

Kevin Wieland

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Subject: Request to Amend the Pool Safety Policy

Village Board Attendance Request:

My name is Joe Kiedinger. My wife, Danica, and I have moved from De Pere, where we spent our entire lives, to the Village of Allouez last year July. We are loving this village and all the curb-side services we are receiving! It's awesome!

We are fulfilling my wife's dream (not mine, but I'm a team player) of installing an in-ground swimming pool at our 229 Rosemont Dr property.

Like in all communities, there is a policy requiring a fence surrounding the perimeter property where the pool sits. For obvious reasons, this is for safety so children and others don't fall in and drown.

These policies have been put in place for decades, and rightfully so.

Modern technology has allowed for 'exceptions' to be made. De Pere, Ledgeview and many surrounding communities have recognized advancements in pool security. Today, pools can have locking covers, similar to hot tubs. The new technology has lock keypads. The pool can only be accessed by knowing the proper password.

Most importantly, these covers can be walked on by pets and people and will not collapse under their weight. Nor, is water allowed on it's surface (like old standard covers).

I would like to present this technology to the Village Board so that they can see how this newer technology is actually safer than fences. For example, the current requirement is fences need to be at least 4-feet high. A five-year-old can easily climb over a four-foot fence because it's there and it's fun.

With an auto-pool cover, that same child would have no chance at harm should they wander into a neighbors pool-safe cover.

My goal for this presentation is to share this technology with the board for their considerations to amend the policy for exceptions when individuals invest in this newer pool-safe technology.

Thank you,

Joe Kiedinger - 229 Rosemont Dr, Village of Allouez