

MEMORANDUM

TO: STAFF

**COPY: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DEPARTMENT HEADS**

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: December 30, 2011

RE: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2011

VILLAGE HALL CLOSED MONDAY IN OBSERVANCE OF NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY

The Village Hall will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2012 in observance of New Year's Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 3 at 8:30am. Please note that garbage pick-up for residential customers will be one day later due to the "Monday" holiday.

NIPAS CALL OUT – PARTRIDGE LANE

On Wednesday afternoon, December 28, Police units responded to a domestic battery call in the 2400 block of Partridge Lane where a female family member indicated to Dispatch and arriving officers that the other family member had retreated to an area where guns and ammunition were stored in the home. As the female resident was exiting the home and calling 911, she heard what appeared to be a loud bang, indicative of a possible gun shot. First responding units attempted to make contact with the resident in the home in a variety of means, all of which were unsuccessful. At that point, the female resident was escorted off the property to a safe location and neighboring homes were evacuated or told to remain in safe locations within their homes. Northbrook units set up a perimeter around the house. Based on the availability of weapons and ammunition in the home and the strong likelihood that the male resident inside the home had already fired one round, a command post was set up at Cherry and Western and a NIPAS (Northern Illinois Police Alarm System) Emergency Services Team activation was put in motion. In addition, an ILEAS (Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System) Car Plan was activated which sent us five (5) marked units from neighboring communities who assisted Northbrook in road closures in the neighborhood. Northbrook Fire Units responded and remained on scene.

A combined effort was given by Northbrook Police Units and Administration, NIPAS and Northbrook Fire to resolve the situation in the safest manner. Again, after numerous attempts to make contact with the individual inside the home were unsuccessful, a decision was made to send NIPAS video equipment into the home. Through this process, it was determined that the male homeowner was lying on the basement floor with what appeared to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Northbrook Fire units assisted in processing the scene which was turned over to Northbrook Police Detectives who proceeded to handle the death investigation. A preliminary report from the Cook County Medical Examiner has advised the manner of death to be suicide.

Once again, Northbrook's memberships in the Northern Illinois Police Alarm System and Illinois Emergency Alert System have proved to be invaluable in a time of need.

BURGLARIES

Police are investigating a residential burglary occurring over the evening of December 23 in the 1900 block of Summerton Place. Items removed included contents of a safe, a television, jewelry, and a hand gun.

A purse was stolen from an employee's locked vehicle parked at J. Alexander's on Lake Cook Road during the evening hours of December 26.

NIPAS EMERGENCY SERVICES TEAM CALL-OUT IN WAUKEGAN

Northbrook's NIPAS EST representative responded to a call-out in Waukegan on Thursday, December 29, in connection with an alleged carjacking and shooting death of a Waukegan man. Three (3) individuals believed to be involved, were rooted out of a high rise apartment complex in Waukegan and are in custody.

DOWNTOWN PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Due to a scheduling conflict, the Downtown Plan Steering Committee scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2012, needs to be rescheduled. Staff is in the process of working with the consultant team and Committee members to find another date and time at the end of January/beginning of February.

REPAIRS TO LAKE-COOK ROAD BRIDGE OVER EDENS EXPRESSWAY

The Village Engineer has been notified by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) that they have a construction contract being solicited for competitive contractor bids to make repairs to the Lake-Cook Road bridge over the Edens Expressway (I-94/US 41). The repair work will include bridge approach and deck patching and an overlay. During construction, traffic on Lake-Cook Road will be reduced to one (1) lane in each direction. All the turning lanes will be maintained. The bid opening will be March 9, 2012. The contractor has been allotted 50 working days to complete the work. No specific start or completion date has been provided yet. We will provide more information as it becomes available.

