

MEMORANDUM

TO: STAFF

COPY: VILLAGE PRESIDENT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES - DEPARTMENT HEADS

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: June 13, 2014

RE: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF June 9, 2014

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 10. The Board recognized Engineer / Driver James Frantz for 25 years of service to the Northbrook Fire Department and President Frum proclaimed June 16 a Day Honoring the Decalogue Society of Lawyers in the Village of Northbrook. The Board approved: a Resolution authorizing the purchase of a power cot and associated equipment, a Resolution approving a membership agreement with the Chicago's North Shore Convention and Visitors Bureau, a Resolution approving an agreement with the Cook County Assessor's Office for access to its Geographic Information System, a Resolution authorizing a contract with A. Lamp Concrete Contractors for the Center Avenue Water Main Project, and a Resolution amending and restating Resolution No. 2012-83 supporting and consenting to the approval of Class C Classification for Skodun, LLC at 1000 Skokie Blvd.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Tuesday, June 24.

REMINDER: SHERMER ROAD CLOSURE – CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

Metra is currently performing track repairs and resurfacing of the crossing at Shermer Road in the central business district. Metra anticipates the road to be closed at the crossing until Friday, June 20. Local traffic is being detoured from Shermer Road to Walters Avenue to Cedar Lane to Cherry Lane to Meadow Road (see route map).



ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING

JUNE 12, 2014

The Architectural Control Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, June 12. During the meeting, the ACC reviewed and unanimously recommended approval of a new wall sign for a new restaurant tenant, House 406, at the Northbrook Shopping Center (former Charlie Chicken tenant space) located at 1143.5 Church Street. An ordinance with the ACC recommendation will be presented to the Board for consideration during the June 24 meeting.

The ACC also conducted a review of a request to construct a new three story structure at 1310 -1348 Shermer Road at the Village Green Center (specifically located in the vacant parcel where Kamehachi's outdoor dining is located). The proposed three story structure includes first floor retail with indoor parking in the rear, and the two upper levels would contain five luxury rental apartments per floor. The ACC found the proposed building to be generally acceptable. The commission appreciated that the building materials and colors kept with the existing structures located to the east on the Subject Property. The ACC requested that the Applicant conduct an additional sight line study to determine how many additional faux windows would be needed on the southwest façade to add more character to the structure, as well as requested that the Applicant consider the addition of some balconies or "Juliet" balconies on the front south façade. The Applicant will return to the ACC on July 10 with revisions.

The Commission also approved the elevations for three new single-family homes:

1. 2120 Center (R-5 District) – Lindsay Associates, architect
2. 1924 Alexandra Court (R-3 District) – Lindsay Associates, architect
3. 1740 Chapel Court (R-5 District) – Town Studios, architect

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION...

On Monday evening, the Youth Commission hosted its 5th Annual Film Fest. The event took place at 7pm in the Little Theater of Glenbrook North High School. Participants came from area schools including Maine East, Deerfield, North Shore Country Day School, Glenbrook North and Glenbrook South. The University of Southern California and New York University were also represented. Twelve short films were viewed, an exponential increase from last year's submissions. Prizes were awarded to the most impressive films, as judged by DePaul University Film Professor and GBN alum Matt Irvine. The audience also enjoyed a Q and A session with the filmmakers, as well as a Skype interview with Nathan Flanagan-Frankl, a GBN alum and recent winner in an Oscar's film contest. The Youth Commission wishes to thank the staff and leadership of the Village of Northbrook, the Village Board of Trustees, Glenbrook North High School and the Northbrook Arts Commission for their help in showcasing the creative talents of Northbrook-area youth.

As a reminder, the next meeting of the Youth Commission is scheduled for August 20.

NORTHBROOK FIREFIGHTERS TRAIN FOR FLOOD RESPONSE

From June 3 - June 5, Northbrook Captain David Schweihs and firefighters Bob Gangloff and Ryan Murphy were selected to participate in a Mobilization and Operational Exercise to train and work in conjunction with the Illinois Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) and the Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) IL Task Force Team-1. Funding and overtime reimbursement was provided by FEMA through the Cook County Urban Areas Security Initiative.



MABAS Divisions 1, 3, & 24 Water Rescue Teams were given the opportunity to perform simulated severe storm training exercises involving tornado and severe flooding scenarios at the 1,000 acre Muscatatuck Urban Training Center located in Butlerville, IN. Water Rescue teams performed several rescue exercises involving multiple disciplines including surface, roof, and sub-surface rescue and recoveries from both partial and completely submerged automobiles and full-size residential homes. During the training, the drill site received about four inches of rain, resulting in the water rising nearly seven inches in a matter of hours, providing for a very realistic flooding incident for the rescue participants.

MABAS and USAR are evaluating and developing a water rescue component to be integrated into the USAR structure. In the past few years MABAS has received multiple calls from communities around the state seeking assistance with devastating flooding. Northbrook Fire Department's Water Rescue Team continues to strive for the highest level of preparedness through training and continued education to respond to natural disasters affecting our community or region.

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES ATTEND AMTRAK RESPONSE EXERCISE

On Wednesday June 11, 1014 Police Commander Joel Reyes and Fire Division Chief Tim Cassidy attended a multi-jurisdictional exercise hosted by Amtrak, and funded by the Department of Homeland Security. The exercise was a table top format, featuring information sharing and two response scenarios intended to stress resources and to coordinate multiple public and private agencies for a unified command. The exercise was also attended by several track-sharing railroads, police, fire, and emergency management agencies at the local, state and federal levels.



FIRE CREWS RESPOND TO SMOKE IN THE BUILDING

At approximately 9:30am on Thursday, June 12, Fire and police units responded to the 100 block of Overlook Point for a report of smoke in the building. Upon arrival, crews found the occupants of the residence outside reporting heavy smoke conditions in the residence. Fire crews entered the basement and extinguished a small fire contained to the room of origin. Both occupants of the residence were evaluated by medical personnel and refused treatment. Northbrook received auto aid assistance from Wheeling, Highland Park, Northfield, and Glenview. The fire is currently under investigation and initial findings are indicating a faulty furnace unit.



MAJOR CRASH ASSISTANCE TEAM RESPONSE

On June 6th at 11:53am, MCAT responded to a motorcyclist driving northbound on Waukegan Road at Shermer Road who was struck by a sedan exiting from the Mobile gas station. Multiple Officers responded and secured the scene. Fire Units responding requested Flight for Life which landed at Northbrook Jr. High School. One victim was transported by Flight for Life to Lutheran General Hospital. A second subject was transported by ambulance. The motorcyclist is recovering at Lutheran.

CHICAGO METRO APWA EXPO

Village Engineer Paul Kendzior presented a summary of our Stormwater Utility Fee & Master Stormwater Plan Implementation at this week's American Public Works Association's (APWA) Chicago Metro Exposition that was held in Schaumburg. Paul and fellow stormwater manager counterparts from Downers Grove, Moline and Urbana gave a two-hour long presentation to interested attendees describing each community's fee basis, billings, proceeds and implementation.



WEEK OF June 16, 2014

MON.	6/16		NO MEETINGS
TUES.	6/17	7:30 p.m.	COW Meeting– Terrace Room
		7:30 p.m.	Plan Commission Meeting – Board Room
WED.	6/18	7:00 p.m.	Youth Commission Meeting – Cancelled for summer
THURS.	6/19	7:00 p.m.	Environmental Quality Commission – Shermer Study
FRI.	6/20		NO MEETINGS