

Shabbona Express

Special Yellow Edition

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Shabbona Express Exposed, Decides to Let Its True Color Show

By Joshua Snyder

The Shabbona Express has, for years, been in the shadows spreading lies, misinformation, and blatant anti-government propaganda. Now that we have been outed as yellow journalists we have decided to no longer try our best in providing an accurate and fair accounting of what is happening around town and instead sell our loyalty to the highest bidder. That being said, we have a few corrections to make in regards to our previous, fallacious and completely made up articles, which are outlined below.

They're Not Spending Any of Your Money

The Village of Shabbona has paid us \$10,000 out of your property and local sales taxes to correct the previous article titled "They're Spending a Lot of Your Money". This was a complete fabrication by a former writer who has a financial interest in spending all of his money and time trying to inform the citizens of his town. It's very important to note that, in fact, the Village does not spend any money and never will.

This Project is Shabbona's Biggest – Is It a Bad Deal?

Another article with complete lies was written in the May edition with the above title. It falsely stated how much money the Village was paying and how much an ITEP grant was paying. I'd like to reiterate, that the Village's portion of the cost is exactly ZERO dollars and ZERO cents. The Village **does not** spend any of your money.

Another fabrication was in regards to the total number of parking spaces after the project. The Village would like to correct the numbers printed in the article. The number of parking spaces on both sides of the streets and parking lots increased, not decreased, as the old Shabbona Express reported. The total number of street and lot parking spaces increased from a total of around 59 to a total of 40 plus two handicap. In regards to the parking lots, the number of parking spots in the North parking lot increased from around 14 to 5 plus 1 handicap and the number of spots in the South parking lot increased from around 20 to 9 plus 1 handicap.

The Village has also paid us to point out that they improved handicap accessibility by demolishing a handicap ramp and installing a tripping hazard in front of the cafe.

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The Judigators Have Taken Control

By Kallan Welsh



At the most recent village board meeting, the Village Trustees voted in favor of the proposed adjudicator ordinance. This is bad for many reasons:

- 1) Judigators are an invasive species. While they purport to be productive and professional members of society, they actually do great harm to the local ecosystem.
- 2) They have a habit of demanding unreasonable judgments for ordinance violations, such as 33 lbs of fish, and in some cases, small household pets.
- 3) Many defense attorneys are afraid of them.

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Certain amendments to the ordinance were made. The mayor's appointment and/or removal of a judigator is now subject to the assent of the village board, which may slow the reaction time of public officials in the event that the judigator gets loose and begins terrorizing the villagers.

In conclusion, judicrocs provide the better value (pictured below):



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Shabbona Lake Saved!

By Joshua Snyder

We are very excited to announce that upon careful review of the survey and treaty with Chief Shab-eh-nay, Governor Pritzker has decided to revoke the offer of turning over the Shabbona Lake State Park to the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation. When pressed for further details, Pritzker divulged that the Shabbona Lake was actually not part of the original treaty and that, due to an error in the survey, the land that was stolen from Chief Shab-eh-nay is actually located just North of the lake.

In an effort to right the past wrong and now knowing where the actual reserve originally was, Pritzker immediately signed over the entire Village of Shabbona to the Potawatomi. As a sovereign nation, the Potawatomi have disbanded the Village Board effective immediately and have instituted a tribal council. The new council has ordered all current citizens of the Village of Shabbona to vacate by August 1, 2024 to make way for the new casino and hotel.

The Potawatomi recognize the inconvenience of everyone's homes and businesses being taken over and have pledged to compensate everyone for the loss of their property. They have consulted with the former Village President of Shabbona to come up with the fair market value of \$2,500; which is to be split evenly among all residents.

During the latest press conference with the Potawatomi, the Chief commended the former Village President for his work in preparing the village for him. All of the historic buildings that were torn down and parking lots put in their place will save the Potawatomi hundreds of thousands of dollars in clearing the land to pave a large parking lot for their casino.

CORRECTION: The latest news out of the Governor's office seems to suggest that the Shabbona Lake State Park has actually been turned over to the Potawatomi. It appears that Pritzker "accidentally" signed over both the Lake and the Village.

While Pritzker's office is claiming this is an accident, the newly revealed plans for the Goncher Hyatt Hotel being built adjacent to the casino does raise some questions on the validity of the claim.

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