



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: April 22, 2016

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF April 18, 2016

NORTHBROOK PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

The Northbrook Plan Commission held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 19. The Commission reviewed the following items:

- PCD 16-02: 3000 DUNDEE – NOGGIN BUILDERS. The Plan Commission adopted a resolution recommending approval of a special permit for a children's educational facility on the Subject Property. The Village Board will consider an ordinance approving the requested special permit at its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 26.
- PCD-16-03: 5 REVERE – UBS WALL SIGN SPECIAL PERMIT. The Plan Commission held a public hearing on a request for a special permit to allow a wall sign (the top of which would be in excess of 20 feet from grade) for UBS on the northeast façade of the existing multi-story office building at 5 Revere Drive. The Commission found the proposed sign to be appropriate and adopted a resolution recommending approval of the wall sign. The Village Board will consider an ordinance approving the requested special permit at its regular meeting on Tuesday, May 10.

YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING

The Youth Commission held its regular meeting on Wednesday, April 20. The Commission continued preparations for the 7th Annual Youth Film Fest which will take place in the Northbrook Public Library Auditorium on Monday, June 13. If you know of any area youth who are interested in submitting their original work, please pass on this great opportunity and have them visit www.northbrook.info/youth-film.

Members also finalized a presentation of their future vision for the Commission. The presentation will be shared with President Frum and Trustee Israel at the Commission's next regular meeting on Wednesday, May 18, at 7:00pm.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

The Environmental Quality Commission held their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 21. Staff provided a brief report on the Earth & Arbor Day Exhibition and Recycling event that took place on April 16. The Commission discussed plans for the Monarch Project. The next meeting of the Environmental Quality Commission is scheduled for Thursday, May 19.

EARTH AND ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

The Village, Park District and Northfield Township Road District held the annual Earth & Arbor Day Celebration on Saturday, April 16 from 8:30am to noon in and around Village Green Park and the Metra Station. As in prior years, the event featured a recycling center, exhibition, child-friendly activities and volunteering. In total, over 2,000 residents dropped off items to be recycled, including approximately 40,000 pounds of electronic waste, and roughly, 1,000 visited the exhibition and Go Green Northbrook's "Earth Day 4 Kids" event. Additionally, a number of individuals and groups, including many Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, volunteered to clean up in the community. The Village's Green Team thanks all who helped make the event possible, including the Public Works Department, which assisted in setup and ran the recycling center; the Fire Department's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), which provided traffic control at the recycling center, and the Police Department, which managed traffic on Shermer Road.



CELEBRATION OF CULTURES

The Community Relations Commission held its inaugural Celebration of Cultures event on Sunday, April 17 from noon to 2pm at the North Suburban YMCA (2705 Techny). Representatives from 11 different cultures attended and shared art, music, food and dance with the roughly 400 attendees at the event. The Celebration's Planning Subcommittee will meet on Monday, April 25 at 6:30pm to discuss the event and have preliminary discussions for next year.



NORTHBROOK EAST STORMWATER PROJECT

On Wednesday, April 20, the Village of Northbrook held an open house to provide information to the public regarding the Northbrook East Stormwater Management Facility, which will be constructed this year. The Open House provided an opportunity for the public to ask questions and express concerns about the project, which includes the construction of a 4.7 acre foot detention basin and storm sewers to improve flooding conditions in the Midway/Whitfield/Dell intersection area. Ten Northbrook residents/households attended the open house.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

In honor of 2015's Illinois Rail Safety Week, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police presented the Northbrook Police Department with a plaque thanking Northbrook for their continued participation in this program. Northbrook was one of twenty agencies, out of the four hundred participating statewide, honored by the ILACP Traffic Committee.

On Tuesday, April 19, Police School Liaison Detective Meents and Community Relations Supervisor Petka presented a seminar on *Internet Safety and Cyberbullying* to 33 middle school students at Countryside Montessori Middle School. Both students and faculty found the information interesting and asked many follow-up questions.



On Thursday, April 21, Police Chief Wernick gave a presentation to about 50 students at Glenbrook North (GBN) High School focused on sharing his expertise on forensic science. There are two elective Forensic Science classes on the curriculum at GBN. The Chief discussed a murder case that the North Regional Major Crimes Task Force investigated and solved from past years. He also shared his professional experiences in investigating homicide cases and the importance of forensic science applications in solving cases.

