

MEMORANDUM

TO: STAFF

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

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: August 27, 2010

RE: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF AUGUST 23, 2010

ICDC MEETING

The following occurred at the August 24 ICDC meeting:

- David Schoon presented the business development logo and tagline developed by the ICDC Marketing Subcommittee, which consists of Pat Lederer, Tensley Garris, Cheryl Fayne-dePersio, and himself. After a number of positive comments, the Commission unanimously approved using the presented logo and tagline for the Village's business development market efforts.
- Tom Poupard presented an update regarding the improvements made in the services of the Building and Development Services Department since the department was created. Commission members commented that the most significant change they have noticed is staff's approach and willingness to work with applicants on finding solutions to identified issues. That change is greatly appreciated.
- The Commission reviewed the request by Mark Vend at 3000 MacArthur Boulevard to amend the Zoning Code to allow electronic message signs in the I-1 District. The Commission's initial reaction was that the Plan Commission's current proposal to allow such signs, including all of the Plan Commission's proposed restrictions, seems appropriate. Given that the Board of Trustees is not scheduled to consider the request prior to the next ICDC meeting, the Commission continued discussion of this item to its September 28 meeting.

The next ICDC meeting is scheduled for September 28.

LARGEST FIRE MUTUAL AID DEPLOYMENT EXERCISE ON RECORD – EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

On Thursday, August 26, MABAS-ILLINOIS conducted the largest fire service deployment exercise simulating a weather disaster including tornadoes in northern Illinois. Thirty-three MABAS Divisions from Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana responded to three sites: NIPSTA in Glenview (North), Sears Center in Hoffman Estates (West), and the Midwest Bank Center in Tinley Park (South). Nearly 1,000 fire personnel and almost 300 vehicles responded to the three reception sites within 90 minutes. A state of the art accountability system was able to track the arrival of each individual firefighter and vehicle in real time. The event was simulcast at the Fire Rescue International Conference (FRI) at McCormick Place, while Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary Janet Napolitano lauded responders Thursday during the opening ceremonies of Fire-Rescue 2010. "We hear you loud and clear. DHS understands, appreciates and stands behind the fire departments of the United States," she told the crowd. Napolitano said homeland security begins with hometown security, and praised responders for trying to keep abreast of challenges in this ever-changing environment.

MABAS-IL and RED Center exceeded all expectations and served as a key focal point of the exercise. RED Center coordinated the mutual aid response from across the State and Wisconsin, Indiana, and Michigan

through the State Emergency Operations Center in Springfield. RED Center was recognized for setting the benchmark which all emergency dispatch centers should strive to achieve.

Northbrook Fire Department participated in the exercise with Chief Nolan serving as the Liaison Officer between the International Association of Fire Chiefs and RED Center. Ambulance 12 responded as part of the MABAS Division 3 Task Force. Deputy Chiefs Schinleber and Richards were members of the North Branch Incident Management Team. Trustee Buehler served with the MABAS-ILLINOIS planning and technology section.

STERICYCLE – 4000 COMMERCIAL AVENUE

On Friday, August 27, David Schoon and Kendal Dean represented the Village at the ribbon cutting ceremony for Stericycle, which occupies a portion of the former Motorola building at 4000 Commercial Avenue.

Stericycle provides [medical waste disposal](#) as well medical waste safety and training among other medical support services. The company, which is headquartered in Lake Forest, employs over 8,000 people worldwide. The Northbrook facility currently employs 425 employees. The facility contains call centers for sales and customer support throughout the country. In addition, the company's human resources division is located in this facility.

During the ribbon cutting ceremony, Stericycle's chief financial officer indicated that company hopes to double the size of this operation in the next five to ten years. The current space the company leases has space in which to grow.

REVERE DRIVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The Revere Drive Reconstruction Project pre-construction meeting was held this week to review the logistics of the project with Chicagoland Paving. Reconstruction of the entire length of Revere Drive (from Lake Cook Road to the cul-de-sac) is scheduled to begin on September 13 with completion anticipated in the first week of November.