CAR VS. SEMI ON TOLLWAY RESULTING IN CAR FIRE

Firefighters were called to the scene of a vehicle accident involving a car and a semi-tractor southbound on the Tri-State at Sanders Road early Tuesday morning, December 27 (see picture at right). When crews arrived they found a car heavily damaged and on fire. The driver was out of the car and with State Police. Firefighter/Paramedics extinguished the fire. The truck driver was not hurt.



AUTO ACCIDENT AT WAUKEGAN AND THE SPUR

Early Thursday morning, December 29, the icy roads brought about numerous calls for the Northbrook Fire Department. EMS and auto extrication response was dispatched to Waukegan and the Spur for a traffic accident. An SUV spun on ice and collided (T-Bone) into a light post (picture at left). The light post was in the driver compartment space and the driver was critically injured. Firefighters performed prolonged extrication to gain access to the patient from the passenger side of vehicle. The injured driver was treated in the vehicle during the extrication work and was immobilized and transported to a level one trauma center for care. An additional patient, a tow

truck driver, was also transported from the scene after he slipped on the ice and struck his head on pavement.

NORTHBROOK EAST STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITY

The Village's consulting engineering firm, Patrick Engineering, continues to prepare final engineering drawings and bid package materials. Patrick Engineering is also in the process of finalizing the United States Army Core of Engineers (USACOE) and Cook County Highway Department permits necessary for the construction of the detention facility. A second meeting with the Northbrook East neighborhood to provide additional information on two (2) alternative sites is tentatively planned for January 2012. After the second meeting with

the neighborhood, staff will bring the project to the Village Board seeking direction as to whether competitive bids should be solicited for the construction of the project.

NEW MASTER STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Stormwater Management Commission recommended approval of an addendum to the New Master Stormwater Management Plan (MSMP) at their meeting on December 15 to include six (6) additional areas. These additional areas have experienced worsening structure and street flooding during high intensity rain fall events since the initial development of the New MSMP. The addendum to the MSMP and a change order for the consultant’s contract for study and preliminary design of improvements has been placed on the January 10 agenda for the Village Board’s consideration. Residents in the six (6) areas have been notified by mail that the topic will be on the January 10 agenda.

ICE CONTROL OPERATION

Public Works crews conducted only their third snow and ice control operation of the winter season on Thursday morning when a light rain fell causing icing conditions on the Village’s roadways. Ice control operations were started shortly after 6:00am and were completed at roughly 8:30am.

WATER MAIN BREAK

At noon on Tuesday, December 27, Public Works was notified of a water main break on a 6-inch cast iron main located in the rear yard of 1737 Happ Road. The break occurred under a split rail fence within a few feet of several large trees and 8ft from a brick detached garage. Despite the difficult circumstances, a crew of five (5) Public Works employees was able to repair the break by 3:45pm, with only a 1hr-45min disruption of water service to nine (9) homes.



REMINDER: COMCAST TO FEATURE LONDON’S NEW YEAR’S DAY PARADE LIVE ON CHANNEL 101

Thanks to the folks at Comcast, regional cable subscribers will have the opportunity to watch the London New Year’s Day Parade LIVE on Comcast Channel 101 throughout the greater Chicago area. The Glenbrook North High School Band will be marching in the parade. Residents will have to wake up early as the parade steps off at 11:45am Greenwich Mean Time, which is 5:45am our time. Special thanks to Comcast for arranging to carry the live satellite feed on Cable Channel 101 and congratulations to our GBN Marching Band!

WEEK OF JANUARY 2, 2012

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| SUN. | 1/1 | | New Year’s Day |
| MON. | 1/2 | | New Year’s Day Observed - Village Hall Closed – No garbage pick-up |
| TUES. | 1/3 | 7:30 p.m. | Plan Commission - Cancelled |
| WED. | 1/4 | | No Meetings |
| THURS. | 1/5 | 6:00 p.m. | Arts Commission - Northbrook Public Library |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Community Relations Commission - Northbrook Library, Civic Room |
| FRI. | 1/6 | | No Meetings |