

MEMORANDUM

TO: STAFF

COPY: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DEPARTMENT HEADS

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: August 17, 2012

RE: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF AUGUST 13, 2012

NORTHBROOK CUSTOMERS SAVE OVER \$600,000 ON THEIR JUNE/JULY ELECTRIC BILLS

Comparing ComEd's current rate to the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium's Supply Rate, the Consortium announced this week that customers in the eight-community Consortium's program have saved \$2,838,785 during the months of June/July, with Northbrook customers alone saving over \$600,000. Using a historical comparison of electricity use of Consortium's customers, it is anticipated that from June 2012 to May 2013 Consortium customers will save over \$25 million off the supply charge on their electric bill. The North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium includes: Northbrook, Deerfield, Glencoe, Highland Park, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Park Ridge and Skokie.

Northbrook is anticipated to save over \$4.4 million with each resident, on average, saving approximately \$380 annually. This substantial savings clearly represents the positive impacts the Electricity Aggregation process has brought to all eight member communities.

Residents are reminded to be mindful of other suppliers soliciting for customers. All Consortium communities have received phone calls from residents indicating that other energy suppliers have solicited their businesses and may be representing themselves as the Consortium's provider. The Consortium will only communicate with our residents and businesses through official letterhead or on our official websites and will not make phone calls soliciting business. If you are concerned about phone calls that you are receiving, contact the Illinois Commerce Commission at 1-800-524-0795. The Illinois Commerce Commission is the regulating body of all electric suppliers in Illinois.

KENDAL MALTAS NAMED NORTHBROOK'S NEW ASSISTANT TO THE VILLAGE MANAGER

Kendal Maltas, who has served the Village of Northbrook as Management Analyst since 2009, was promoted to Assistant to the Village Manager effective August 15, 2012. She will be filling the position left vacant by Dan Kaup, who resigned to take a new position on July 27. Kendal holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communications with a minor in Business Administration from Carthage College and a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Northern Illinois University. Maltas is also a member of the Illinois Association of Municipal Management Assistants and the Illinois City/County Management Association. Prior to her work with the Village of Northbrook, Kendal was employed with the Village of Deerfield and worked as the Communications Projects Manager with the University School of Milwaukee in Wisconsin. Kendal will be assisting the Village Manager and Assistant Village Manager on a variety of projects and initiatives. She has been directly involved in the successful implementation of the Village's electrical aggregation program and various operational initiatives including web-streaming of Board meetings, the redesign of the Village's website and the drafting of the Village's 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan.

Kendal has served Northbrook with professionalism and integrity for the past three years. I am confident that she will be successful in her new position. Please join me in congratulating her on this well deserved promotion!

TENTATIVE JOINT BOARD MEETING TO DISCUSS UNION PACIFIC BRIDGE

The Village Boards of Northbrook and Glenview are tentatively scheduled to meet jointly at 7:30pm, Tuesday, August 28 at the Glenview Village Hall, 1225 Waukegan Road, Glenview. The purpose of the joint meeting is to review information related to a permanent replacement for the railroad bridge at Shermer Road. If the meeting will occur, the agenda for the meeting will be posted late next week on the Village's website at www.northbrook.il.us and will be available at the Village Hall.

SMOKE DETECTOR ALERTS OCCUPANT OF FIRE

At approximately 10:00am on Tuesday, August 14, the Fire Department responded to the 1000 Block of Antique Lane for a reported house fire. Upon arrival, units confirmed heavy smoke exiting from the front of the house and quickly extinguished the fire located on the first floor. There was extensive heat and smoke damage throughout the house with damage estimated in the \$175,000 range. No injuries were reported and the homeowner stated he was alerted to the fire by an activated smoke detector on the first floor. Northbrook was assisted by Fire Departments from Deerfield, Highland Park, and Lincolnshire through mutual aid. Northbrook Public Works repaired a nearby water main break on Old Post Road that may have been attributed to the fluctuation in water pressure while opening the fire hydrant. The cause of the fire is most likely due to combustibles too close to a heat source.



