



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: July 1, 2016

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF June 27, 2016

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Trustees held its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 28. At the meeting, the Village Board recognized Julia Miller, Cherie Natenberg and Marilyn Jamora for their past service on the Arts Commission and The New Tradition Chorus for its advancement to the International Chorus Contest of the Barbershop Harmony Society. The Board also approved a number of resolutions and ordinances for a variety of items including the renewal of an agreement with Emerald Tree Care for the treatment of parkway elm trees, a contract with R.C. Wegman Construction Company for improvements to the Public Works Center, an agreement with Cargill, Inc. for deicing rock salt for the 2016/2017 winter season, the purchase of a dump truck from San Diego Freightliner and a liquor license for Starbucks (243 Skokie).

Under Planning & Zoning, the Board conducted a preliminary review of the application for a transition services facility at 1620 Sunset Ridge.

The Board's next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 12.

INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Industrial and Commercial Development Commission met on Tuesday, June 28. The Commission held its first set of discussions with Northbrook businesses regarding challenges recruiting and retaining employees. Representatives from Macy's, Lord & Taylor, Waterway, and Mariano's attended the meeting and shared their approaches to recruiting employees and the challenges they face locally with hiring and retaining employees. When asked what the Village or the Chamber could do to assist them with these employment issues, they suggested the following: (a) hosting a job fair for area businesses; (b) working with Pace to improve bus service availability and reliability; and (c) working with the local community colleges and high schools to create better partnerships with local businesses and their employee recruitment efforts. The Commission will continue workforce development discussions with another group of businesses at its Tuesday, July 26 meeting.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION NORTHBROOK CARES SUBCOMMITTEE

The Community Relations Commission's Northbrook Cares Subcommittee met on Wednesday, June 29, to review its previous meeting with local teen representatives and plan for the next few months. The Subcommittee identified some programs of interest to investigate, discussed plans for its website and partnering with local social service agencies to connect teens and parents with those services. The Subcommittee's next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 4, at 7pm at Village Hall. The next regular Commission meeting will be Thursday, August 11 at Northbrook Public Library.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

On Tuesday, June 28, the Police Department honored Father Jim Braband at the Divine Word Provincial Counsel Luncheon meeting on his nine years of service to the Department and community. Over the nine years, Father Braband has responded to 77 call outs, helping grieving Northbrook residents deal with a variety of sensitive issues. Thank you Chaplain Jim, for your compassion, dedication and service to our community.

On Friday, June 24, at 3pm, the Niles Police Department requested the assistance of the Major Crimes Assistance Team (MCAT) in responding to a multi-vehicle crash with a fatality. Northbrook's MCAT representative responded and assisted with the accident, which occurred on Dempster Avenue.

NORTHBROOK ASSISTS NORTHFIELD WITH RESIDENTIAL HOUSE FIRE

On Wednesday, June 29, at 1:30am, Northbrook Engine 11 responded to the 200 block of Eaton Drive in Northfield for a house fire. Upon arrival, E11 was assigned to conduct a primary search of the first floor and then assisted with overhaul on the second floor fire area. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is under investigation. Northbrook Fire Stations were covered by call back personnel during the incident.

NORTHBROOK PARTICIPATES IN STATEWIDE MABAS DRILL

On Monday, June 20, the Fire Department participated in a statewide Mutual Aid Box Alarm System drill, which focused on response to a large-scale incident. The drill was conducted at four locations across the state, including the Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy (NIPSTA) in Glenview. At each location, participants tested a new deployment model for handling multiple simultaneous incidents. Northbrook's shift commander served as the incident commander for the initial local response at NIPSTA. As the scenario escalated, other Departments worked in cooperation to coordinate statewide responses.

WESCOTT PARK PROJECT UPDATE

Works continues on the Wescott Park Stormwater project. To date, the Village's contractor has installed 1,649 of the total 1,722 pieces the project will use. The installation of the storm trap portion of the project is anticipated to be completed by the end of next week.

