



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff
COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads
FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager
DATE: September 28, 2018
SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF September 24, 2018

PLEIN AIR PAINTING FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND

On Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30, enjoy the Weekend Art Show & Sale at Village Green Park - Saturday, Noon-5pm & Sunday, 9am-5pm. In addition to painting demonstrations and a painting competition, there will be live music and artwork on display and for sale. Visit www.northbrookarts.org for event schedule and merchant specials.



REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

On Tuesday, September 25, the Board of Trustees held a regular meeting. During the meeting, three new Police Officers were sworn in, Sean Barry, Alan Smith, and Amanda Wrann. President Frum acknowledged a proclamation posthumously honoring former Village President Lucinda Kasperson, the North Suburban YMCA 50th Anniversary, October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and the appointment of Becky Lee to the Environmental Quality Commission.

Under Manager's Report, a representative from ComEd discussed recent outages. Many residents spoke regarding their damages from a power surge that occurred over Labor Day weekend. The Village Board asked ComEd to meet with residents.

Under Consent Agenda, the Board approved a number of resolutions and ordinances including agreements for procurement of SCADA Maintenance Services, improvements to the West Side Reservoir and Pump Station, renewals for a telecommunications and Laserfiche software maintenance contracts, acceptance of staff findings regarding the operation of Providence Farms, LLC (1620 Sunset Ridge Road), and amendments to the Municipal Code to regulate residential composting.



Under Planning and Zoning, the Board heard a preliminary review for an increased fence height at Finger Co. Apartments (1000 Skokie Blvd), review of a request for redevelopment of a portion of Northbrook Court Shopping Center, a Motor Vehicle Dealership (1881 Techny). All were referred to the Plan Commission for further review.

Under Communications and Legislation the Board, directed staff to prepare documents to have the Cook County Earned Sick Leave Ordinance apply to Northbrook for consideration at the October 9 Regular Board of Trustees meeting.

SEPTEMBER 25 ICDC MEETING

On Tuesday, September 25, the Northbrook Industrial & Commercial Development Commission (ICDC) held their regular meeting. During the meeting, the Commission reviewed the Cook County Sick Leave Ordinance and whether or not the Village should have this apply to Northbrook employers. The ICDC was also briefed on the recent discussions held by the Northbrook Economic Development Committee (EDC) concerning a yearlong public education campaign on the importance of economic development to the community. Finally, the Commission discussed their work program for the upcoming year, it was agreed that they should continue work on Zoning Code amendments, but to also begin looking at marketing and branding initiatives to promote Northbrook businesses.

NORTHBROOK YOUTH COMMISSION

On Thursday, September 27, the Northbrook Youth Commission held a Special Meeting. At the meeting, Commissioner Danny Brodson discussed his experience presenting information about the Youth Commission to 8th graders at Wood Oaks and Montessori to encourage younger students to join the Commission. Commissioners discussed a potential schedule for a series of forums on wellness, including digital, emotional, and academic. One new student attended and submitted an application to be a student commissioner. Students interested in joining the Youth Commission are encouraged to visit www.northbrook.il.us/YouthCommission The Commission's next regular meeting is Wednesday, October 17.

100 NEW PARKING SPOTS AVAILABLE AT THE GRAINGER BUILDING BEGINNING MONDAY, OCT. 1

On Monday, October 1, the front lot of the Grainger building (1657 Shermer Road) will be available for public use. The lot's 100 spaces will be open to commuters and those visiting local businesses. There will be no cost to park in the lot for the time being. Overnight parking and commercial truck parking will be prohibited. For any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 847-272-4711.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Early Monday morning, September 24, Northbrook's Major Case Assistance Team (MCAT) representative was called to Skokie to investigate a car versus motorcycle accident.

On Thursday afternoon, September 27, Officer Humphries and K9 Pongo, pictured right, with Glenbrook North School Liaison Officer Seiler, gave a demonstration to GBN's Forensic Class. The students, teachers, and administrators asked questions about Northbrook's K9 program and watched Pongo perform a variety of training exercises.



ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER

The Village will begin Administrative Hearings for vehicular standing, parking, and compliance violations in November. The Administrative Hearings, an alternative to having to attend a hearing at Cook County Circuit Court, will be held in the Board Room at Village Hall. The Village has hired Susan Brunner as its Administrative Hearing Officer. Ms. Brunner currently serves as a hearing officer in Evanston and Oak Park.