During the construction, Chicagoland Paving will work from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 except for two periods of the project (September 13-16 and October 4-8), in which they will work from 2:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Working at night has been permitted to ensure the timely completion of construction work and quell some logistical difficulties associated with this project and the surrounding businesses on Revere Drive.

To minimize the impact on the Williamsburg Subdivision, Northbrook Country condominiums, and homes on Longmeadow, the Village and contractor have taken several steps:

1. Specialized construction equipment will be used to remove the existing pavement and reduce the amount of noise generated during this process.
2. Existing street lights will be used to light the site. Light towers will be used sparingly and when used will be directed away from homes to prevent the intrusion of light into residences.

Attached to this week's briefing is the letter to residents in the Williamsburg Subdivision, Northbrook Country condominiums, and residents living on Longmeadow Drive. The letter is notifying residents of the coming night time construction work. Staff is also working to schedule a meeting next week with the homeowner's associations affected by the construction and a follow up meeting with property owners and businesses on Revere Drive.

\$200,000 GRANT RECEIVED FOR SANITARY SEWER MAINTENANCE AND UPGRADES

The Village of Northbrook received notification that it has been awarded a \$200,000 grant for repair and maintenance of sanitary sewers. This money has been tentatively set aside for the rehabilitation or replacement of a main sanitary sewer line from the ComEd lift station to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District collector sewer line on Sunset Ridge.

\$100,000 GRANT RECEIVED FOR LIGHTING REPLACEMENTS

Staff was notified on Thursday that the Village has received a \$100,000 award for an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant project to replace the lighting at the Public Works Center, Water Treatment Facility and Fleet Maintenance Garage. This will reduce the electrical consumption for lighting for these three buildings by an estimated forty percent, and the Village will realize a savings of nearly \$12,000 per year.

2010 ASPHALT STREET REHABILITATION PROJECT

The 2010 Asphalt Rehabilitation Program will begin on September 7 and is expected to be completed by the first week of November, weather permitting. During the project sections of roadway will be ground down and a new top layer of asphalt will be added. Additionally, spot replacement of curbs and gutters will be replaced where damaged sections do not allowing storm water to properly drain. Residents will be notified by mail that their street has been included in the program. The construction work on a given street will take 6-10 days to complete. The streets included in the program are identified below.

- Construction on the following streets will begin in September and be completed by the first week of October:
 - Ancient Tree Road
 - Barnsley Place
 - Cherry Lane (Ancient Tree Sub.)
 - Colonnades Drive
 - Glenbrook Drive
 - Gregg Road
 - Harborside Drive
 - Lincoln Avenue
 - Northbrook Avenue
 - Sunset Court

- Construction of the following streets will begin in late October and be completed by early November:
 - Berglund Place
 - Dalton Place
 - Longaker Road
 - Marshall Road
 - Otis Place
 - Whitfield Road

NORTHBROOK EAST WATER MAIN PROJECT

Trine Construction Corporation has installed approximately fifty percent of the water main on Whitfield Road. The new water main on Longaker Road passed the pressure test and the main will be chlorinated on Friday, August 27. Water samples will be collected and tested on Monday and Tuesday of next week to ensure that the pipe has been properly sanitized.

NORTHBROOK RECEIVES REIMBURSEMENT FOR NOVEMBER 2009 TRAIN DERAILMENT

On August 24, the Northbrook Fire Department received reimbursement compensation totaling \$24,117.81 from the Union Pacific Rail Road Company for the response to the November 2009 train derailment on Shermer Road. Of this total, \$11,460.20 is for expenses incurred by the Village of Northbrook due to the response of Fire, Police, and Public Works personnel, equipment, and materials. The remaining \$12,657.61 is for expenses incurred by surrounding fire departments and public works for their assistance. The Fire Department is processing checks to our neighbors to reimburse them for their expenses incurred by this incident. Reimbursement was pursued by the Fire Department using Chapter 12 – Fire Prevention and Protection, Article III of the Northbrook Municipal Code, due to the possibility of hazardous material involvement and release.