The installation of new 42-inch storm sewers along Farnsworth Lane will continue for the next several weeks, with an expected completion date on or around Friday, July 22. This work will focus on installing the piping and subsequent restoration of impacted roadway pavement. As part of this work, there will be a planned road closure of Farnsworth Lane between Sunnyside Circle and Ellendale Drive between the hours of 9:40am and 5:00pm. Farnsworth Lane will be reopened each day at 5:00pm. During the daytime closure of Farnsworth Lane, local traffic will be detoured.

Beginning Monday, July 11, restoration of pavement on Farnsworth Lane and adjacent side streets will begin. During the pavement work, there will be road closures for 10 days while the concrete is replaced and cures. Residents whose driveways will be impacted by the work will be notified in advance.

SHERMER ROAD OVERFLOW SEWER PROJECT

Works continues on completing the final restorations for the Shermer Road Overflow project. On Monday, June 27, the Village's contractor began work on the center turn lane on Shermer Road at Woodlawn and transitioned traffic accordingly. The concrete subcontractor completed all necessary patches in this lane and on the sidewalk by the WW Grainger entrance. At this time, only landscaping work remains to be completed. During this evening (Friday, July 1), all lanes of traffic will be reopened.

CONCRETE STREET PATCHING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UPDATE

The Village's contractor completed pouring concrete on one side of the roadway on the streets included as part of the 2016 concrete street patching program and will transition to the other half. Sealing of the joints around the old and new panels will take place after all the pavement has been replaced, followed by restoration of parkways damaged by the concrete work. Please note that parking on streets under construction will continue to be prohibited with the exception of residents who lost access to their driveway due to the panel replacement.

NICOR MAIN REPLACEMENT

Nicor is currently working in the area bounded by Greenbriar, Center, Catherine, and Chestnut, between Cherry Lane and Walters Avenue. Final restoration is taking place over the next few weeks and should be substantially completed by mid- July.

IDOT PROJECTS

Per the Illinois Department of Transportation website: NO SUSPENSION OF CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR JULY 1, 2016 WILL OCCUR AND BUSINESS WILL CONTINUE AS USUAL.

DUNDEE ROAD RESURFACING

With the state budget resolution, the Village is anticipating the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will remobilize after the long holiday weekend to continue the resurfacing of Dundee Road from Portwine Road to I-94 (the Edens).. The first layer of pavement was completed from I-94 to Western Avenue. As of today, IDOT anticipates that work will continue through September. Motorists should obey the posted speed limit and use caution while traveling through this area.

DUNDEE ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

IDOT is improving the intersections at Dundee and Landwehr Roads as well as Dundee and Pfingsten Roads. These improvements will include the construction of right turn lanes on Dundee Road at Landwehr Road and a right turn lane on eastbound Dundee at Pfingsten Road. Similarly, a right turn lane will be installed on southbound Pfingsten Road at Dundee. Crews will also upgrade the lighting and traffic signals and replace any removed sidewalk. Utility companies continued working to locate and move their utilities in preparation for construction this week requiring intermittent lane closures while work is on-going.

SHERMER ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) began resurfacing a section of Shermer Road, between Dundee and Waukegan roads this week. In addition to resurfacing, IDOT plans to add shoulders, re-grade adjacent ditches and relocate a number of utilities, including the ComEd, AT&T, Comcast and Nicor lines. The addition of storm sewers is also included in the project to improve the area's drainage.. Please contact IDOT at 773/853-0046 with questions or concerns about the project.

WEEK OF July 4, 2016

SAT.	7/2	9am-noon	Large Electronics Recycling – Behind the Village Hall
MON:	7/4		Independence Day – Village Hall Closed visit www.northbrook4thofJuly.com for full schedule
TUES.	7/5	7am-3pm	Large Electronics Recycling – Behind the Village Hall
		7:30 p.m.	Plan Commission Meeting – Board Room
WED.	7/6		No Meetings
THURS.	7/7	7:00 p.m.	Arts Commission – Terrace Room
		7:00 p.m.	Community Relations Commission – Canceled
FRI.	7/8		No Meetings