NORTHBROOK FIREFIGHTERS ATTEND 16 HOUR TRUCK OPERATIONS COURSE

Three members of the Northbrook Fire Department attended a hands on Aerial Operations Class. This new program presented by NIPSTA (Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy) teaches Aerial Truck Operators the needed tactics and skills needed in emergency situations. This course evaluates operators in their ability to position and operate an aerial truck in challenging environments for the purpose of rescue, ventilation, and elevated streams. The class was well received by the participants and their experiences will be shared with many other members of the department.

CONCRETE STREET PATCHING/JOINT SEALING IMPROVEMENTS

Work relating to the concrete street patching and joint sealing program continued this week with the Village's contractor, Schroeder & Schroeder having completed the majority of the patching work in the Charlemagne and Sutton Point Subdivisions. Rain delayed the contractor and it is now anticipated that the final patching work will be complete by the end of next week. Immediately after patching work is complete, the joint-sealing work will commence. Joint sealing is a process where the connection points between concrete panels will be power washed and then re-sealed using an epoxy coating to help prevent water from seeping under the panels. This process helps to extend the life of the street by preventing cracks in the road caused by the freeze/thaw cycle. It is anticipated that all work will be complete by mid-September.

ANNUAL ASPHALT STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM

Work relating to the annual asphalt street resurfacing program continued this week. All substantial work has been completed and only a few minor driveway and lawn restorations remain. It is expected that all work will be completed by Labor Day.

TECHNY ROAD PROJECT

Construction along Techny Road continued this week with the continuation of the main line storm sewer beyond Foxglove Drive. Work next week includes the continuation of the main line storm sewer across the frontage of the YMCA. Traffic on Pfingsten Road at the Techny Road intersection has been reduced to one lane in each direction and shifted over to the west side. This new traffic configuration will remain until the end of October. At this point, the project is approximately 35% complete.



WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

The 2012 water main improvement program includes the replacement of water mains on Shannon Road, Woodbine Lane, Crestwood Drive and service replacements on Meadow Road. A pre-construction meeting was held with the Village’s contractor, Lenny Hoffman Excavating, on August 10. Staff will begin the layout process for this project next week and the tentative start date for construction is August 27. Area residents received a notification last week informing them of the upcoming construction.

PAPER SHREDDING AND SPECIAL RECYCLING EVENT ON SAT., AUG. 25 FROM 9AM TO 1PM

The Northfield Township Road District is sponsoring a one day recycling event behind the Northbrook Village Hall, 1225 Cedar Lane on Saturday, August 25 from 9am to 1pm. Northfield Township Road District will collect the accepted recyclables as well as paper to be shredded. Residents are limited to a maximum of three containers, such as shopping bags or computer paper boxes, per person. Please visit www.northbrook.il.us for more details.

SUSAN G. KOMEN 3-DAY BREAST CANCER WALK

On Friday, August 10, participants of the Susan G. Komen 3-Day Breast Cancer Walk gathered in the southwest corner of Macy’s parking lot at Northbrook Court for the walk’s opening ceremony. Participants began the walk before 7:00am and finished at Soldier Field in Chicago on Sunday. Event 360, the event organizer, did a spectacular job planning and coordinating the walk, exceeding expectations. Event 360, Northbrook Public Works, Northbrook Police, Northbrook Fire and Northbrook Court, in addition to the beautiful weather, helped make the Susan G. Komen 3-Day Breast Cancer Walk a great success.

WEEK OF AUGUST 20, 2012

MON.	8/20	7:30 a.m.	Special Meeting Board of Fire & Police Commissioners- Fire Station 11
TUES.	8/21	6:30 p.m.	Gig at the Y –YMCA- People of Swing
		7:30 p.m.	Plan Commission - Board Room
		7:30 p.m.	Committee of the Whole - Terrace Room
WED.	8/22	7am-1pm	Northbrook Farmer’s Market - now at United Methodist, Cherry & Western
THURS.	8/23	3:00 p.m.	Art in the Park Subcommittee Meeting - Terrace Room
FRI.	8/24		No Meetings
SAT.	8/25	9am-1pm	Paper Shredding and Recycling Special Program - NB Village Hall

