

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** STAFF

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

**FROM:** Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

**DATE:** March 29, 2013

**RE:** STAFF BRIEFING

### WEEK OF MARCH 25, 2013

#### STORMWATER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION MEETING

The Stormwater Management Commission met on Thursday, March 21. At the meeting, members received brief updates from Village Engineer Paul Kendzior on the first sub-committee meeting with members from the Environmental Quality Commission and the FY 2012/13 and FY 2013/14 stormwater improvement projects. Members of the sub-committee indicated that the Village is on track with incorporating stormwater best management practices (BMPs) where applicable into the improvement projects.

The rest of the Commission meeting included discussion on encouraging rain gardens and other BMPs and stormwater harvesting for new developments in the Village. The current requirement for the direct connection of the storm sump pump discharge line to the Village's main line storm sewer system was also discussed in detail. It was reaffirmed that the requirement is necessary because of the high probability of standing water, nuisance drainage concerns, and icing/freezing issues in cold temperatures if the discharge lines were allowed to splash on grade. However, staff will continue to be receptive to any measures that can reduce connections to the storm system.

Future meeting topics will include updates on the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC)'s regional flood control projects as contained in their Detailed Watershed Plan that might impact the Village and the Fiscal Year 2014/15 improvement projects, possible incentives for the use of BMPs in new developments, and standards for rain gardens.

#### NORTHBROOK FIREFIGHTERS PROVIDE MUTUAL AID AT TWO MAJOR ACCIDENTS

On Thursday March 28, about 11:30 pm, Northbrook Firefighters assisted Glenview to extinguish a fire involving an Illinois State Trooper's car and a semi tractor-trailer truck on Interstate 294 south of Willow Road. Unfortunately, the Illinois State Trooper died in the accident. Engine 10, Tower 12, and Ambulance 10 responded to the scene on the Tri-State. Afterward, Light Truck 10 assisted the State Police with their major crash investigation.

Earlier on Thursday, a multi-vehicle accident in Wheeling on westbound Palatine near Wheeling Road involving a semi tractor-trailer and seven other vehicles caused havoc to the evening rush hour. Northbrook POC Firefighters and Light Truck 10 responded to assist the Wheeling Police with their accident investigation.

## ANNUAL ASPHALT STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM

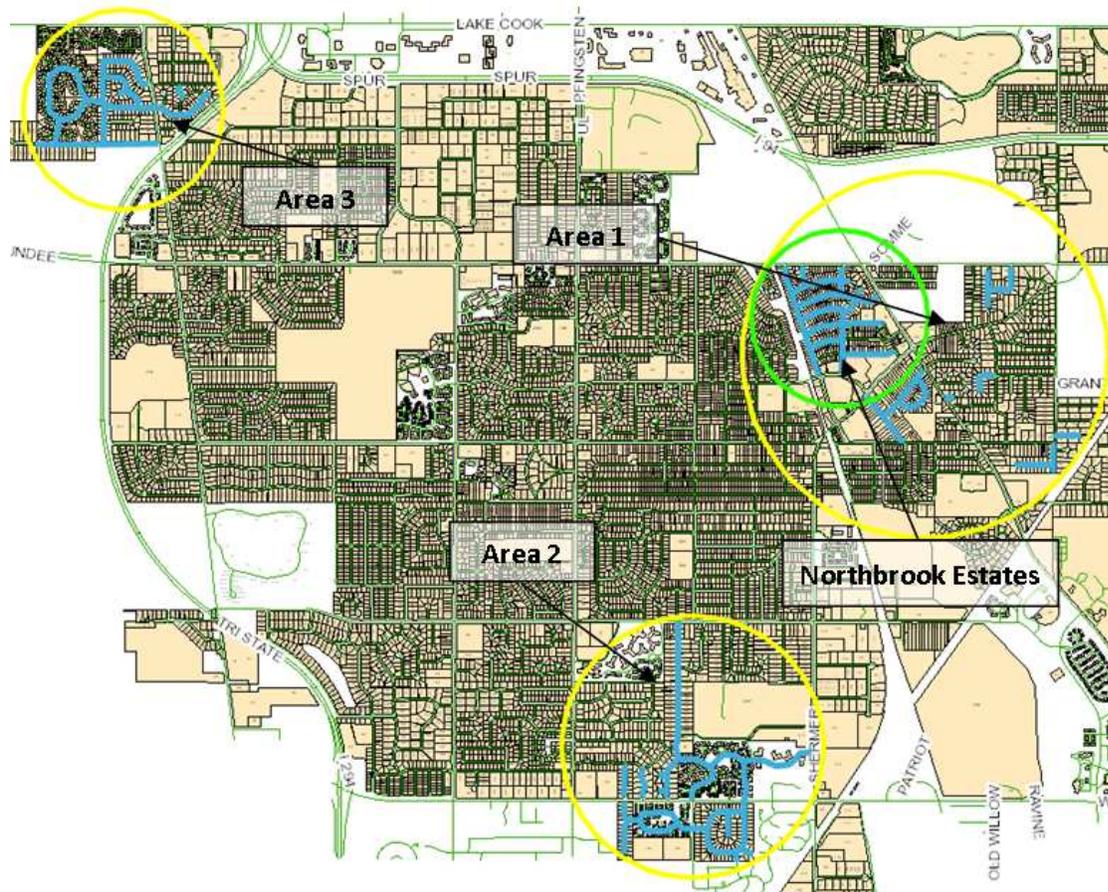
The Public Works Department has programmed resurfacing and patching on nearly 12 miles of roadway for the 2013 construction year. This asphalt resurfacing project is much larger than projects in recent years and therefore will be completed in three phases. Each phase is based on geographical areas (see map below).

