

MEMORANDUM

TO: STAFF

COPY: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES - DEPARTMENT HEADS

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: August 1, 2014

RE: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF July 28, 2014

JULY 28 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING

The Northbrook Zoning Board of Appeals held their regular meeting on Monday, July 28. The ZBA held a continued discussion of a proposed backup power generator in the required side yard of 1217 Western Avenue. The ZBA had previously granted several other variation requests for the property; however, during the May meeting, the ZBA postponed a decision on the backup generator so that the ZBA could review the screening used for an air conditioning unit in the required 6-foot side yard.

The applicant revised their request prior to the July meeting and proposed adding a stone wall to screen the backup generator. Ultimately, the ZBA voted 6-1 to approve the variation to allow the generator to be located in the side yard, subject to installing the stone wall. The next ZBA meeting will be held on August 25, 2014.

POLICE NEWS

Officer Guy Nakamura has announced his retirement effective August 15, 2014 after almost 34 years of service to the Village. Congratulations Guy, and enjoy your well-earned retirement!

The Police Department welcomes part-time Community Service Officer Amanda Jaegers. Amanda's responsibilities include station tours, providing assistance to Patrol Officers and assisting Community Relations with projects and various events such as Northbrook Days, National Night out, etc. Welcome Amanda!

Police Chief Wernick and Counseling Services Director Nancy Vaccaro facilitated a Social Worker Safety presentation to approximately 25 clinicians from the New Foundations Agency. This agency services chronically mentally ill clients in patients' homes and in the community. This presentation deals heavily with Social Workers' personal safety. The Foundation will base the information they learned from this presentation to formulate their policy and procedures on job safety and security.



Community Relations Supervisor Dan Petka conducted a presentation to the Divine Word Mission this week. The presentation, given periodically, is a means to orientate new mission members who come from all parts of the world and may not be particularly familiar with our Police procedures. Supervisor Petka explains what may be expected when they encounter police contact.

POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING

The Police Department will be utilizing the Firearms Training Simulator (F.A.T.S) system for lifelike simulated training. The F.A.T.S. system is an entirely interactive module that uses a computer program, a large screen, and firearms that are loaded with computer chips instead of ammunition. The F.A.T.S system is on loan from North East Multi-Regional Training at no cost to the department.



The software on the F.A.T.S system was designed to simulate police calls and stops. The system allows for replay and analysis of the officers' actions.

NORTHBROOK FIRE DEPARTMENT TECHNICAL RESCUE SKILLS PUT TO THE TEST

At approximately 3:00pm on July 29, the Northbrook Fire Department responded to the 3000 block of River Falls Drive for a person who fell into a window well. Paramedics found a single occupant in the window well who was unable to get out due to the injuries. Additional firefighters were requested which included two on duty Technical Rescue Team (TRT) members. While the patient was treated, TRT members were able to set up a mechanical system with pulleys and ropes to remove the patient without further injury. The patient was transported to a local hospital in stable condition.



DUNDEE ROAD INTERMITTENT RESURFACING

The Village has been notified that the Illinois Department of Transportation will be performing intermittent resurfacing of Dundee Road between Wolf Road and Waukegan Road. Work is tentatively scheduled to begin during the week of August 11. Informational signage will be installed a week before the work begins. Residents may also sign up for Construction Notices on Northbrook Notify and include an email address for a construction reminder. Visit www.northbrook.il.us to sign up!

ASPHALT STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM

The asphalt street resurfacing program continued this week with the Village's contractor, Peter Baker and Sons, working to patch deteriorated pavement on Shermer Road and Skokie Boulevard. In addition, the contractor worked to install the final layer of pavement on the remaining streets in the project area. Next week, the contractor will be finishing all of the paving and will begin to install pavement markings and finalize any restoration work throughout the project area.

CONCRETE STREET REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Concrete street patching is substantially complete with landscape restoration in progress. Crews will be coming back to seal the joints of the concrete panels in the area. The drive replacement at Fire Station 11 has been finalized with landscape restoration in progress. (Pictured right) The final surface of the pavement patch on Dundee Road will be completed next week at which time the westbound curb lane of Dundee Road will be reopened.



The concrete pavement panels at Catherine and Greenbriar have been removed and the granular sub-base has been placed. Concrete curb and gutter will be poured on Saturday, August 2. During the week of August 4, driveway aprons will be restored and the first layers of asphalt will be placed.

WHITE MOUNTAIN, MOON HILL, AND CAYUGA WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Over the last week, Berger Excavating installed the new 12-inch water main on Landwehr Road from Concord Court to north of Moon Hill Drive. This new water main will be pressure tested, chlorinated, and sampled over the next week prior to placement into service. Berger also completed the installation of the new water services on Cayuga Drive and has commenced the installation of the new water services on Moon Hill Drive and White Mountain Drive.



CENTER AVENUE WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The new water main on Center Avenue passed the pressure testing, disinfection, and water sampling procedures over the last week. In addition, A Lamp completed storm and sanitary sewer work that was required as part of the water main improvements. A Lamp is now in the process of installing new water services to transfer each residence from the old water main to the new water main.

HOUSE 406 RESTAURANT OPENED JULY 24

A new restaurant, House 406, opened on Thursday, July 24 in the Northbrook Shopping Plaza space formerly occupied by Chicken Charlie’s (1143 ½ Church Street). House 406 offers area residents and visitors with another exciting downtown dining option. The intimate space has seating for 70 patrons, including 10 seats at the bar. The menu will emphasize “farm-to-table” dining. Stop in and say hello to Northbrook native Jennifer Eisen at House 406. For a complete listing of shopping and dining options in Northbrook, visit www.northbrook.il.us/shopdine

WEEK OF August 4 2014

SAT.	8/2	9:30-11:30am	Northbrook Days Festival – <i>Fun for People with Special Needs</i>
		Noon-11:00pm	Northbrook Days Festival
SUN.	8/3	1pm-9:00pm	Northbrook Days Festival
MON.	8/4		No Meetings
TUES.	8/5	6:00 p.m.	National Night Out Against Crime – Meadowhill Aquatic Center
		7:30 p.m.	Plan Commission– Board Room
WED.	8/6	9:00 a.m.	Rescheduled Fire Pension Board Meeting – Cancelled
THURS.	8/7	7:00 p.m.	Community Relations Commission – Board Room
		7:00 p.m.	Arts Commission – Cancelled, rescheduled to September 4, 2014
FRI.	8/8		No Meetings