



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: April 21, 2017

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF April 17, 2017

JOINT MEETING OF THE ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMISSION AND ELECTRICAL COMMISSION

On Thursday, April 13, the Northbrook Architectural Control Commission (ACC) and Electrical Commission met jointly to review a request by The Finger Companies to allow the use of alternate building construction materials in the new apartment building to be constructed at 1000 Skokie Boulevard. The ACC members focused on the plumbing materials and the Electrical Commission members focused on the proposed wiring system. Commission members outlined some of their general concerns with the proposed materials. The two groups agreed to study the information presented and to reconvene and make a formal recommendation to the Board of Trustees. Following the discussion of the 1000 Skokie Boulevard materials, the joint meeting ended and the ACC reconvened to review the other items on their agenda.

The ACC reviewed the proposed final building designs and landscape materials for the Gateway Townhouse development proposed by Jacobs Companies, LLC along Shermer Road. The Commissioners reviewed in detail each of the proposed building elevations and materials, as well as the fence design, landscaping and retaining wall elements. Ultimately, the ACC voted to recommend approval of the final plan and design elements by a vote of 3-1-1, with one member voting no and one member abstaining. The Plan Commission will review the townhouse development on Tuesday, May 2.

Following the discussion, the ACC then reviewed and approved elevations for four new single-family homes. The next regular meeting of the ACC will be held on Thursday, May 11.

SCHOOL LOCK DOWN DRILL

On Tuesday, April 18, members of the Investigations Unit and school liaison officers participated in a lockdown drill at Meadowbrook School. The officers assisted school principals, administrators, teachers and students in the exercises. The detectives discussed the reasons for lockdowns, and what can or might be expected in terms of police response. Such drills are held periodically with all Northbrook schools.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY

On Saturday, April 15, Community Relations Supervisor Dan Petka, Sergeant Dave Sprague and Animal Control Officer Gina Manski attended the Park District's Safety Town. A police squad car, motorcycle and the Animal Control vehicle were on display.

THIS WEEKEND - NORTHBROOK'S EARTH AND ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION ON SATURDAY!

The Village of Northbrook and the Northbrook Park District invite all to celebrate Earth and Arbor Day in Northbrook on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Northbrook residents are encouraged to participate in the special recycling collection and document shredding event, which opens at 8:30am, in the west side commuter parking lot by the METRA Station, near the corner of Walters and Shermer Roads in downtown Northbrook. Clean-up teams meet at 8:30 a.m. on the Village Green. Each team will be assigned specific areas to collect debris and windblown trash. Between 9:00 a.m. and noon, the Northbrook Village Green will be bustling with excitement as everyone enjoys the exhibits, information on living green, demonstrations, give-a-ways, free tree seedlings, pony rides, children's activities and entertainment.

The event takes place rain or shine on the Village Green, at the corner of Shermer and Meadow Roads in Downtown Northbrook. Bring the Family! For a schedule of events and list of recyclable items, visit www.northbrook.il.us or call 847 664-4017.

THIS WEEKEND - CELEBRATION OF CULTURES FAIRE AND FILM FESTIVAL ON SUNDAY

The Celebration of Cultures Faire will be held on Sunday, April 23, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the North Suburban YMCA (2705 Techny Road). Enjoy dancing, singing, food and art and experience the diverse cultural backgrounds of the North Shore. Additionally, on Wednesdays throughout April, the Northbrook Public Library will be showing foreign films at 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. For more information on the Faire, visit www.northbrook.il.us/celebrateculture. For more information on the Film Festival, visit www.northbrook.info.



LONE TREE WATER MAIN PROJECT

This week, the Village's contractor continued work on the Lone Tree Subdivision water main replacement project. The contractor completed installation of the water main services on Tamarind Drive and completed the installation of the water main on Bayberry Drive. Next week, the contractor will work on storm sewer repairs and water services installation on Bayberry Drive and will continue installing water main on Sorrel Drive.

