## Village of Somonauk Freedom of Information Act (F.O.I.A.) Village Rules and Regulations 5ILCS 140/1 et seq.

The following information is being provided to Section 4(b) of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.

All requests to inspect, copy or certify public records of the Village of Somonauk must be submitted to the Village in writing. The Village encourages requesters to submit their requests on a form available at Village Hall and on the Village website. Requests will be accepted by mail, personal delivery, fax, email, or other means available. Form may be used for the requestor's convenience. The Village will review all written requests in any form. The Village will review and respond to each written request in a manner consistent with the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

Requests shall be submitted to:

Freedom of Information Officer Village of Somonauk 131 S. Depot, P. O. Box 218 Somonauk, IL 60552

 Village Hall Phone:
 815-498-3500

 Village Fax:
 815-498-3569

Village email: villageofsomonauk@villageofsomonauk.org

Village Web site: vil.somonauk.il.us

Hour of Operation: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm Monday-Friday

Fees for copies of records are as follows:

Black and white copies (letter or Legal)-No charge for 1<sup>st</sup> 50 pages- \$.15 per page thereafter.

Certification: \$1.00
Maps: \$5.00
UDO: \$30.00 each
Mailing: Cost of Postage

All fees must be paid prior to release of records. All fees must be paid in cash, by cashier's or certified check, or by money order prior to the coping, certification and/or mailing any public record. Documents are furnished free of charge or at the reduced rate if the request is in the public interest in that it is for the health, safety, welfare or legal rights of the general public; and it is not for the principal purpose of personal or commercial benefit.

The Village of Somonauk will respond to all written requests within five (5) business days from the date of request unless the Village requires an extension pursuant to Section 3 (d) of the Act. If an extension is requested or a request denied, the Village will notify the requester in writing stating the specific reason or reasons for the extension or denial.

Records may be inspected or copied. If inspected, an employee must be present throughout the inspection.

If a request is denied the requestor has the right to seek review of the issue by the Public Access Counselor in the Attorney General's Office. The requestor also has the right to seek judicial review by filling a court case.

## Freedom of Information Act Village information

The mission of the government of the Village of Somonauk is to preserve the quality of life by providing municipal services that are responsive to the needs of the residents and businesses and are reliable, efficient and fiscally responsible.

The total amount of operating FY 2022/2023 is approximately \$1,075,170.00. Funding sources are property and personal property taxes, state and federal grants, fines and fees.

Taxes levied may include:

Corporate Funds Bonds and Interest Police Protection Garbage Audit

Liability Insurance Social Security

The Village of Somonauk employees seven (7) full time and six (6) part time employees.

**Municipal Property:** 

Village Hall Somonauk Police Department Somonauk Sewer Plant Water Treatment Plant

131 S. Depot 140 W. DeKalb St. 500 S Gage St. 215 N. Gage St.

Village President: Aaron Grandgeorge

villagepresident@indianvalley.com

815-498-3500

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Jason Diebold Vacant

jdiebold@sbasite.com

**F.O.I.A. Officers:** Rebecca Morphey

Village Administrator/Village Clerk

Denise Mestemaker Angela Seville

Village Treasurer Administrative Assistant

**Village Contact Information:** 

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## **Meeting Schedules**

The Village Board meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Planning & Zoning Board meets quarterly at 4:30 p.m. as needed.

## Public Records Available upon Request (but not limited to)

Subject to any and all applicable exemption

Monthly Statements
Annual Receipts & Disbursement Reports
Budget & Appropriation
Levy Ordinance
Operating Budget
Annual Audit
Minutes/ Agenda
Treasures report Monthly/yearly
Ordinances/ Resolutions
Financial Records
FOIA Requests and answers

Maps & Boundaries Building Permits Codes Salary Schedule