Staff from both the Police Communications Center and RED Center celebrated Telecommunicators' Week from April 10 through April 16. Telecommunicators play a vital role in the protection of public health, safety and the preservation of law and order. Telecommunicators access, monitor and disseminate information of critical importance to police and fire personnel 24 hours a day. Telecommunicators also provide the pivotal link between citizens and the police and fire departments. As part of this year's recognition, Northbrook Telecommunicator Brian Laarveld received the 2015 Dispatcher of the Year award. Laarveld will be formally recognized at the Police Department's Award Ceremony scheduled for later this year. Thank you to all the Telecommunicators and congratulations to Mr. Laarveld.

NORTHBROOK FIRE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS ATTEND FDIC

Members of the Northbrook Fire Department attended the annual Fire Department Instructor Conference (FDIC) in Indianapolis, Indiana, this past week. This conference is the largest fire service training conference in the United States and is also an international destination for foreign firefighters. Representatives from 53 nations attended this year's event. Chief Torres, Division Chief Tim Cassidy, Lieutenant David Crawford, Fire Apparatus Engineer Tom Schaul, Firefighter-Paramedic Mark Thompson, and Firefighter-Paramedic Brian Larson attended various training classes and presentations at this conference. Additionally, Larson served as a presenter on managing emergencies involving heavy machinery and farm equipment.

WESCOTT PARK PROJECT UPDATE

The Village's contractor continues work on the Wescott Park project. This past week, crews continued excavation to allow for the installation of new storm traps (pictured right). To date, the Village's contractor has installed 396 of the total 1,722 pieces the project will use. Deliveries and installations will continue as the project progresses.



Beginning on Monday, May 9, crews will begin installing a new, 42-inch storm sewer main along Farnsworth Lane. The construction will start across from Wescott Park and move west along Farnsworth Lane. Excavations for the installation of the pipe will require restoration of sidewalks, driveways, and sections of the roadway.

NICOR GAS MAIN UPDATE

Nicor continued gas main replacement in the White Plains and Northbrook Knolls subdivisions in the area bordered by Cherry, Greenbriar, Walters and Western. Beginning next week, Nicor will be replacing the gas services in this area. Nicor continued framing and pouring sidewalks in the area of Dundee, Walters, Western and Pflugsten and will continue with restoration work in the upcoming weeks.

SHERMER ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will be resurfacing the section of Shermer Road between Dundee and Waukegan this summer. In addition to resurfacing, IDOT plans to add shoulders, regrade adjacent ditches and relocate a number of utilities, including the ComEd, AT&T, Comcast and Nicor lines. Storm sewers will also be added to improve the area’s drainage. At this time, both AT&T and Nicor continue their relocating work in the area. ComEd continued moving utility poles this week. Please contact IDOT at 773/853-0046 with questions or concerns about the project.

FIRE STATION 12 PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS

This week, the Village’s contractor placed asphalt in the parking areas at Fire Station 12 (1840 Shermer Road). Next week, joint sealing and striping will take place and Public Works staff will begin completing final restoration and landscaping. The project is expected to be complete by the end of the April.

2016 WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

As part of the 2016 water main improvement program, the water mains on Harris and Banyan Drives are being upgraded to new, 8-inch mains. The Village’s contractor, Lenny Hoffman Excavating, recently completed the installation on Harris and began pressure testing the new main segment. Next week, crews will finish work on both roads.

2016 ASPHALT STREET PATCHING AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM

The Village’s asphalt street patching and rehabilitation program will begin on Monday, April 25. The project will start with asphalt street patching at various locations in the Village, followed by asphalt street rehabilitation (grinding and resurfacing of roads), and lastly, a second phase of asphalt street patching. The Village’s contractor, Brother’s Asphalt Paving, will be patching from the west side of town to the east with all of the surface patching expected to be complete within a week. The asphalt resurfacing work for Wood Oak Glen Subdivision is expected to start on Monday, May 2, with completion of all asphalt work expected by Friday, July 8.

WEEK OF April 25, 2016

MON:	4/25	6:30 p.m.	CRC Cultural Celebration Follow- up – Shermer Study
		7:30 p.m.	ZBA - Cancelled
TUES.	4/26	7:30 a.m.	ICDC – Terrace Room
		7: 30 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Board Room
WED.	4/27	7:30 a.m.	Foreign Fire Insurance Board – Station 11
		7:00 p.m.	Northbrook Cares Subcommittee Meeting – Terrace Room
THURS.	4/28		No Meetings
FRI.	4/29		No Meetings