DUNDEE ROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

This week, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) continued construction at the intersections of Pfingsten and Dundee Roads and Landwehr and Dundee Roads. As part of this work, crews focused on the southbound right-turn lane on Pfingsten at Dundee Roads, as well as traffic signal and street light installation at both locations. The contractor framed and poured sidewalk this week as well. Staff anticipates that crews will begin grinding the asphalt and start paving next week.

METRA STATION IMPROVEMENTS

Work continues on the Metra Station improvement project. Earlier this week, the Village's contractor completed work on the station's south side exterior concrete stairs, entryway and ADA ramp. Corresponding work began on the north side and will continue into next week. Window replacement will begin following the completion of this work.



Please keep in mind this construction may create slight delays, so commuters are advised to allow enough time to make their trains while work is being completed. Questions regarding the project should be directed to the Public Works Department at 847-272-4711.

CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT INFRASTRUCTURE AND STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS

Work on the Central Business District infrastructure and streetscape project continued this week. The Village's contractor continued to remove and pour concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter in the area generally bounded by Meadow Road, Shermer Road and Cherry Lane and Church Street. The contractor also began installation of temporary traffic signals at the intersection of Shermer Road and Church Street, as well as temporary street lighting on Shermer Road (between Church Street and Angle Avenue).

Next week, the contractor will continue concrete work in the same area. While this work progresses, there will be intermittent lane closures which will require on-street parking to be blocked adjacent to the sections of curb and gutter or sidewalk being removed. Installation of the temporary traffic signals at the intersection of Shermer Road and Church Street and temporary street lighting on Shermer Road will also be completed the week of April 24, weather dependent.



LEE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The Village is in the process of reconstructing and converting Lee Road, between Lake-Cook Road and Williamsburg Drive, from concrete to asphalt. This week, the Village's contractor began saw-cutting the concrete pavement and installing new storm sewer. Next week, crews will construct new curb and gutter, sidewalk and driveway aprons. Although the road is open for two-way traffic, motorists should be aware that there may be lane shifts and reduced lanes during this time.



ASPHALT STREET REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The Village's 2017 asphalt street patching and rehabilitation program began this week with asphalt patching. Patching was completed on Woodlawn Road (between Penfold Place and Shermer Road); Maple Avenue (at the intersection with Briarwood Lane), and Shermer Road (between Techny Road and Willow Road). The patching is anticipated to be completed by Monday, April 24. Following the completion of the patching, full roadway asphalt rehabilitation will begin on streets identified for this year's program. This work is scheduled to start in mid-May.

SEWER LINING PROGRAM

This week, the Village’s contractor began sanitary and storm sewer lining. Sewer lining, which is performed by inserting a plastic liner into existing pipes, extends the serviceable life of the sewer for 75 to 100 years without any excavation and with minimal service disruption to the surrounding area. By the end of this year’s project, approximately 5,500 feet of sanitary lines and 1,400 feet of storm lines will have been lined. See the chart below for sewer lining locations.

April 20, 1917	Dorset Drive Downing Street
April 21, 1917	Shermer Road Wendy Drive
April 24, 1917	Woodhill Drive Waukegan Road from Shermer to just south of Walters Avenue
April 25, 1917	Ferndale Avenue Waukegan Road from Shermer Road to just south of Walters Avenue
April 26, 1917	Walters Avenue
April 27, 1917	Waukegan Road from Shermer Road to just south of Walters Avenue

CITGO STATION AT PFINGSTEN & DUNDEE TO CLOSE

The Department of Development & Planning Services was notified that the Citgo gas station, at the northwest corner of Dundee and Pfingsten, will be permanently closing. The underground fuel tanks, canopy and pumps are all to be removed within the next several weeks. The corner property is approximately one half acre in size and is zoned C-2 Commercial. There are no immediate plans for a replacement use on this property.



WEEK OF April 24, 2017

- MON. 4/24** 7:30 p.m. ZBA - Board Room
- TUES. 4/25** 7:30 a.m. ICDC - **Canceled**
- 7:30 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting – Board Room
- WED. 4/26** **No Meetings**
- THURS. 4/27** **No Meetings**
- FRI. 4/28** **No Meetings**