Over the last week, staff has been marking sections of curb and sewer structures that require either replacement or adjustment throughout the Northbrook Estates area of Area 1. On Monday, April 1, initial work will begin, including Curran's subcontractor, ALamp Road Builders, performing sewer structure adjustments and replacements. ALamp will begin replacing sections of curb the following week.

All residents and businesses within Area 1 have received a mailed notification that provides general information about the project and what can be expected throughout the construction season. Copies of the notification letter are included on the Village's website. Follow up notifications will be hand delivered to residents whose driveway will be affected by curb replacement as they will lose access for 3-4 days to allow for the removal, replacement, and curing process.

The residents and businesses in Areas 2 and 3 will receive initial notifications when the commencement date for those areas nears. Work in area 2 is expected to begin in mid to late May and work in Area 3 is expected to begin in mid to late July. The entire project is scheduled to be complete by the end of October.

Updates of this, and all of the Village's infrastructure projects, will be posted to the Construction Projects page of the Village website at [www.northbrook.il.us/ConstructionProjects](http://www.northbrook.il.us/ConstructionProjects)



**QUICK ACTING HOMEOWNER PUTS OUT FIRE CAUSED BY CANDLE**

On Wednesday evening, March 27, a homeowner in the 2000 block of Techny noticed a fire in the kitchen and was able to extinguish it before it caused extensive damage. When firefighters arrived, they could smell something burning from the street. The house had a fair amount of smoke or haze on the first floor with the doors and windows already opened. The homeowner stated that her child (approximately 4-5 years old) had placed a roll of paper towels on the countertop next to a candle and the entire roll caught on fire. The paper towels were underneath a cabinet and caused some minor damage to the cabinet. The homeowner extinguished the fire with a dry chemical extinguisher. Firefighters checked for extension to the cabinet and the wall using a Thermal Imaging Camera but there was no extension. Firefighters used a fan to help remove the smoke, and assisted with the cleanup of the mess created by the dry chemical powder and the fire.



Northbrook Fire Prevention Bureau Director Kevin Frangiamore reminds residents to keep a fire extinguisher handy at home, to check it for pressure and to ensure that the hose is intact. It's also important to replace fire extinguishers every 5 years.

**WEEK OF APRIL 1, 2013**

<b>SAT.</b>	<b>3/30</b>	<b>9am-5pm</b>	<b>Early Voting - Board Room</b>
<b>MON.</b>	<b>4/1</b>	<b>9am-5pm</b>	<b>Early Voting - Board Room</b>
<b>TUES.</b>	<b>4/2</b>	<b>9am-5pm</b>	<b>Early Voting - Board Room</b>
		9:00 a.m.	Department Head Staff Meeting - Terrace Room
		7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission - Board Room
<b>WED.</b>	<b>4/3</b>	<b>9am-5pm</b>	<b>Early Voting - Board Room</b>
		5:30 p.m.	Rescheduled Architectural Control Commission - Terrace Room
<b>THURS.</b>	<b>4/4</b>	<b>9am-5pm</b>	<b>Early Voting - Board Room</b>
		5:30 p.m.	Electrical Commission - Terrace Room
		6:00 p.m.	Arts Commission Meeting – Shermer Study
		7:00 p.m.	Arts Commission ART Show - Northbrook Public Library
		7:00 p.m.	Community Relations Commission - Northbrook Public Library
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>4/5</b>	<b>9am-5pm</b>	<b>Early Voting - Board Room</b>
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>4/6</b>	<b>9am-5pm</b>	<b>Last Day for Early Voting - Board Room</b>