellenthin:

Thank you for writing to the Village of Bensenville ("Village") with your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* You sent a September 22, 2019, FOIA request to the Village seeking copies of *"Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act the White Pines Civic Association is asking for any and all ComEd bills for back up wells and a water ledger for the Last Three Years."*

This correspondence shall serve to notify you that the Village is treating your FOIA request as a voluminous request under Section 3.6 of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(i). Section 2(h) of FOIA defines a voluminous request as "a request that: (i) includes more than 5 individual requests for more than 5 different categories of records or a combination of individual requests that total requests for more than 5 different categories of records in a period of 20 business days; or (ii) requires the compilation of more than 500 letter or legal-sized pages of public records unless a single requested record exceeds 500 pages. "Single requested record" may include, but is not limited to, one report, form, e-mail, letter, memorandum, book, map, microfilm, tape, or recording." 5 ILCS 140/2(h). The Village is treating your FOIA request as a voluminous request because the Village's response will require the compilation of more than 500 letter or legal-sized pages of public records. 5 ILCS 140/2(h); 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(ii).

You must respond to the Village within 10 business days after the date on which this correspondence was sent and specify whether you would like to amend your FOIA request in such a way that the Village will no longer treat your request as voluminous. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(iii). If you do not respond within 10 business days, or if your FOIA request continues to be voluminous following your response to this correspondence, the Village will respond to your FOIA request and assess any fees charged pursuant to Section 6 of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(iv); 5 ILCS 140/6. The Village has five business days after receipt of your response to this correspondence or five business days from the last day for you to amend your FOIA request, whichever is sooner, to respond to your request. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(v). The Village may request an additional 10 business days to comply with your FOIA request. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(vi). If the Village provides responsive records to you and you fail to accept or collect the records, the Village will still charge you for its response pursuant to Section 6 of FOIA. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(viii); 5 ILCS 140/6. Your failure to pay will be considered a debt due and owing to the Village and may be collected in accordance with applicable law. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(viii).

You have the right to have the Village's determination that your FOIA request is voluminous reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General. 5 ILCS 140/3.6(a)(vii).

You may file your Request for Review with the PAC by writing to:

Ms. Sarah Pratt  
Public Access Counselor  
Office of the Attorney General  
500 South 2nd Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62706  
Fax: 217-782-1396  
E-mail: [publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto:publicaccess@atg.state.il.us)

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns in connection with this response.

Very truly yours,



Corey Williamsen  
Freedom of Information Officer  
Village of Bensenville