



September 24, 2026

Greetings Sunset Lake Association Members!

Once again, we are approaching the time of year when we hold our Annual Meeting to elect board members and adopt the Association's annual budget. The 2026 Annual Meeting will be held at Hanauer Hall, located at 30505 East Lake Drive, Girard, IL 62640, at 10:00 AM on Saturday, October 17, 2026.

There are three (3) board positions open for election this year, each for a regular three-year term. You may vote for up to three candidates, but you are not required to vote for all three. The candidates running for board positions are listed on your ballot, and space is provided for write-in votes as well. Included in this packet is a statement provided by each of the candidates for the board positions.

The ballot (with raised seal) included in your packet IS YOUR OFFICIAL BALLOT. If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting in person, you must bring this ballot with you to cast your vote, and you must sign in for your vote to be counted.

You may also vote by Absentee Ballot by either dropping your official ballot off at the Sunset Lake Office or mailing it (via U.S. Mail) to: Sunset Lake Association, 30505 East Lake Drive, Girard, IL 62640. Absentee ballots must be received (not merely postmarked) no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting time listed above. Absentee Ballots received after that deadline will not be counted.

This year's packet also includes a separate document outlining a proposed annual assessment increase. That document explains the financial considerations behind the proposal, how the increase supports long-term infrastructure and maintenance needs, and how it relates to the 2027 annual budget. A copy of the proposed 2027 budget is included. We are also including a copy of the board's 10-year budget planning document. This document is used to identify potential expenses that we may need to anticipate in the coming years. It includes some operational expenses and some project/capital expenses. This is a perpetual planning document with a new year added as one drops off. Note that this is not a proposed budget but simply a planning document of what could be. We strongly encourage members to review all this information and contact any current board member with questions prior to the meeting.

The meeting will also be live-streamed on YouTube for members who cannot attend in person. You may join the stream at: <https://www.youtube.com/@SunsetLakeBOD/streams>

We look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting on October 17th.

Sincerely,

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