NORTHBROOK’S FINEST VERSUS UPS AIRBUS A300

On Saturday, September 22, the ultimate tug-of-war competition for Special Olympics Illinois was held, at O’Hare International Airport. More than 100 teams participated in the event. The event was attended by 3,000 people and over \$186,000 was raised for Special Olympics Illinois. Northbrook’s team,



consisting of Roger Adkins, Don Anderson, Angie Baiocchi, Brendan Cain, Curtis Cornier, Marc Fainman, Todd Feingold, Jamie Friel, Ashley Furtek, Chip Hulne, Matt Johnson, Brian Laarveld, Chris Lacina, Mike Mareci, Nichole Ochab, Jake Pawlicki, Matt Placek, Brandon Simmons, Mike Tadley, and Adam Worthington, raised \$6,192 and pulled the plane 12 feet in 10.16 seconds. Northbrook’s team was joined by two Special Olympic athletes. A big thank you to these participants and Doracely Chavez and Millie Gomez, Northbrook’s coordinators of the event.

WESTERN AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT & RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

On Saturday, September 22, the Village’s contractor paved the final course of asphalt on the main drive lanes of Western Avenue. This week, the Village’s contractor completed the remaining asphalt paving work required for this project, including paving each of the intersection approaches on Western between Techny Road and Oak Avenue (pictured right). Next week, crews will begin sod placement on the parkways.



For more information on this project, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/western.

FIRE STATION 10 DRIVEWAY REPLACEMENT PROJECT

This week, the Village’s contractor completed the first phase of the project. Next week, the Fire Station’s parking lot will be intermittently closed as crews complete work. Visitors may park in the Public Works Department’s parking lot at 655 Huehl Road.



DEHNE ROAD/GLENDALE AVENUE, WOODLAWN ROAD, AND ELM RIDGE DRIVE STORMWATER PROJECTS

This week, the Village's contractor continued placing new storm sewer on the west side of Glendale Avenue from Bellevue Place to Asbury Road (pictured right). Next week, staff anticipates that crews will continue placing storm sewer on Glendale and begin patching any asphalt pavement and repairing any driveways that were disturbed by project activities.



Nicor's contractor also began relocating gas mains to resolve any conflicts with the Woodlawn Road and Elm Ridge Drive stormwater projects. Staff anticipates this will continue next week. Once these conflicts are relocated, work will begin on both projects.

The Woodlawn Road project involves adding inlet structures, regrading ditches, and replacing damaged or non-standard culverts on the 2000 and 2100 blocks of Woodlawn Road (between Shermer Road and Penfold Place). The goal of this work is to enable stormwater to better flow to Shermer Road where it can be transported via the storm sewer infrastructure to the West Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River. During the work on Woodlawn, the road will be closed to through traffic during the day, though residents will be able to access their driveways throughout the work zone at all times.

The Elm Ridge Drive project involves replacing the existing culvert that transports stormwater underneath Elm Ridge Drive between Canterbury and Woodland Drives. Construction on Elm Ridge will result in the closure of the street at the culvert's location between Canterbury and Woodland Drives while this work is occurring. Residents will have access to their driveways throughout the duration of the project.

For more information on these projects, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/2018stormwater.

1000 SKOKIE BOULEVARD ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

This week, the contractor installed the pavement sublayers in the northbound lanes of Skokie Boulevard and worked on parkway grading, driveway apron transitions, and sidewalk installation. Next week, the final asphalt layer will be placed in the northbound lanes of Skokie. After this work is completed, all traffic lanes will be shifted to the east to allow crews to begin widening the pavement on the western side of Skokie. As a reminder, this work is being completed as part of the 1000 Skokie Boulevard development and will include pavement widening on Skokie and installation of a dedicated right-turn lane from Sunset Ridge Road to southbound Skokie.

CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT INFRASTRUCTURE AND STREETScape PROJECT

This week, the Village's contractor completed all erosion control work in the river (pictured right) and removed the temporary dam. Next week, crews will set new precast beams on the existing bridge abutments and begin removing and replacing the concrete road approaches to the bridge.



For more information on this project, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/shermerbridge. For regular e-mailed updates on this project, please subscribe to the Shermer Road Bridge Replacement project Notify Me list at www.northbrook.il.us/notifyme.

2018 SIDEWALK REHABILITATION PROJECT

The 2018 sidewalk rehabilitation project began this week with Public Works crews pruning tree roots that are pushing up sections of sidewalk. The Village’s contractor is expected to begin the removal and replacement process of failed sidewalk squares the week of Monday, October 1. Residents impacted by the work have been notified by letter. Please see the map to the right for the sidewalk rehabilitation locations.



WEEK OF October 1, 2018

FRI.	9/28	5:30-8 p.m.	Nocturne Night – Downtown Northbrook Arts Event
SAT/SUN.	9/29-30	Noon – 5 p.m.	2nd Annual Plein Air Painting Festival-Village Green Park
MON.	10/1	No Meetings	
TUES.		7:30 p.m.	Plan Commission – Board Room
WED.	10/3	1:18 p.m.	FEMA’s NATIONWIDE ALERT TEST
		6:30 p.m.	Public Works Committee Meeting – Terrace Room
THURS.	10/4	7:00 p.m.	Arts Commission – Terrace Room
		7:00 p.m.	Community Relations Commission- Library
FRI.	10/5	No Meetings	