



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: January 18, 2019

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF JANUARY 14, 2019

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

On Tuesday, January 15, the Plan Commission held its regular meeting. At the meeting, the Commission held a public hearing for a special permit for Glenview Blaze Baseball (1880 Holste Road). The Commission recommended approval, which will be considered at the Village Board meeting on January 22. The Commission also conducted a public hearing and recommended approval for Banjo's Self Dog Wash (527 Dundee Road), which will be considered at the Village Board meeting on February 12.

The Commission was presented with a brief summary of the history of Northbrook Court and its current zoning. Lastly, staff discussed various enforcement and tracking mechanisms for special permits and business licenses to eliminate businesses operating without proper zoning approvals.

The next Plan Commission meeting is Tuesday, February 5.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION

On Thursday, January 17, the Environmental Quality Commission held its regular monthly meeting. At the meeting, the Commission continued their discussion of a single-use plastic bag ban and incremental steps that may be taken by the Village before implementing an outright ban. The Commission also continued their discussion of neonicotinoid pesticides and identified the development of educational materials on responsible pesticide use as the next step. When completed, the educational materials will be distributed to residents and landscapers in Northbrook. Lastly, the Commission discussed preparations for the annual Earth/Arbor Day Celebration scheduled for April 13.

The next Environmental Quality Commission meeting is Thursday, February 21.

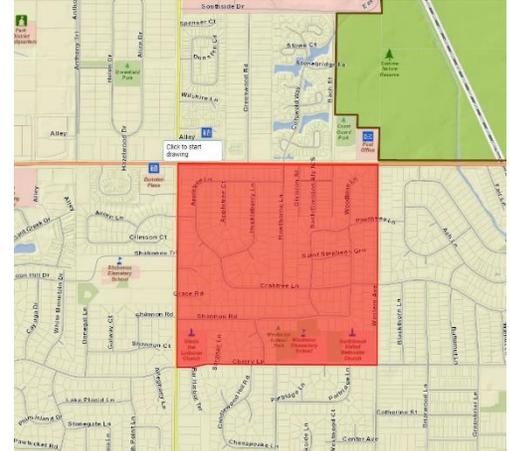
ON-STREET PARKING BAN AFTER 2" INCHES OF SNOW

The Village of Northbrook bans on-street parking on public streets after 2" inches of snow. The purpose of this ban is to allow snow removal equipment to safely and efficiently remove snow from roadways. Vehicles parked on roadways during winter storms make it difficult for snow and ice control equipment to maneuver, increases the chances of accidents, and cause snow to be left on the street after the vehicle has been moved. Vehicles remaining on the street after 2 inches of snow will be ticketed and may be towed. For more information on snow and ice control, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/snow.

PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING PROGRAM

This week, the Village's contractor continued trimming along and near Shannon Road. Next week, crews will work westward toward Pfungsten Road.

Each year, the Village of Northbrook trims parkway trees using contractual assistance. Trees are trimmed to prevent unnecessary damage during storms, protect pedestrians and motorists from low hanging branches, promote the health of the tree, and lastly to ensure that the tree is aesthetically pleasing. Trees are trimmed during their dormant periods, approximately between October and April, to minimize trauma to the tree.



MELANIE LANE FIRE

On Wednesday, January 16, at approximately 6:20 a.m., Northbrook Police and Fire responded to a report of an explosion and fire at 2551 Melanie Lane. Upon arrival, the crews found the home engulfed in flames. The fire extended to the neighboring homes, which were 20-30 feet apart on either side. All the residents were accounted for outside their homes after self-evacuation and fortunately, there were no injuries.



Due to the extent of the fire, there was an elevated alarm, which brought in mutual aid assistance from approximately 12 area Fire Departments. Consistent with protocol, after the fire was extinguished, representatives from Northbrook's Development and Planning Services Department responded to the scene to determine structural safety. The home at 2551 Melanie Lane was destroyed in its entirety and the neighboring homes sustained very serious fire damage as well.

Representatives from the American Red Cross, as well as the Northbrook Police Counseling Services Department also responded to offer assistance to the residents affected. The exact cause of the explosion and subsequent fire remains under investigation.

COFFEE WITH A COP

On Wednesday, January 16, several representatives, including Police Chief Roger Adkins, greeted customers at Big Apple Bagel during Northbrook's first 'Coffee with a Cop' event.



During the 'Coffee with a Cop' event, residents and local business employees can meet some of Northbrook's finest in a casual atmosphere and chat over a cup of coffee. Attend the next 'Coffee with a Cop' on Thursday, February 21, from 7 to 9am, at Dunkin Donuts, at the corner of Dundee and Pfungsten Roads. Who knows, you may get to meet Pongo, Northbrook's K9 officer!



TRI-STATE ACCIDENT

On Thursday, January 17, at approximately 3:05 p.m., Northbrook Fire responded to a report of an accident on the southbound Tri-State at Willow Road. Upon arrival, crews found an SUV had rear-ended a tractor trailer. One patient with serious injuries was extricated and flown by medical helicopter to a Level 1 trauma center in Park Ridge. Illinois State Police are handling the investigation.

WEEK OF JANUARY 21, 2019

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| MON. | 1/21 | | Martin Luther King Jr Day |
| TUES. | 1/22 | | 7:30 a.m. ICDC – Canceled |
| | | 6:30 p.m. | Public Works Committee – Terrace Room |
| | | 7:30 p.m. | Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – Board Room |
| WED. | 1/23 | 7:00 p.m. | Rescheduled Youth Commission – Terrace Room |
| THURS. | 1/24 | 7:30 a.m. | Foreign Fire Insurance Board Meeting – Station 11 |
| FRI. | 1/25 | | No Meetings |