WHEELING ARMED ROBBERY

Early Thursday afternoon, August 26, an armed robbery of a mobile canteen service occurred in Wheeling on Lake Cook Road, west of Milwaukee Avenue. Northbrook Dispatcher Brian Riley obtained cursory information from Wheeling on the robbery and broadcast it to Northbrook units over the radio. An Illinois State Police Emergency Radio Network (ISPERN) message was then broadcast by Wheeling. Officer Sal

Martinez, on routine patrol, was alerted to the ISPERN message and advised Dispatch he had a vehicle and occupants matching the description in view. Dispatcher Riley immediately switched to Glenview's frequency to advise all units that a Northbrook officer was following the suspect vehicle entering their jurisdiction. Officer Martinez made felony traffic stop (officer weapon drawn and advising driver to turn off the car, exit the vehicle and walk toward him). Within seconds, three Glenview units advised they were out with Northbrook's officer as back-up on his traffic stop. Valuable minutes were saved by Northbrook's relay of this information to Glenview. A heavy police presence on the scene improved officer safety. Wheeling officers arrived with complainant who made a positive identification of both the driver and passenger. The money and a weapon were visible from outside the vehicle and over \$700 in cash and a handgun were later retrieved by Wheeling Police when they conducted a search of the vehicle. Wheeling officers took custody of the offenders from Northbrook and Glenview officers. The immediate reaction time by all involved saved precious moments. Great work and quick thinking by all involved with special mention to Dispatcher Riley and Officer Martinez for their attentiveness and professional handling of probable dangerous criminals.

BURGLARIES TO AUTOS

Over the weekend of August 21, two vehicles, unsecured and parked in their residence driveways on Audrey Lane and Gayle Court, were broken into and a digital camera and currency removed.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY

A house sitter at a residence in the 2800 block of Techny Road called Police on Friday evening, August 20, at approximately 9:30 p.m. reporting that an unknown person had tried to forcibly enter the locked, armed residence. Dogs inside the home alerted the house sitter to the intruder. The house sitter called 911 and gave a physical description of the offender. Patrol units arrived, checked the residence and did a canvass of the neighborhood with negative results. Evidence Technicians processed the scene and the Investigations Unit is working on the case.

ALLERGIC REACTION TO BEE STING

On Sunday, August 22, the 911 Center received a call from a panicked 56 year-old male reporting he had been stung multiple times by bees at Wood Oaks Park. He related his vision was blurred and he sounded as if he was having difficulty breathing. RED Center was immediately conferenced into the call where both police and fire dispatchers questioned the disoriented caller attempting to determine his exact location. The confused caller initially stated he was in a green vehicle, which then changed to beige, and ultimately turned out to be silver. The caller continually faded in and out and could not answer dispatcher questions. It was not sure if he was off the Sanders Road entrance or the Walters Avenue entrance, so two patrol units were dispatched in an attempt to locate the individual and notify the responding ambulance. The caller was located in his vehicle at the North parking lot where he was evaluated, treated, and transported to the hospital.

WEEK OF AUGUST 30, 2010

MON.	8/30		No Meetings
TUES.	8/31	6:30 p.m.	Special Board Meeting
		To Follow	Administration & Finance Committee meeting
WED.	9/1	1:00 p.m.	Fire Union Meeting - GG
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THUR.	9/2	7:00 p.m.	Senior Services Commission – Board Room
		7:00 p.m.	Arts Commission Meeting – Terrace Room
		7:00 p.m.	Community Relations Commission – Northbrook Public Library
FRI.	9/3		Blood Pressure Testing – Shermer Study
MON.	9/6		Labor Day - Village Hall Closed